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# Superconductors and Migdal-Eliashberg theory

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- Superconductivity milestones
- BCS theory of superconductivity
- Nambu-Gor'kov formalism and Migdal-Eliashberg theory
- Density functional theory for superconductors
- Examples from calculations
- Outlook

# Superconductivity Milestones

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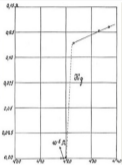
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CSH<sub>x</sub>  
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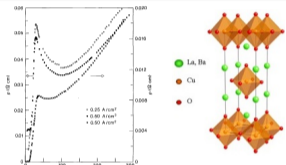
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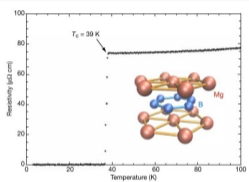
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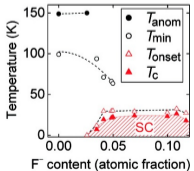
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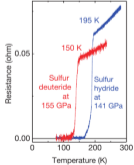
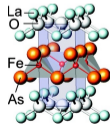
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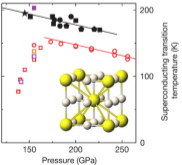
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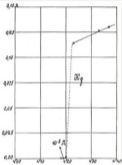
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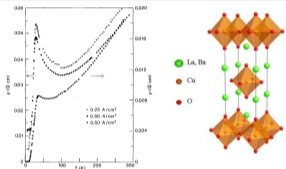
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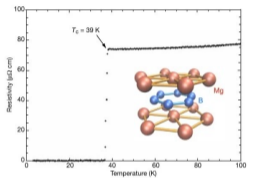
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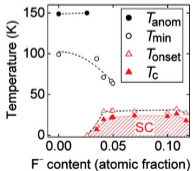
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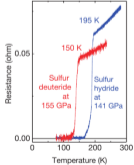
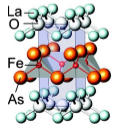
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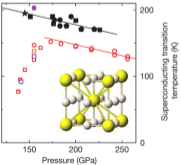
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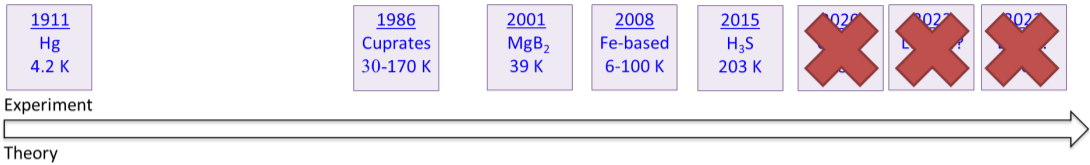
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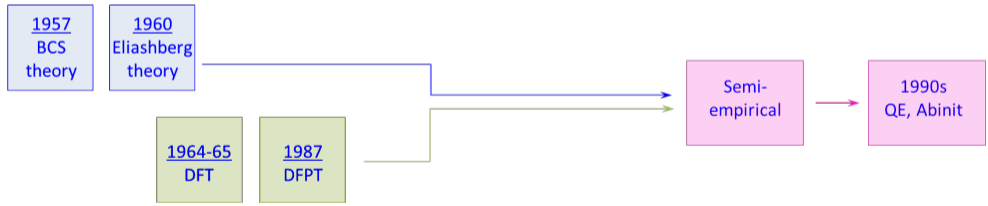
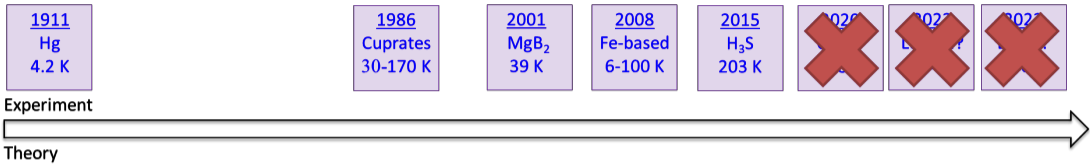
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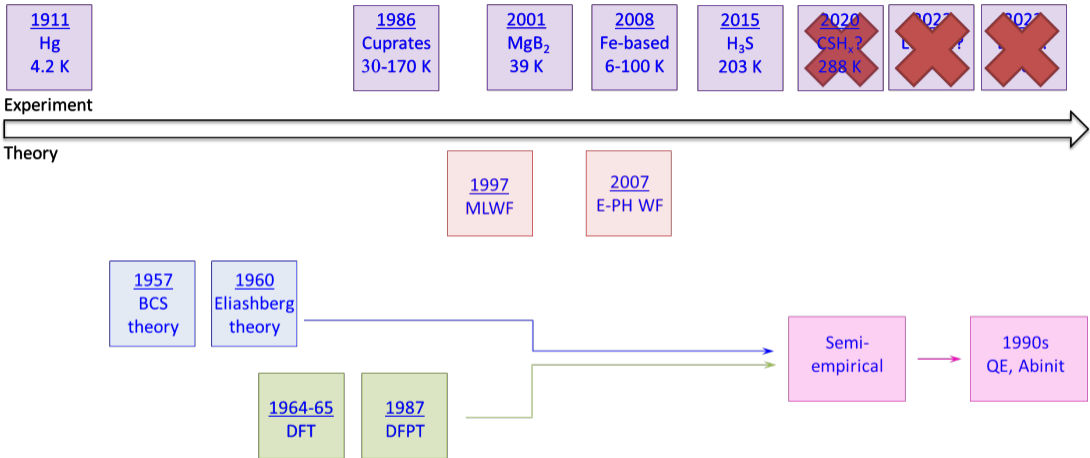
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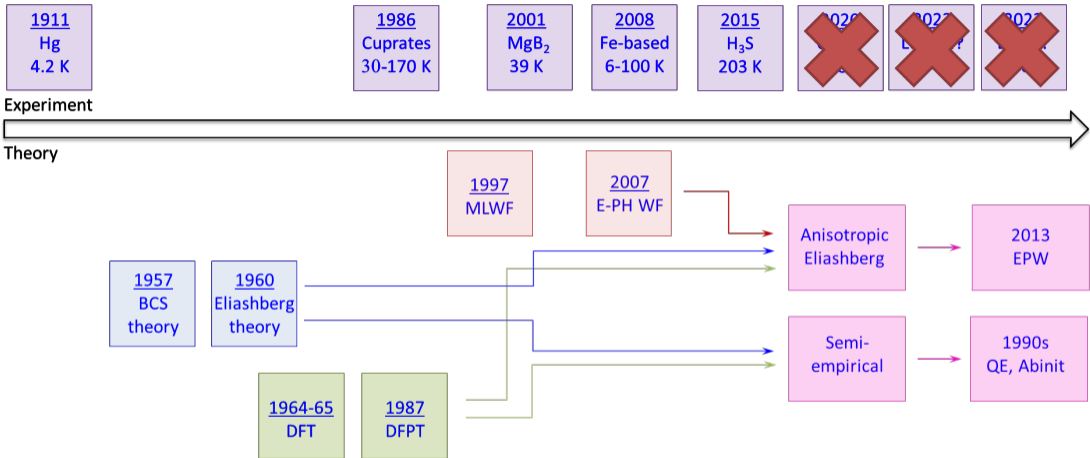


