

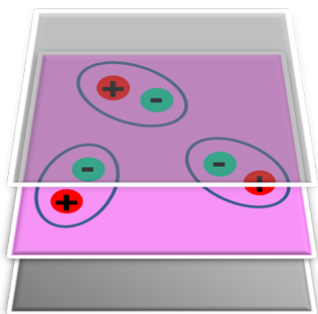
Collective fluctuation modes in a polariton laser

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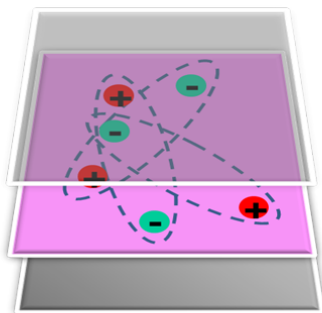
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Polariton BEC

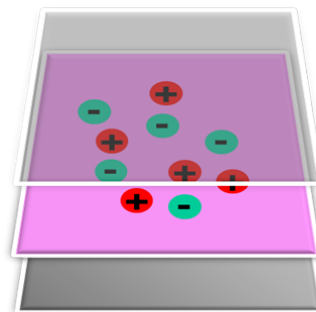


Polariton BCS

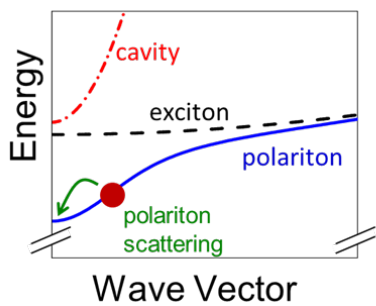
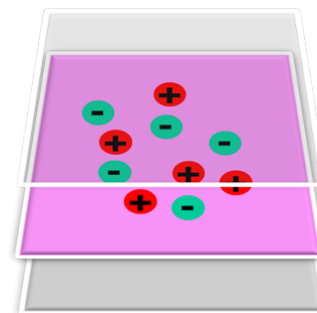


Photon Laser

with e-h BCS (strong laser)

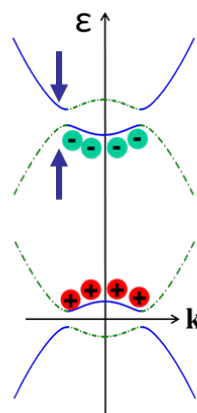


without e-h BCS (weak laser)

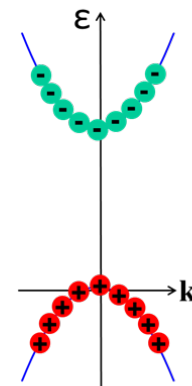


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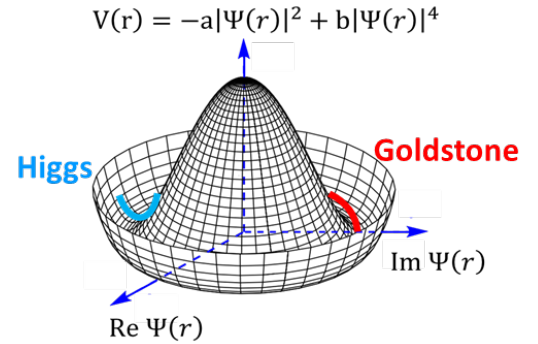
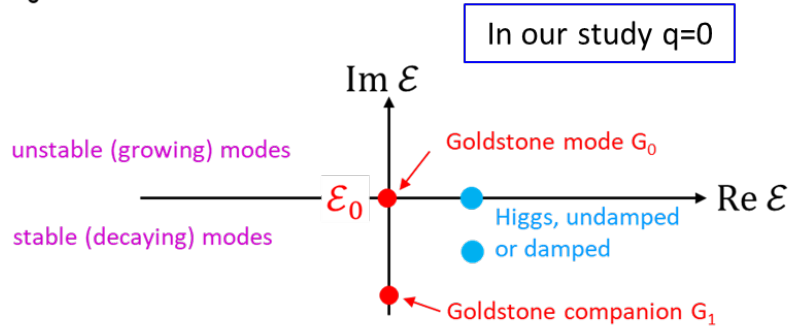
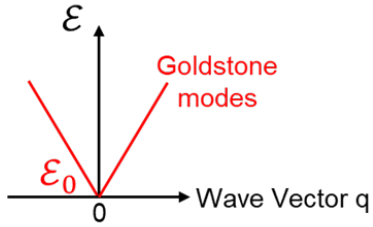
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Fluctuation modes in condensates

