# Nano boubles and more ...

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#### Nano boubles



#### Boubles =



# Nano = This Meeting ??

# Year Round X-mas Shops





## Nano boubles





### Nano HOAX



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Nanobot =

Mechanical machine

Mechanical machines need **RIGIDITY** 

RIGIDITY = EMERGENT = absent on nanoscale

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## Correlation boubles ...





# Freshly tenured ...

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# Meaningful meeting

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Compliments to organizers:

Interdisciplinary with focus and a good taste!

Compliments to the speakers:

Review order well executed!

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# Cross fertilization: semiconductors to correlated

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Bossing experimentalists around: these semiconductor devices are ingenious!! Pushing domain walls around (Ohno)

Spin transport (spin Hall, Schliemann) -- somehow great potential in correlated ...

Personal highlight: Mannhart, Okamoto !

Devices <=> interfaces: lots of correlated life!!

# Cross fertilization: correlated to semiconductors

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#### Inhomogeneity !!

Theorists be aware, it is elusive ...Go out and have a look: STM (Koenraad, Yazdani)Good or bad for the holy grail (high Tc)??Joe Moore: Tc can go up by having high Tc island in a low Tc sea

Resistance maximum at Tc:

Lesson of manganites: big peak requires large scale electronic reorganization.

# More resistance maximum

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Where are the polarons in GaMnAs ???

Zarand: strong disorder, large scale stuff, but Anderson localization at high T ??

Manganites: low T degenerate Fermi-liquid to high T classical (polaron) liquid

Easily picked up by Thermopower (Palstra et al 1995): S(classical liquid) = 1000 \* S(Fermi liquid)

# Competing orders

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First order transition + Coulomb frustration + more difficult stuff ==> (dynamical) inhomogeniety + disorder ==> glassiness

2DEG-MIT (Fogler): Wigner X-tal vs. Fermi-liquid

Manganites (Argyriou, Perroni, ...): Polaron liquid vs. Charge order vs. FM Fermi-liquid

Cuprates (Lee, Davis,Gorkov,Blumberg, ...): superconductivity vs. Fermi-liquid vs. plain antiferromagnetism vs. stripe order vs. flux phases (??) vs. real d-density wave vs. topological order A vs topological order B vs ....

# The 2DEG

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The most basic: Coulomb, kinetic energy and a bit of dirt.

Why is this so underfunded?

Experimentally rather inaccessible (transport), however notice the compressibility scans (Fogler) ..

# Manganites

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Mature subject: basic rules are under controll

'Critical' electron-phonon interaction + double exchange + 'stripy' charge ordering physics

Surprises still happening, highlight Argyriou: Classical liquid --> glass --> crystal (stripes) --> FM fermi liquid

Ilya Vekhter: competing orders --> spontaneous glassiness, is this the clue??

# This was actually a pretty good high Tc meeting ...

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Focus on disorder, timely ....

The Alloul paradigm (Bobroff, Ruillier-Albenque, Eisaki, in a way Broun, Gorkov):

#### **Dirt is important**

For low Tc (214) and (because of ?) stripesFor phase fluctuations/Nernst effectTo figure out spin-charge separation (Zn vs Ni impurities).Out of plane (intrinsic) disorder is a killer

#### Quantum mayonaise

Davis: anti-correlation with dopants, inhomogeneity in gap maps, not in charge density

Nunner: Gap-map inhomogeneity due to disorderly pairing interaction!

Makes Devereaux happy: Eisaki's offplane dirt talks to Thom's phonons

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## Quantum mayonaise cont.

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If large gaps = pseudogaps are due to strong pairs If pseudogap blobs are bad (super)conductors These have to be blobs of orderly (stripy) charge

#### Phase dynamics at work!

Small pairs have a small kinetic energy and a large charging energy ==> phase disorders, charge orders

If so: Room temperature superconductivity would exist were it not that stripes spoil the fun ...

## A critical note

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'Spectroscopy from mixed-phase models' (Mayr, Atkinson)

Use mean-field potentials derived from interesting static textures to reach conclusions regarding photoemission etc. spectra

**In cuprates: not quite right!** 

Reason: hbar is big, auxiliary fields time dependent as hell, especially so at high energies!

## Theorist' bouble, by me ...

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Black lines: charge stripes as serious quantum strings (lines of tight binding particles) Red, yellow: serious quantum Heisenberg spins

Movie: imaginary time cinema Timeslices of quantum Monte Carlo simulations

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# Euclidean Movie: order out of disorder in stripe land

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#### That is it

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# Looking forward seeing you again!

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