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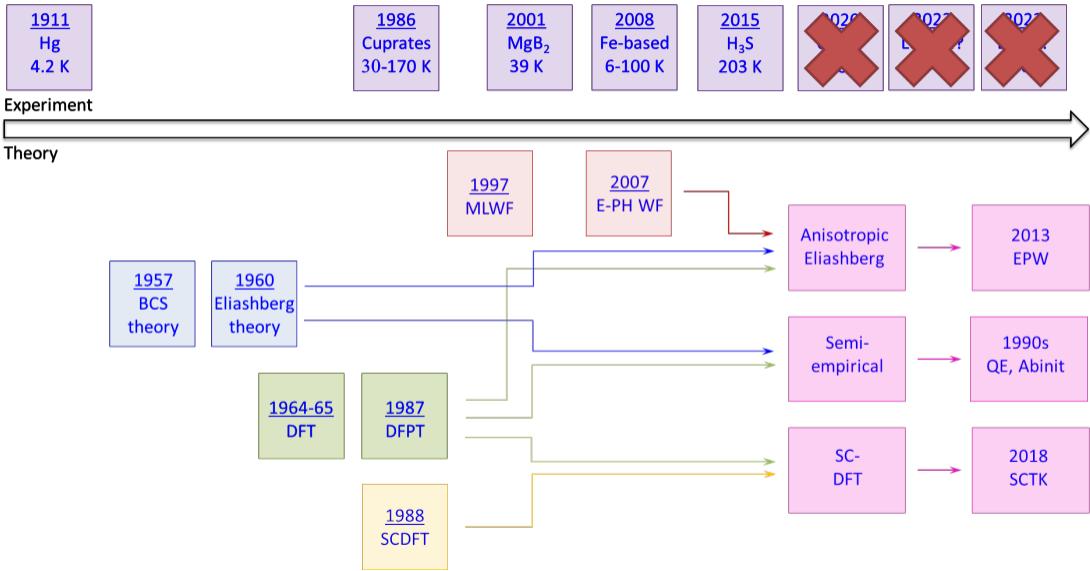




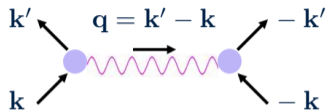
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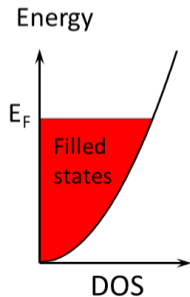
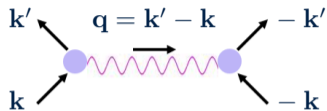


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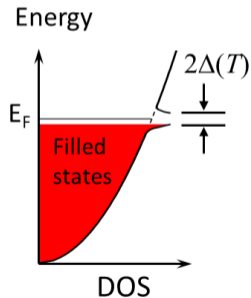
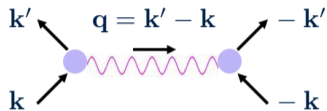
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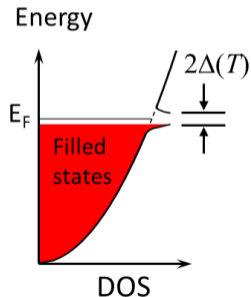
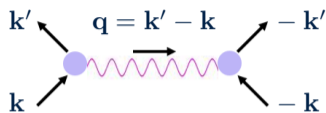
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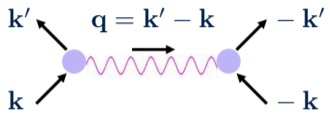
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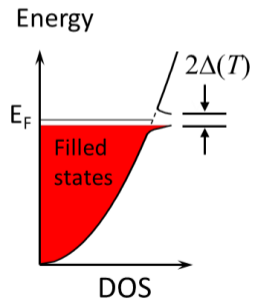
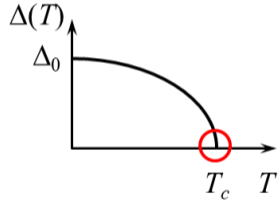
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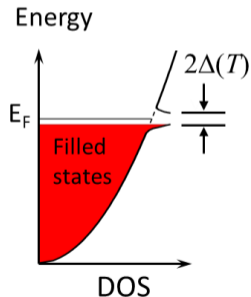
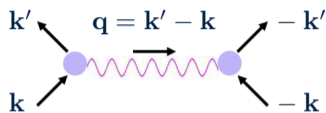
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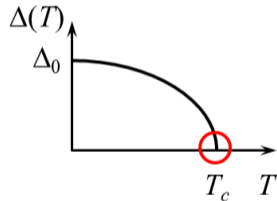
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- describes in detail the phenomenology of superconductivity
- is a descriptive theory, material-independent  $\rightarrow 2\Delta_0 = 3.53k_B T_c$
- does not account for the retardation of the e-ph interaction