Order parameter (condensate wave function):
 phase arbitrary, but fixed by
 spontaneous symmetry breaking

$$\Psi(\mathbf{r}) = |\Psi(\mathbf{r})|e^{i\phi}$$

Goldstone is the oscillation mode of the broken-symmetry variable (phase)*

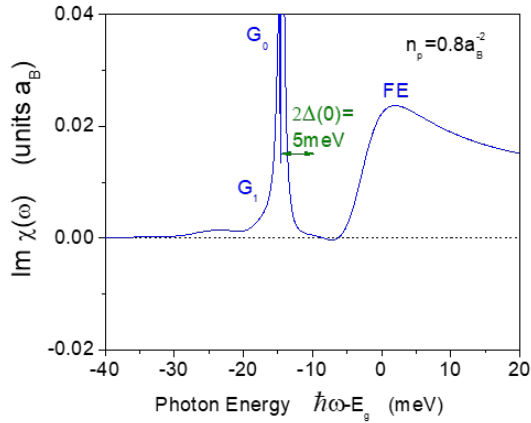


Physics of Higgs (if it exists) depends on details of system.

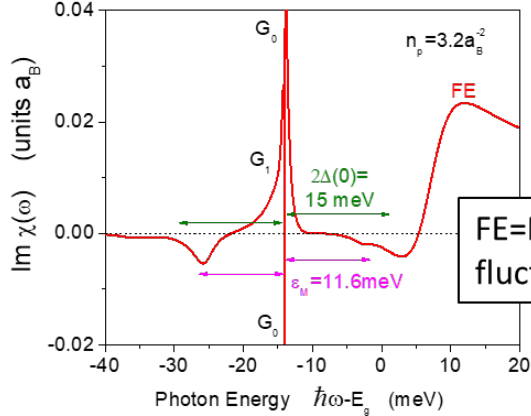
* Other terminology for phase modes in superconductors: Anderson-Bogoliubov mode, Nambu-Goldstone mode

