

Uncover the mystery of strange metal state in correlated electron systems

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In memory of Prof. Pauchy Huang (黃偉彥 教授)

I was Prof. Huang's Master degree student during 1991-1993 in NTU.



Outlines

- **Strange metal phenomena in correlated electron systems**
- **Strange metal in heavy fermion metals/superconductors**

Heavy-fermion metal: Ge-substituted YbRh_2Si_2

Heavy-fermion superconductors CeMIn_5 , $\text{M}=\text{Co, Rh, Ir}$

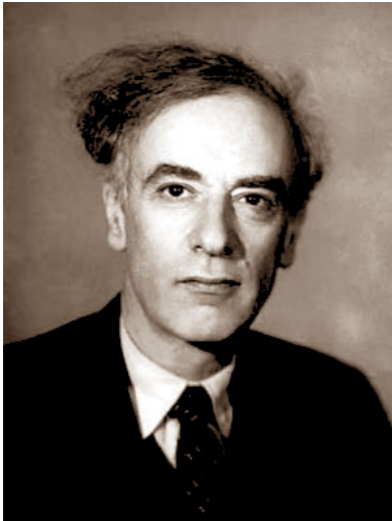
Mechanism: Kondo vs. AF RKKY

- **Paramagnetic heavy-fermion metal on frustrated lattice**
- **Summary**

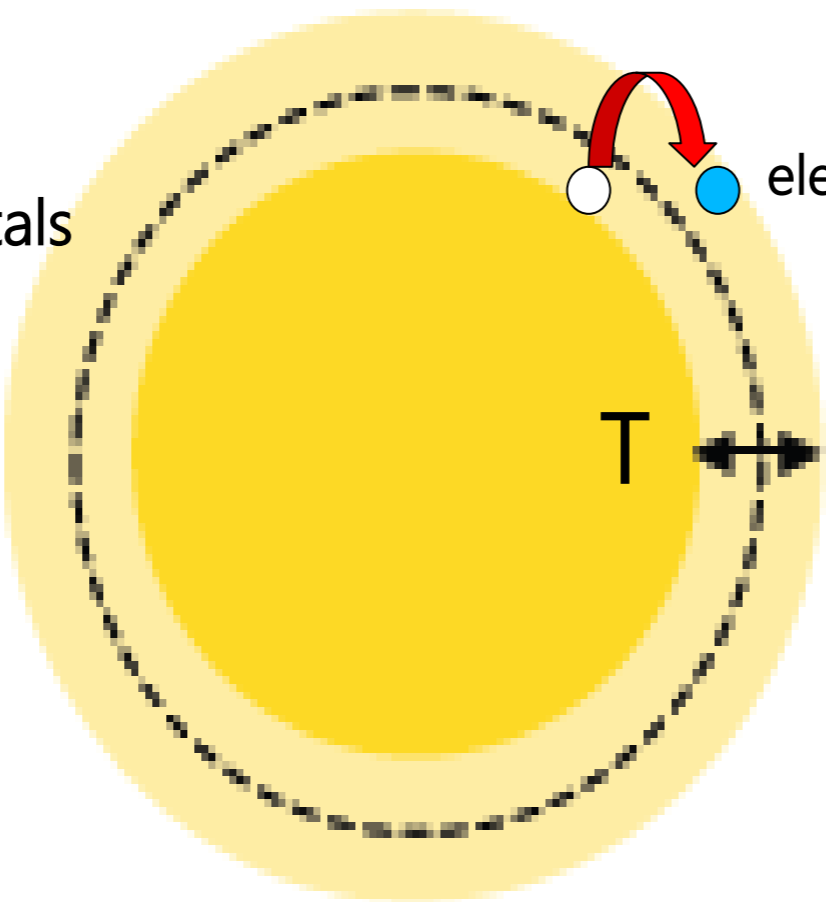
Landou's Fermi -liquid theory: normal metals

