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CONDENSED MATTER THEORY SEMINAR

Subject: Fundamental limit on electron-phonon interaction strength in metals

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Abstract

I'll show that the dimensionless electron-phonon coupling λ cannot exceed a certain critical value (approximately 3.7) in metals. Increasing λ beyond this value leads to a structural instability accompanied by a metal-insulator transition. This also implies an upper bound on the superconducting T_c . We'll compare the bounds on λ and T_c with existing experimental data.