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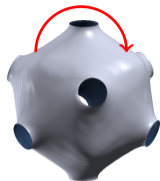
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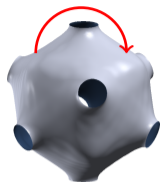
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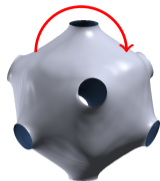
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- can be easily calculated (e.g., QE, Abinit)
- works reasonably well for isotropic superconductors
- fails for multi-band and/or anisotropic superconductors
- approximates the Coulomb interaction through  $\mu_c^*$

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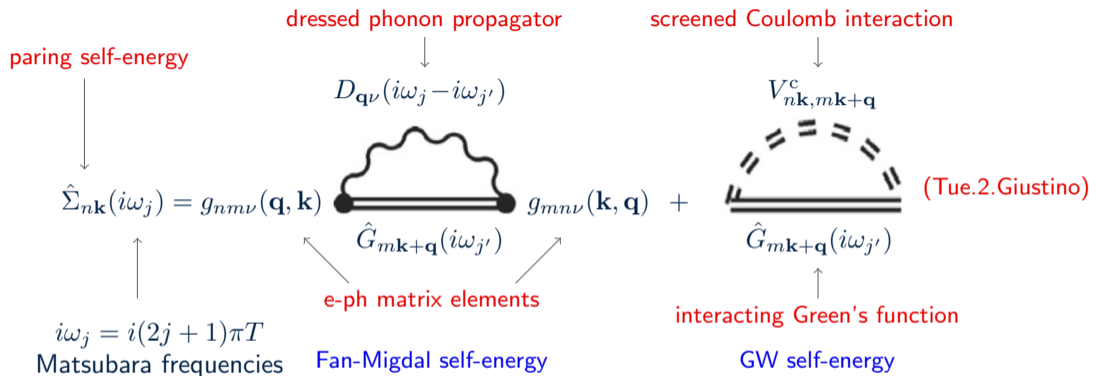
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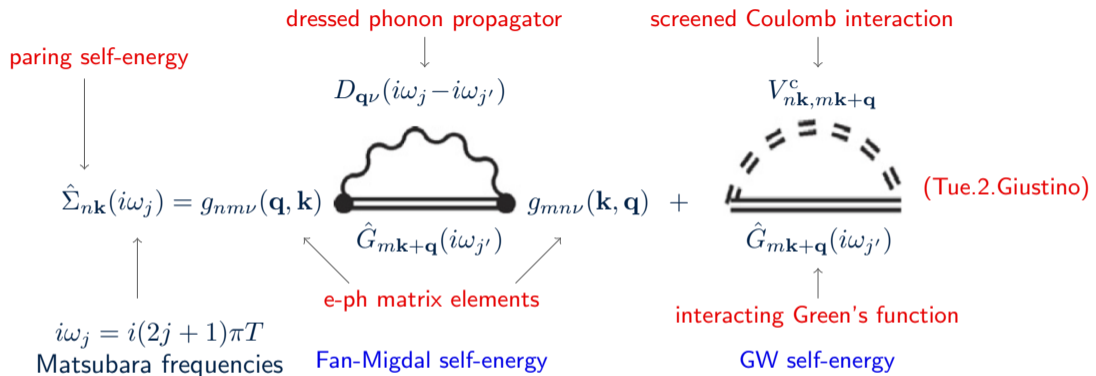
where  $i\omega_j = i(2j + 1)\pi T$  ( $j$  integer) are Matsubara frequencies and  $T$  is the temperature.

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## Migdal's theorem

e-ph vertex corrections are neglected assuming that the neglected terms are of the order of  $(m_e/M)^{1/2} \propto \omega_D/\epsilon_F$ .


# Migdal-Eliashberg approximation

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anisotropic e-ph  
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interaction

$$V_{n\mathbf{k}, m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}^{\text{e-ph}}(i\omega_j) = \sum_{\nu} |g_{mn\nu}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q})|^2 D_{\mathbf{q}\nu}^{(0)}(i\omega_j) = - \frac{\lambda_{n\mathbf{k}, m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}(\omega_j)}{N_{\text{F}}}$$

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# Migdal-Eliashberg approximation

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- Diagonal elements are the **normal state Green's functions**  $G_{n\mathbf{k}}(i\omega_j)$  and describe single-particle electronic excitations in the normal state.
- Off-diagonal elements are the **anomalous Green's functions**  $F_{n\mathbf{k}}(i\omega_j)$  and describe Cooper pairs amplitudes in the superconducting state.

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Equating the scalar coefficients of the Pauli matrices leads to the anisotropic Migdal-Eliashberg equations.