Elementary excitations in fermionic solid state systems: quasiparticles

Normal states of most metals



Lev Landou

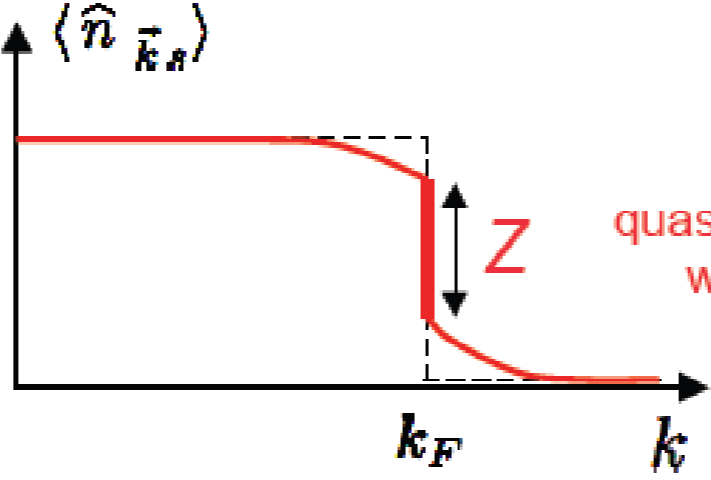
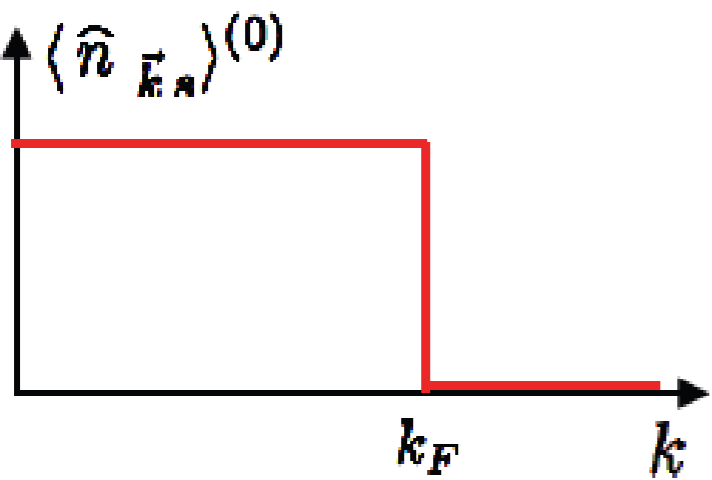


quasi-particles:
weakly interacting
electron-hole pairs



Enrico Fermi

States of Fermi-liquid described by quasi-particle distributions



$$G(\omega, p) \approx \frac{Z}{\omega + \mu - \epsilon(p)}$$

Fermi liquid theory - physical properties

Electrical
resistivity:

$$\rho(T) = \rho(0) + aT^2$$

T²-resistivity

specific heat:

$$\delta n_{\sigma}(\vec{k}) = n_{\sigma}^{(0)}(T, \vec{k}) - n_{\sigma}^{(0)}(0, \vec{k})$$

$$C = \frac{\pi^2 k_B^2 N(\epsilon_F)}{3} T$$

T-linear specific heat

compressibility:

$$\kappa = -\frac{1}{\Omega} \left. \frac{\partial \Omega}{\partial p} \right|_{T, N}$$

$$\kappa = \frac{3}{2n\epsilon_F} \frac{1}{1 + F_0^s} = \frac{1}{n^2} \frac{N(\epsilon_F)}{1 + F_0^s}$$

spin susceptibility:

$$\chi = \frac{M}{H}$$

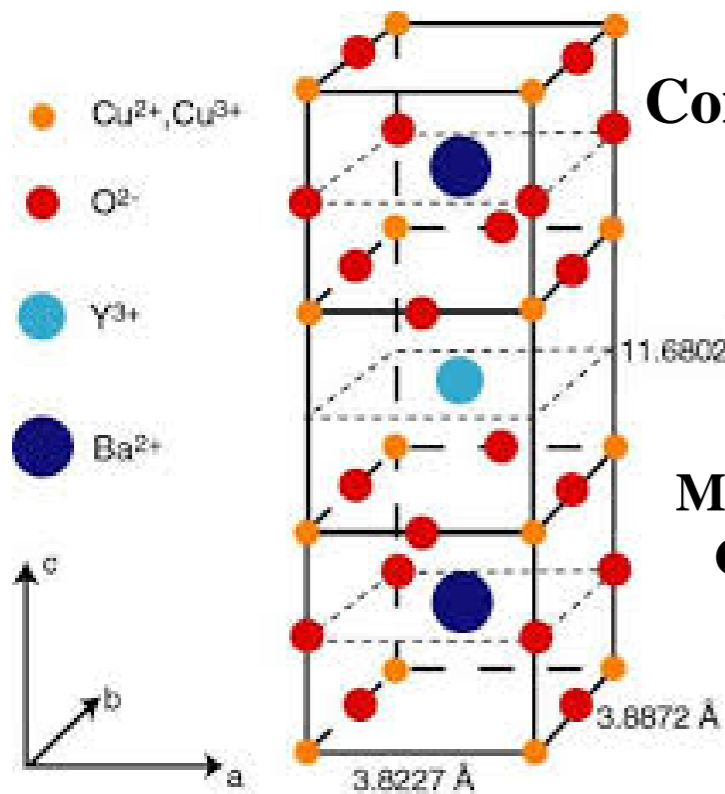
$$\chi = \frac{\mu_B^2 N(\epsilon_F)}{1 + F_0^a}$$