Fluctuation modes in polaritonic BCS state

2x threshold

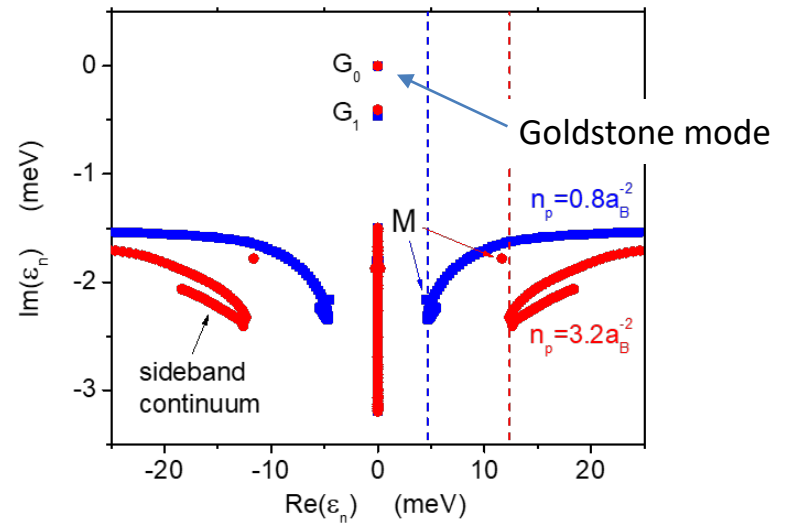


8x threshold



FE=Fermi edge
fluctuation modes

Mollow-like mode (M) emerge
close to continuum edge

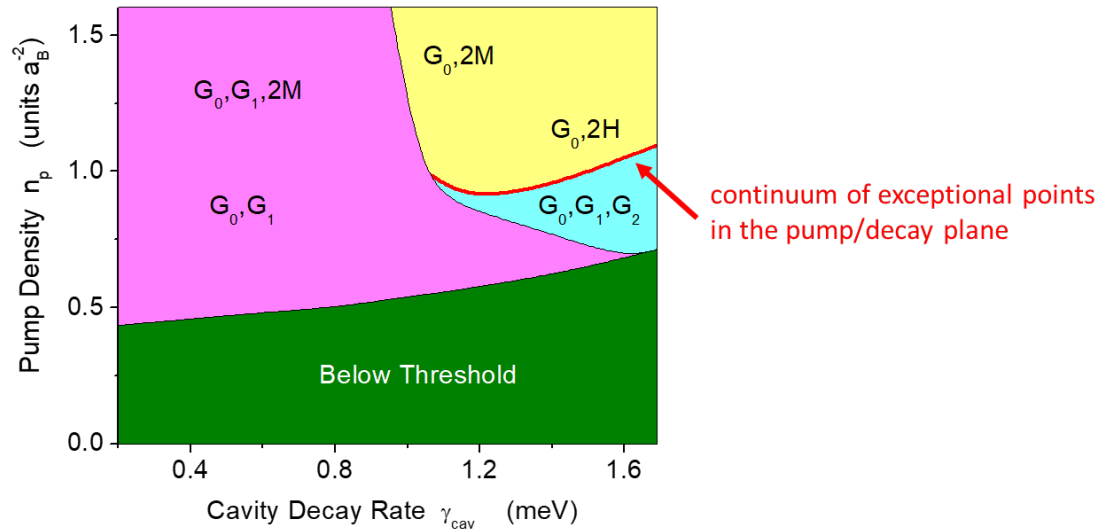
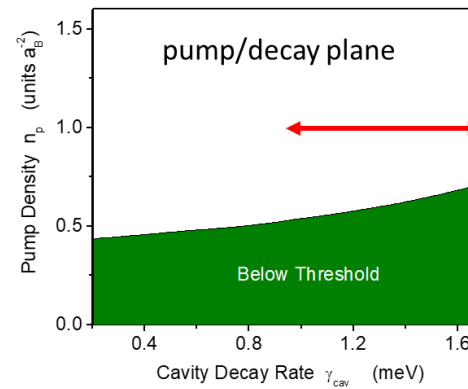
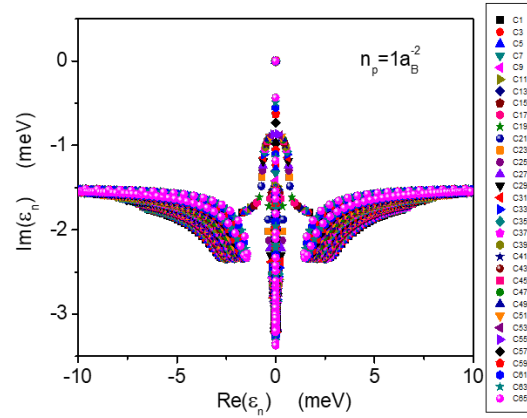


M-modes are not Higgs modes

M-mode close to onset of continuum fluctuation modes

Transformation of collective fluctuation modes in polariton BCS state

Varying pump cavity decay rate from 0.9 to 1.7 meV



[1] Binder, Kwong, Phys. Rev. B 103, 085304 (2021)

[2] Spotnitz, Kwong, Binder, Phys. Rev. B 104, 115305 (2021)