# Anisotropic Migdal-Eliashberg equations on imaginary axis: FBW

$$Z_{n\mathbf{k}}(i\omega_j) = 1 - \frac{T}{\omega_j} \sum_{mj'} \int \frac{d\mathbf{q}}{\Omega_{\text{BZ}}} \frac{\omega_{j'} Z_{m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}(i\omega_{j'})}{\Theta_{m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}(i\omega_{j'})} V_{n\mathbf{k},m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}^{\text{e-ph}}(i\omega_j - i\omega_{j'})$$

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$$N_e = \sum_n \int \frac{d\mathbf{k}}{\Omega_{\text{BZ}}} \left[ 1 - 2T \sum_j \frac{(\epsilon_{n\mathbf{k}} - \epsilon_{\text{F}}) + \chi_{n\mathbf{k}}(i\omega_j)}{\Theta_{n\mathbf{k}}(i\omega_j)} \right]$$

# Anisotropic Migdal-Eliashberg equations on imaginary axis: FBW

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- only the off-diagonal contributions of the Coulomb self-energy are retained in order to avoid double counting of Coulomb effects

# Anisotropic Migdal-Eliashberg equations on imaginary axis: FSR

$$Z_{n\mathbf{k}}(i\omega_j) = 1 - \frac{\pi T}{\omega_j} \sum_{mj'} \int \frac{d\mathbf{q}}{\Omega_{\text{BZ}}} \frac{\omega_{j'}}{\sqrt{\omega_{j'}^2 + \Delta_{m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}^2(i\omega_{j'})}} V_{n\mathbf{k},m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}^{\text{e-ph}}(i\omega_j - i\omega_{j'}) \delta(\epsilon_{m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}} - \epsilon_{\text{F}})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_{n\mathbf{k}}(i\omega_j) Z_{n\mathbf{k}}(i\omega_j) &= -\pi T \sum_{mj'} \int \frac{d\mathbf{q}}{\Omega_{\text{BZ}}} \frac{\Delta_{m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}(i\omega_{j'})}{\sqrt{\omega_{j'}^2 + \Delta_{m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}^2(i\omega_{j'})}} \left[ V_{n\mathbf{k},m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}^{\text{e-ph}}(i\omega_j - i\omega_{j'}) + V_{n\mathbf{k},m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}^{\text{c}} \right] \\ &\quad \times \delta(\epsilon_{m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}} - \epsilon_{\text{F}}) \end{aligned}$$

- all quantities are evaluated around the Fermi surface  $\rightarrow \chi_{n\mathbf{k}}(i\omega_j)$  vanishes when integrated on the Fermi surface because it is an odd function of  $\omega_j$
- the electron density of states in the vicinity of the Fermi level is assumed to be constant

# Anisotropic Migdal-Eliashberg equations on imaginary axis: FSR

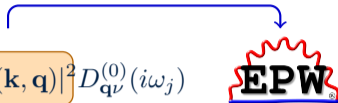
$$Z_{n\mathbf{k}}(i\omega_j) = 1 - \frac{\pi T}{\omega_j} \sum_{mj'} \int \frac{d\mathbf{q}}{\Omega_{\text{BZ}}} \frac{\omega_{j'}}{\sqrt{\omega_{j'}^2 + \Delta_{m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}^2(i\omega_{j'})}} V_{n\mathbf{k},m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}^{\text{e-ph}}(i\omega_j - i\omega_{j'}) \delta(\epsilon_{m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}} - \epsilon_{\text{F}})$$

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# Anisotropic Migdal-Eliashberg equations on imaginary axis

e-ph interaction


$$V_{n\mathbf{k},m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}^{\text{e-ph}}(i\omega_j) = \sum_{\nu} |g_{m\nu}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q})|^2 D_{\mathbf{q}\nu}^{(0)}(i\omega_j)$$


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A logo for EPW (Eliashberg-Polaron-Weak) featuring the letters 'EPW' in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The letters are set against a white background with a red, wavy, scalloped border. A blue horizontal line is positioned below the letters.

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static screened Coulomb interaction


$$\mu_c = N_F \langle\langle V_{n\mathbf{k},m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}^c \rangle\rangle_{\text{FS}}$$
A logo for S-GW (Screened Coulomb Interaction - Green's Function) featuring the letters 'S' and 'GW' in a stylized, yellow, sans-serif font. The letters are set against a dark blue background with a white border.

Schlipf *et al.*, *Comput. Phys. Commun.* 247, 106856 (2020)




# Anisotropic Migdal-Eliashberg equations on imaginary axis

e-ph interaction

$$V_{nk, m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}^{e-ph}(i\omega_j) = \sum_{\nu} |g_{m\nu}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q})|^2 D_{\mathbf{q}\nu}^{(0)}(i\omega_j)$$