Landau parameters: F_l^s

Strongly correlated quantum many-body systems

High-Tc cuprate superconductors

- $x=0$, Large Coulomb repulsion $U \rightarrow$ Mott Insulators + Heisenberg anti-ferromagnet
- $x > x_c$, holes destroy AF order \rightarrow normal Fermi liquid metal

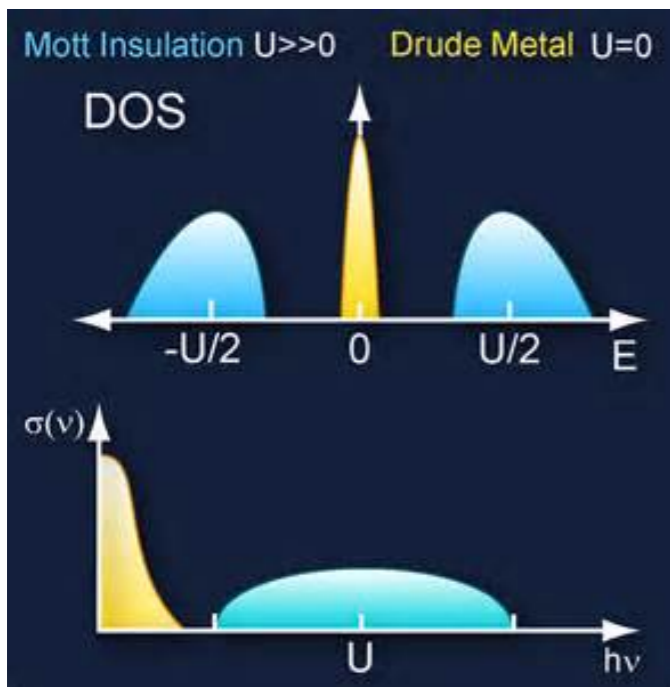
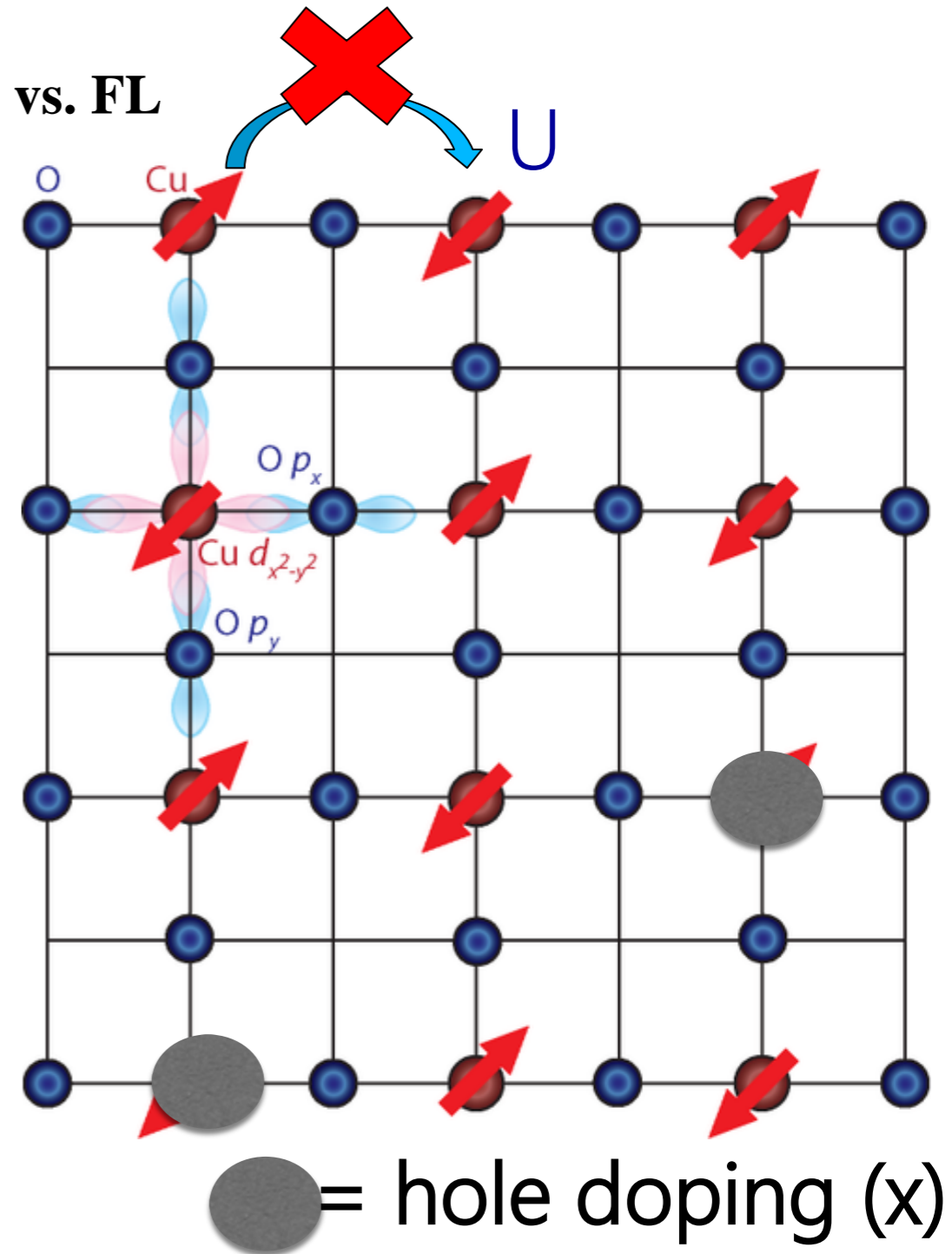
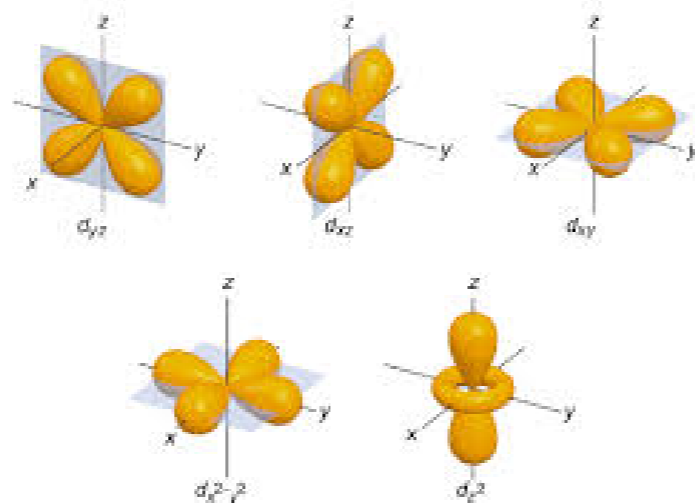


