

## Fermi liquid behaviour in strongly correlated metals

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A reference point for research on a wider range of correlated behaviour is provided by the so-called Fermi-liquids, characterized by a relaxation rate  $w^2 + (\rho k_B T)^2$ . The theoretical prediction for the relaxation rate appearing in the optical conductivity is  $\rho=2$  when considering the experimentally most accessible range  $w > k_B T$ . A number of recent optical studies have addressed the issue of Fermi-liquid characteristics, reporting indeed  $w^2$  and  $T^2$  for the optical scattering rate of a number different materials. However, a perfect match to the prediction  $\rho=2$  has not been observed. One possible scenario that has been proposed to explain this discrepancy is the presence of magnetic impurities. In a recent study we have investigated  $\text{Sr}_2\text{RuO}_4$ , a material which can be synthesized in very pure form, with well-established  $T^2$  resistivity below 25K. Here we observe a perfect scaling collapse of  $1/\tau$  as a function of  $w^2 + (\rho \pi k_B T)^2$  for with  $w < 36$  meV, and temperature below 40K, with  $\rho=2$ . We also observe features in the spectrum at higher energy, which are manifestly beyond the Fermi-liquid model. The sign and size of these features agree quantitatively with the notion of resilient quasiparticles predicted by dynamical mean field theoretical calculations for this compound.

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