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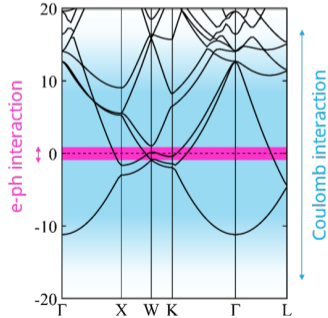
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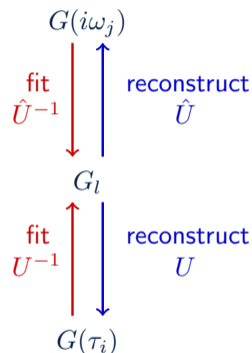
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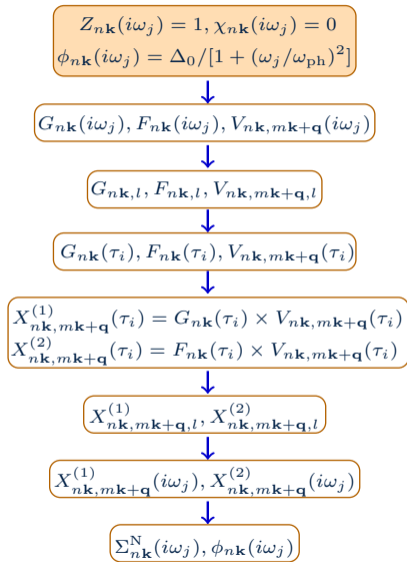
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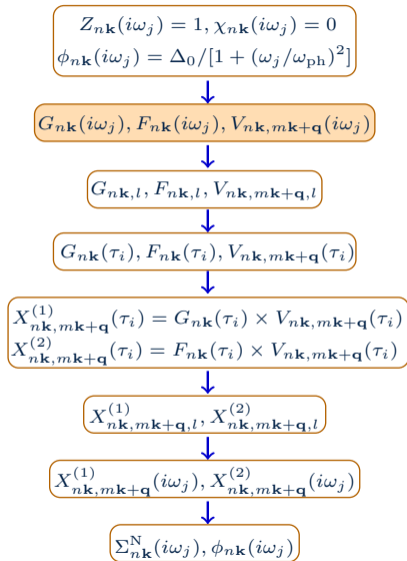
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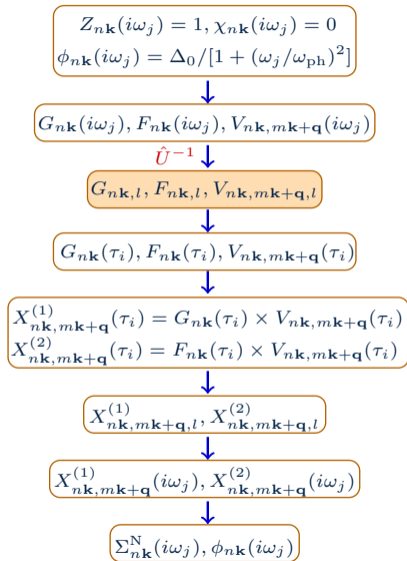
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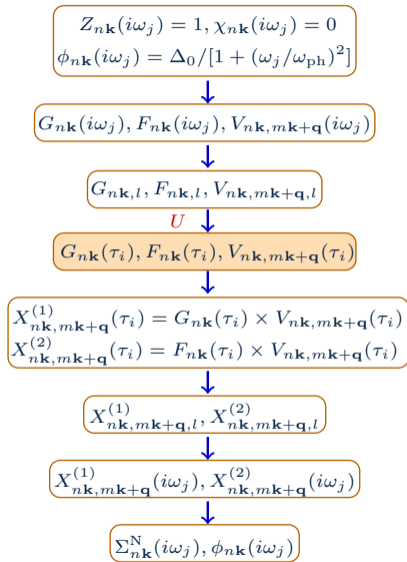
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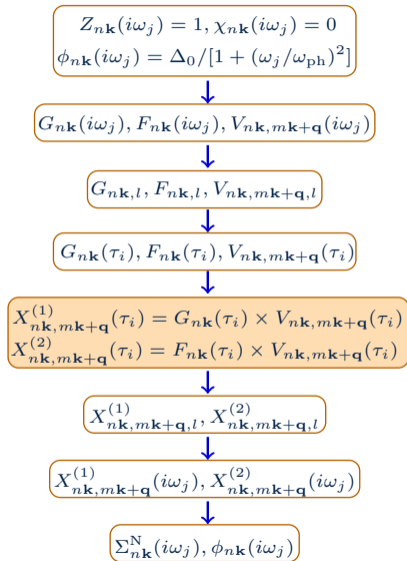
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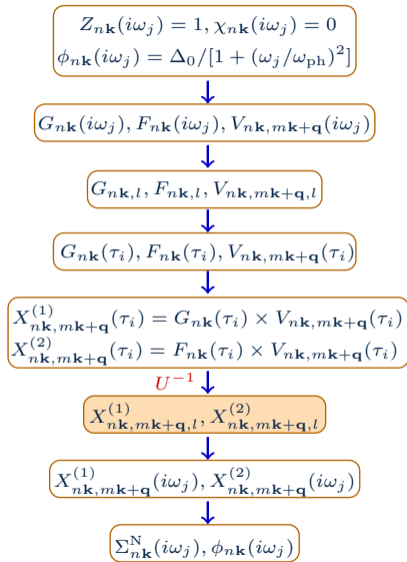
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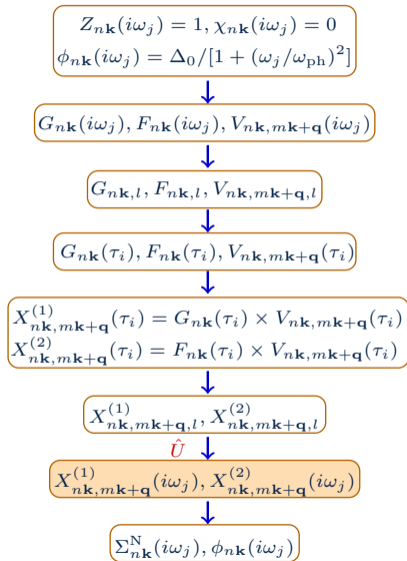
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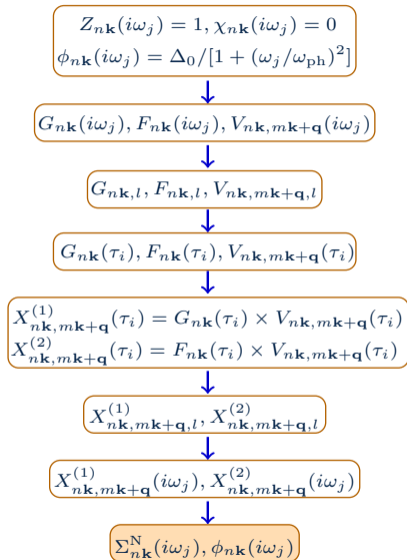
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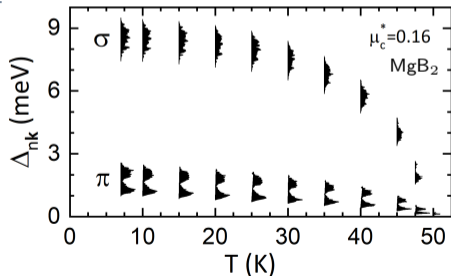
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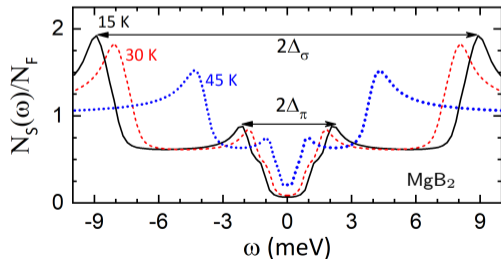
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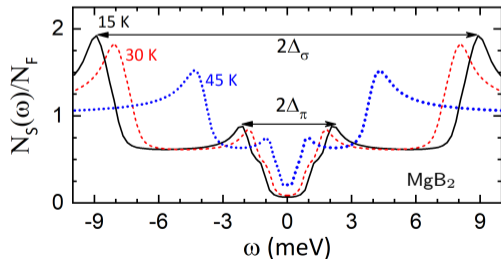
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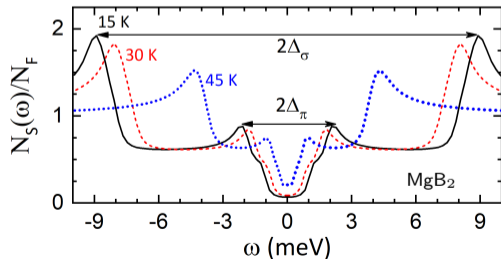
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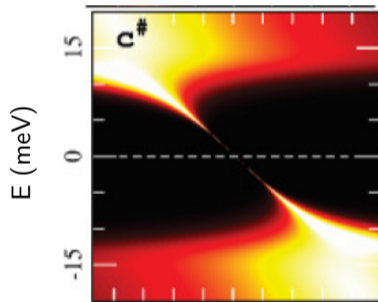
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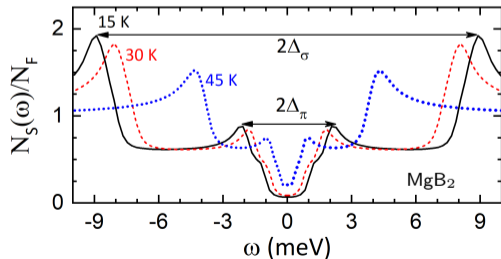
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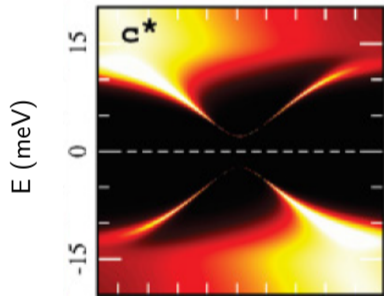
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CaC<sub>6</sub> superconducting state