Competing ground state: AF vs. FL



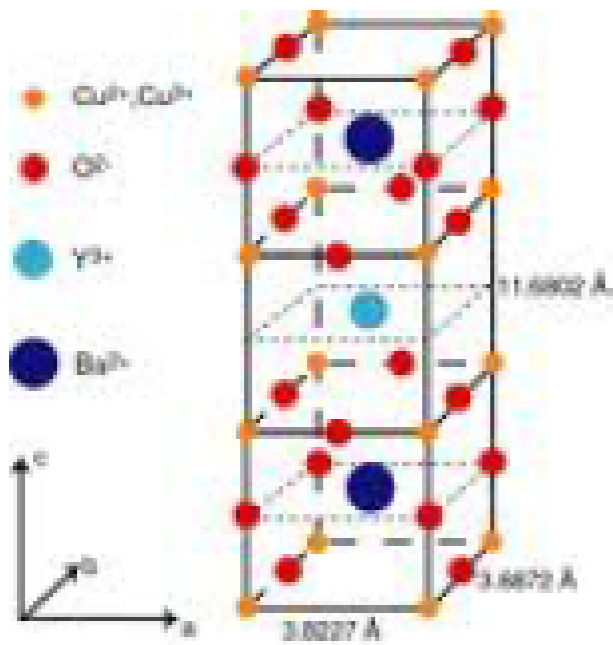
M. Ainslie, PhD Thesis,
Cambridge U., 2012

Cu: d-orbitals



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Phase diagram of high- T_c superconductors



YBCO

$$\text{---} \text{---} = \frac{|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$$

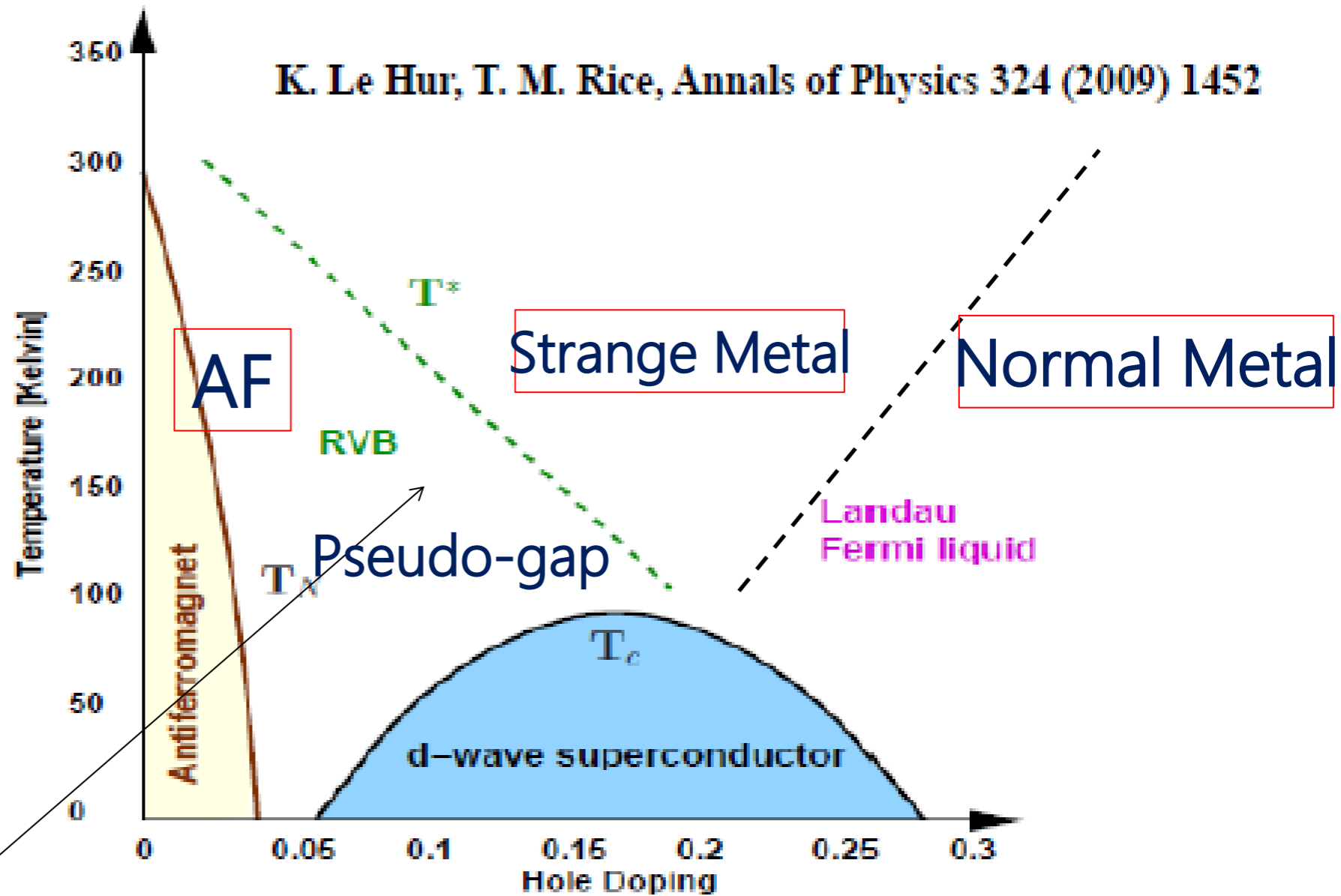
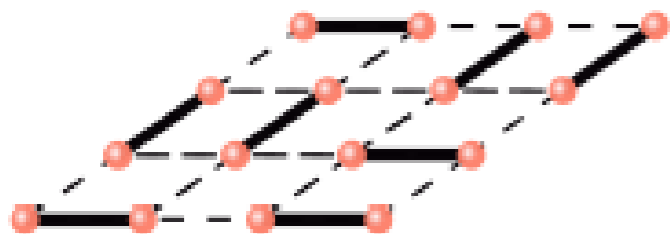
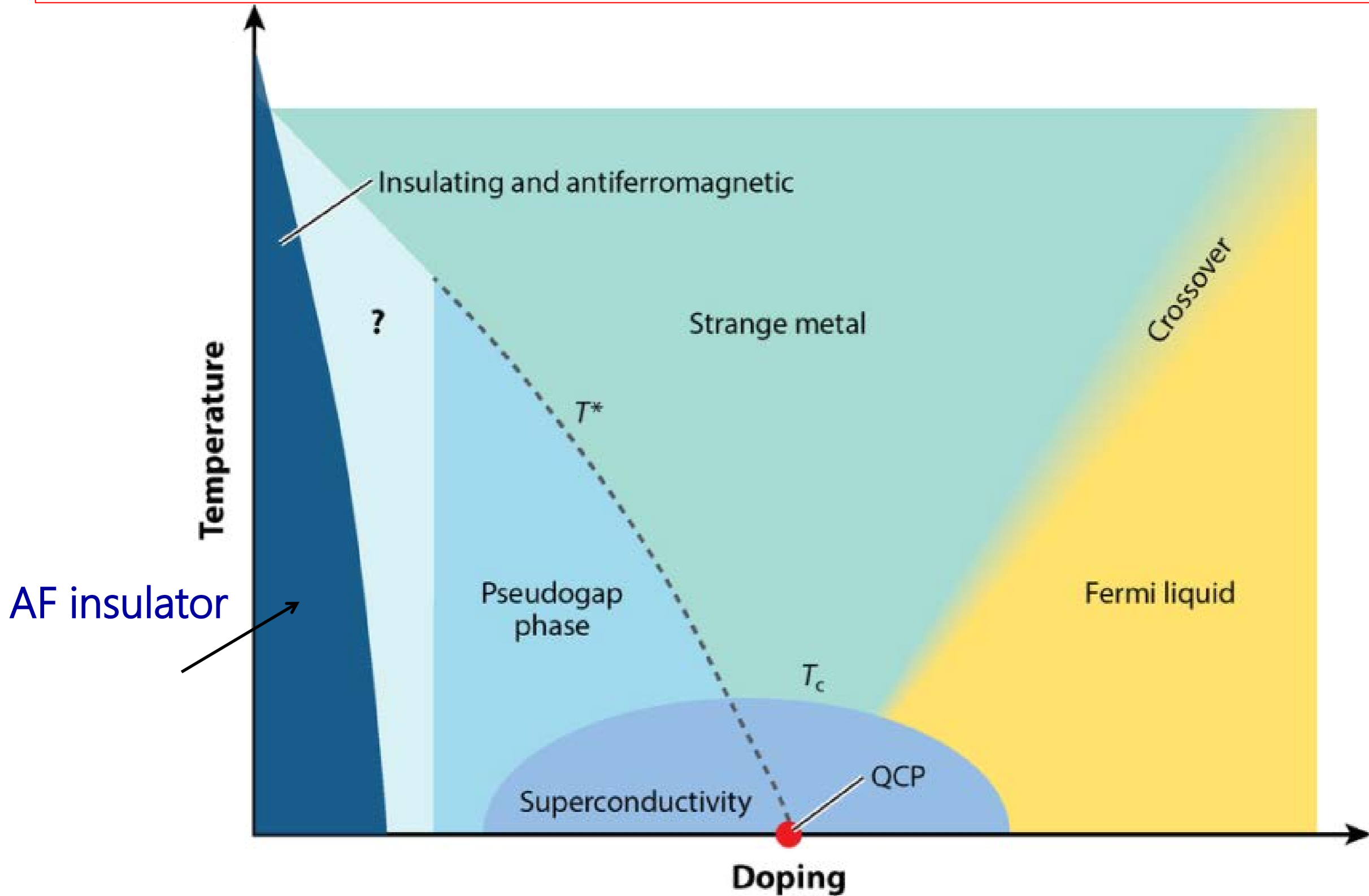