Sanna *et al.*, Phys. Rev. B 85, 184514 (2012)

# Density functional theory for superconductors (SCDFT)

superconducting gap function  $\rightarrow$ 

$$\Delta_{n\mathbf{k}} = -\mathcal{Z}_{n\mathbf{k}}\Delta_{n\mathbf{k}} - \sum_m \int \frac{d\mathbf{q}}{\Omega_{\text{BZ}}} \frac{\mathcal{K}_{n\mathbf{k}, m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}} \Delta_{m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}}{2E_{m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}} \tanh\left(\frac{E_{m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}}{2k_{\text{B}}T}\right)$$

$\mathcal{Z}$  accounts for e-ph interactions  $\downarrow$ 
kernel  $\mathcal{K}$  accounts for e-ph and e-e interactions  $\downarrow$

quasiparticle excitation energy  $\rightarrow$ 

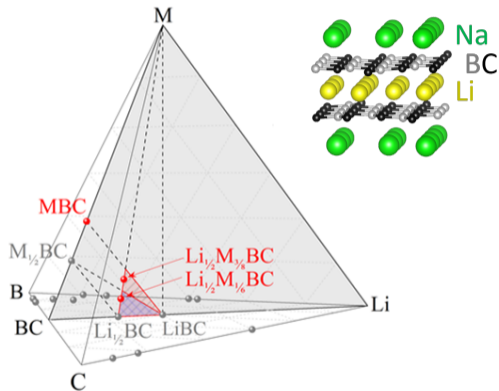
$$E_{n\mathbf{k}} = \sqrt{(\epsilon_{n\mathbf{k}} - \epsilon_{\text{F}})^2 + |\Delta_{n\mathbf{k}}|^2}$$

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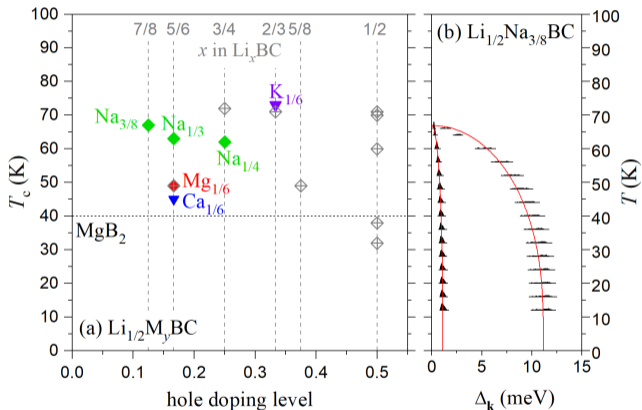
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# Superconductivity in Li-M-BC phases: FSR