Fig. 1. Schematic phase diagram of high- T_c superconductors.

Highest T_c so far ~ 133K

Even higher T_c ?

Strange metal near edge of AF pseudogap and Fermi liquid phases



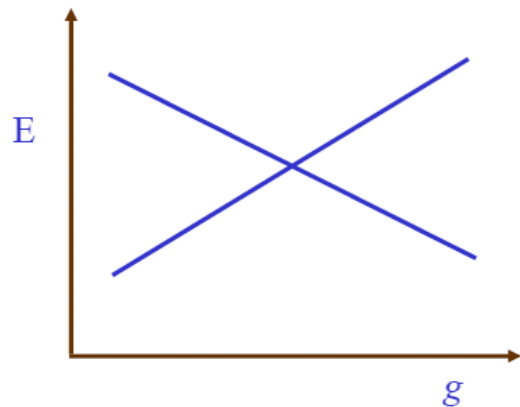
Goldman AM. 2014.

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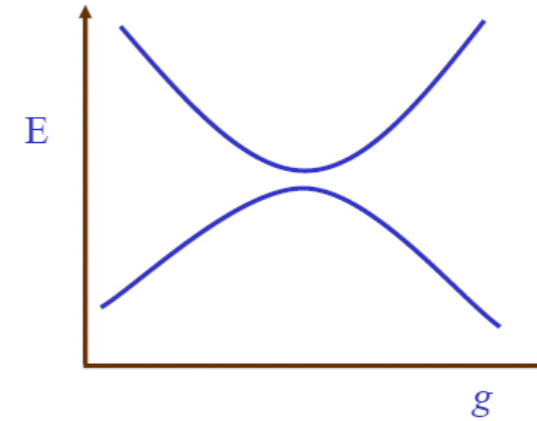
Quantum phase transitions

Competing Quantum Ground States

Non-analyticity in ground state properties as a function of some control parameter g