Prediction of ambient-pressure  $\text{Li}_{1/2}\text{Na}_{3/8}\text{BC}$



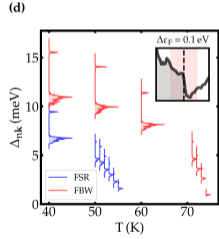
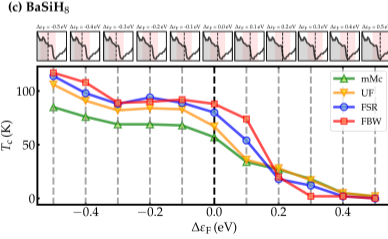
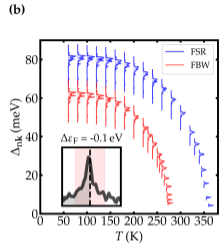
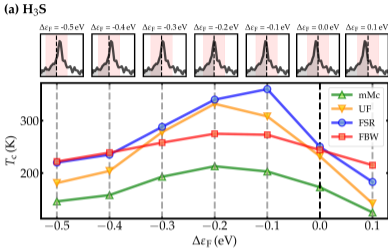
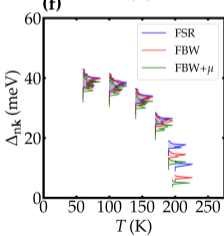
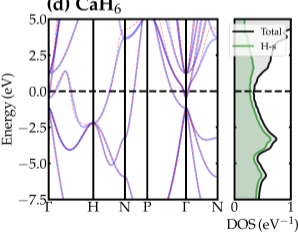
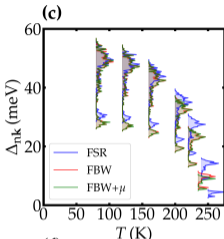
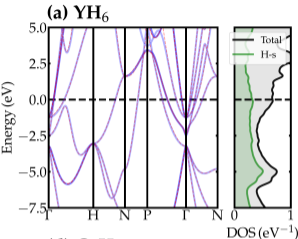
Prospect of high- $T_c$  superconductivity



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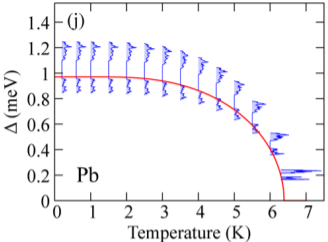
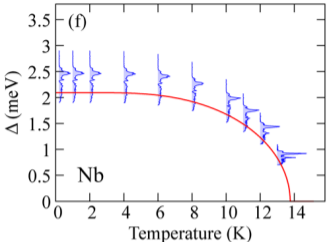
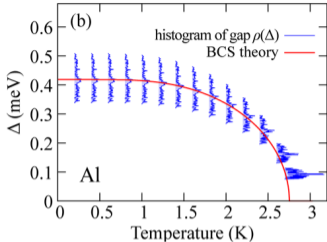


# Superconductivity in hydrides: FBW vs. FSR

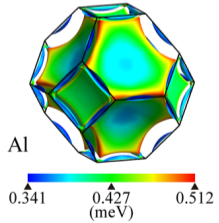


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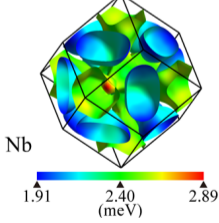
# Superconductivity in elemental metals: FBW + IR



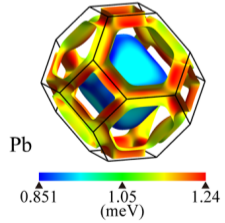
(d)  $\Delta_{nk}(i\pi T)$  at  $T = 0.2$  K



(h)  $\Delta_{nk}(i\pi T)$  at  $T = 0.2$  K

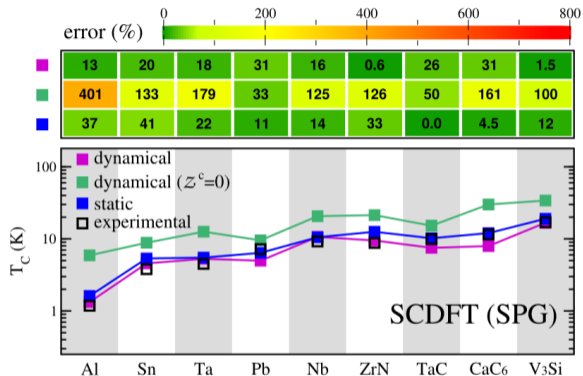
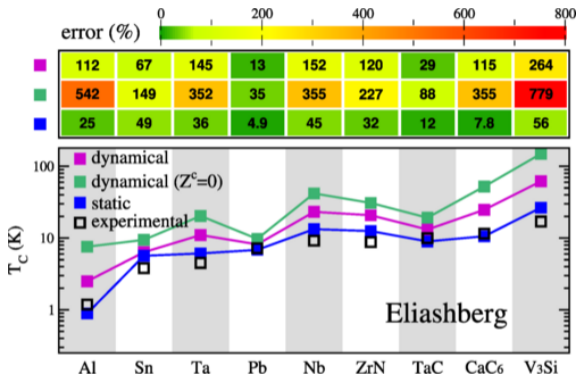


(l)  $\Delta_{nk}(i\pi T)$  at  $T = 0.2$  K



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# Migdal-Eliashberg with ab initio Coulomb interactions vs. SCDFT



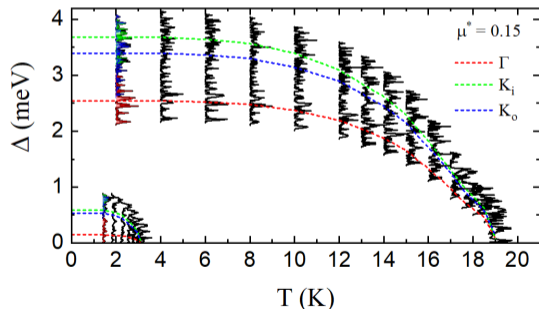
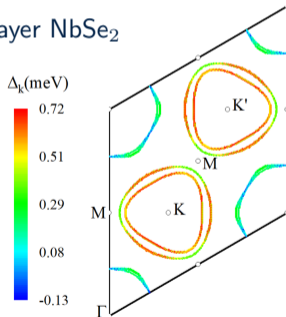
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# Migdal-Eliashberg theory with spin fluctuations