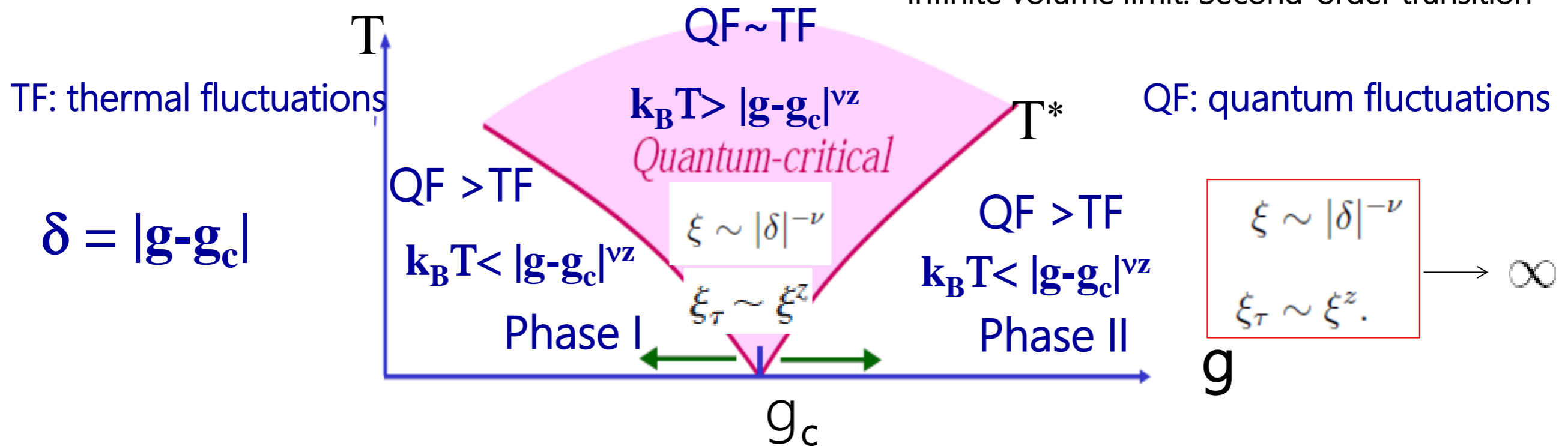


Sachdev, quantum phase transitions,
Cambridge Univ. press, 1999



True level crossing: usually a first-order transition

Avoided level crossing which becomes sharp in the infinite volume limit: Second-order transition



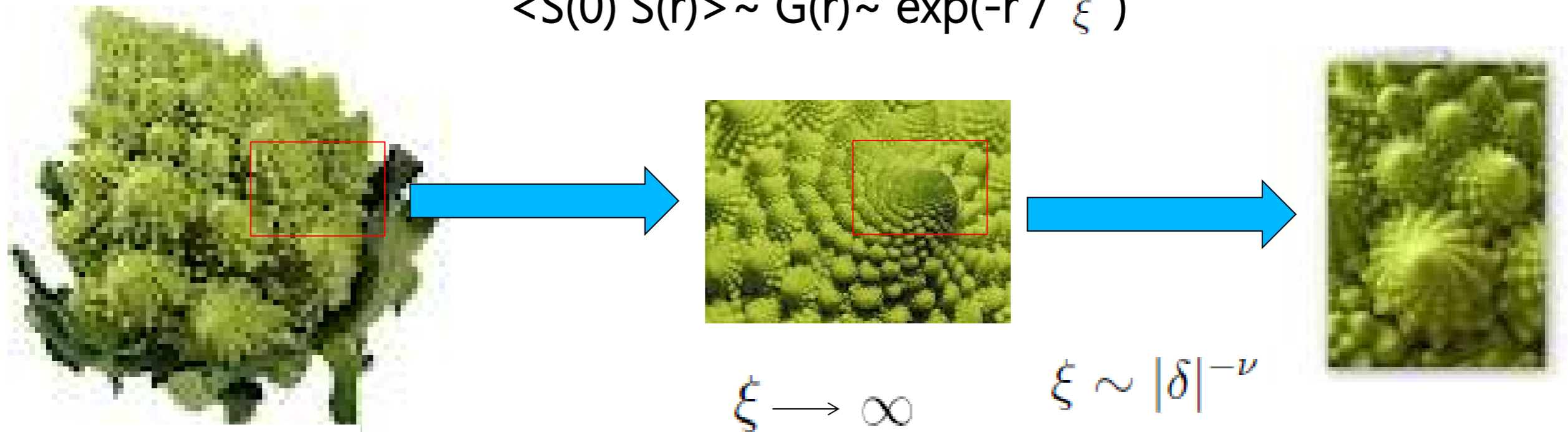
• Critical point is a novel state of matter

• Critical excitations control dynamics in the wide quantum-critical region at non-zero temperatures

• Quantum critical region exhibits universal power-law behaviors: Non-Fermi liquid

Universal quantum critical behaviours: Fractal Cauliflower, self-similarity --- Quantum Criticality

$$\langle S(0) S(r) \rangle \sim G(r) \sim \exp(-r / \xi)$$



Same correlations at ALL length scale !