$$Z_{n\mathbf{k}}(i\omega_j) = 1 + \frac{\pi T}{\omega_j N_F} \sum_{mj'} \int \frac{d\mathbf{q}}{\Omega_{\text{BZ}}} \frac{\omega_{j'} \delta(\epsilon_{m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}} - \epsilon_F)}{\sqrt{\omega_{j'}^2 + \Delta_{m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}^2(i\omega_{j'})}} [\lambda_{n\mathbf{k},m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}(\omega_j - \omega_{j'}) + \lambda_{n\mathbf{k},m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}^{\text{sf}}(\omega_j - \omega_{j'})]$$

$$Z_{n\mathbf{k}}(i\omega_j) \Delta_{n\mathbf{k}}(i\omega_j) = \frac{\pi T}{N_F} \sum_{mj'} \int \frac{d\mathbf{q}}{\Omega_{\text{BZ}}} \frac{\Delta_{m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}(i\omega_{j'}) \delta(\epsilon_{m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}} - \epsilon_F)}{\sqrt{\omega_{j'}^2 + \Delta_{m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}^2(i\omega_{j'})}} [\lambda_{n\mathbf{k},m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}(\omega_j - \omega_{j'}) - \lambda_{n\mathbf{k},m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}^{\text{sf}}(\omega_j - \omega_{j'}) - \mu_c^*]$$

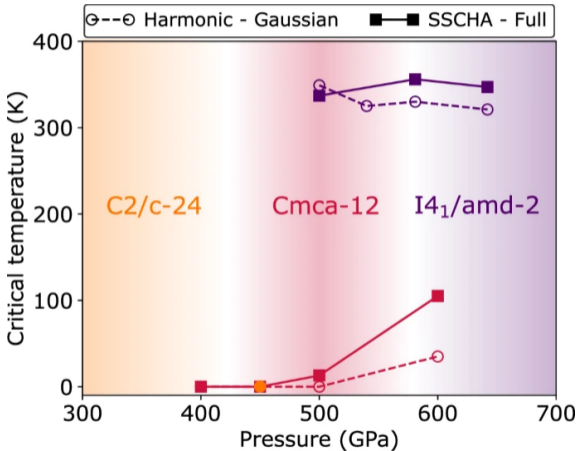
monolayer NbSe<sub>2</sub>



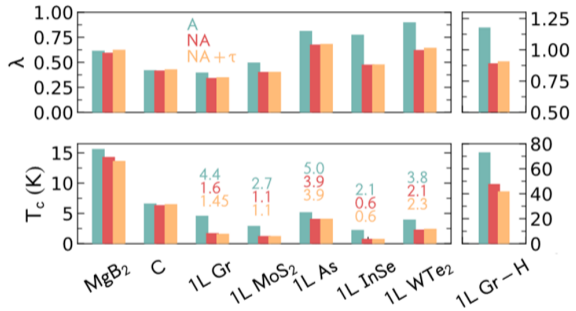
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solid hydrogen



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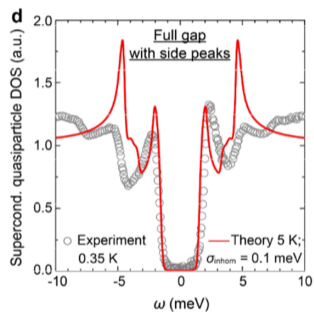
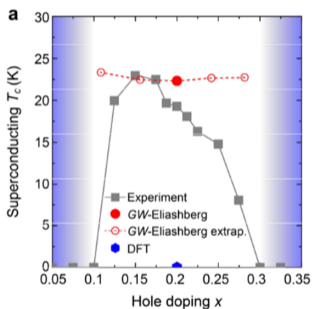
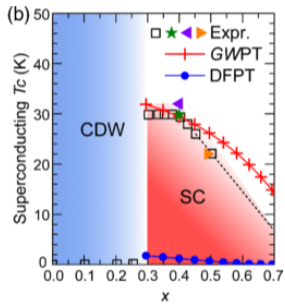
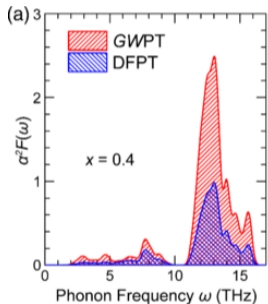


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# Migdal-Eliashberg theory with GW and GWPT

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infinite-layer  $\text{Nd}_{0.8}\text{Sr}_{0.2}\text{NiO}_2$

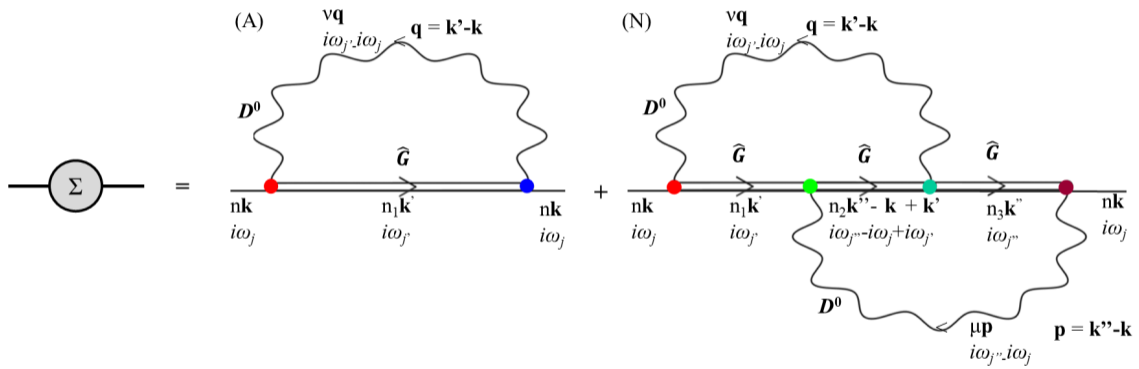


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# Take-home messages

- The Migdal-Eliashberg equations can be obtained from a rigorous many-body framework
- The Eliashberg theory provides a well-defined scheme for modeling superconducting properties from first-principles
- The standard implementation of the Eliashberg formalism can be expanded to include additional effects



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