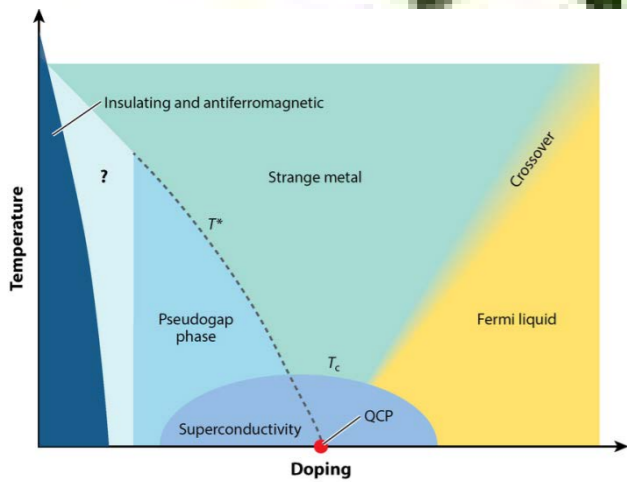
Dynamical scaling form near QCP:

$$\mathcal{O}(k, \omega, K) = \xi^{d_{\mathcal{O}}} \mathcal{O}(k\xi, \omega\xi_{\tau})$$

Sondhi et al, RMP 1997

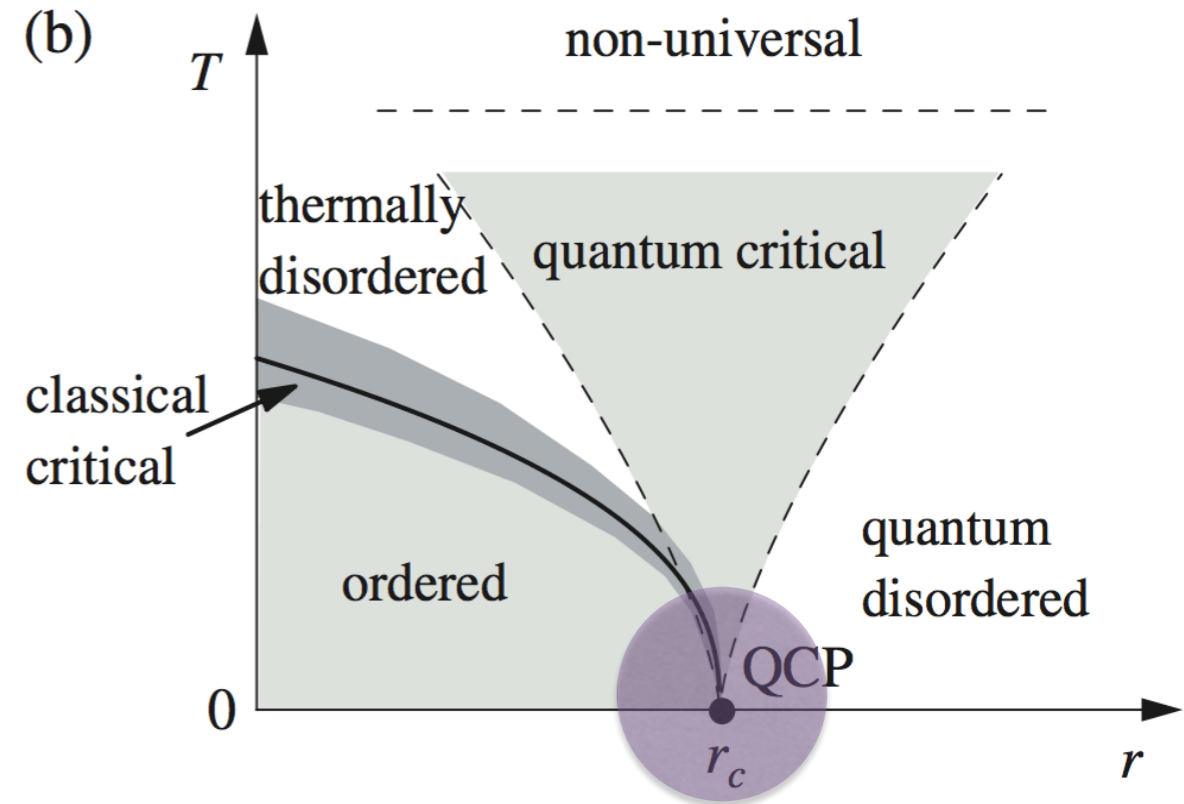
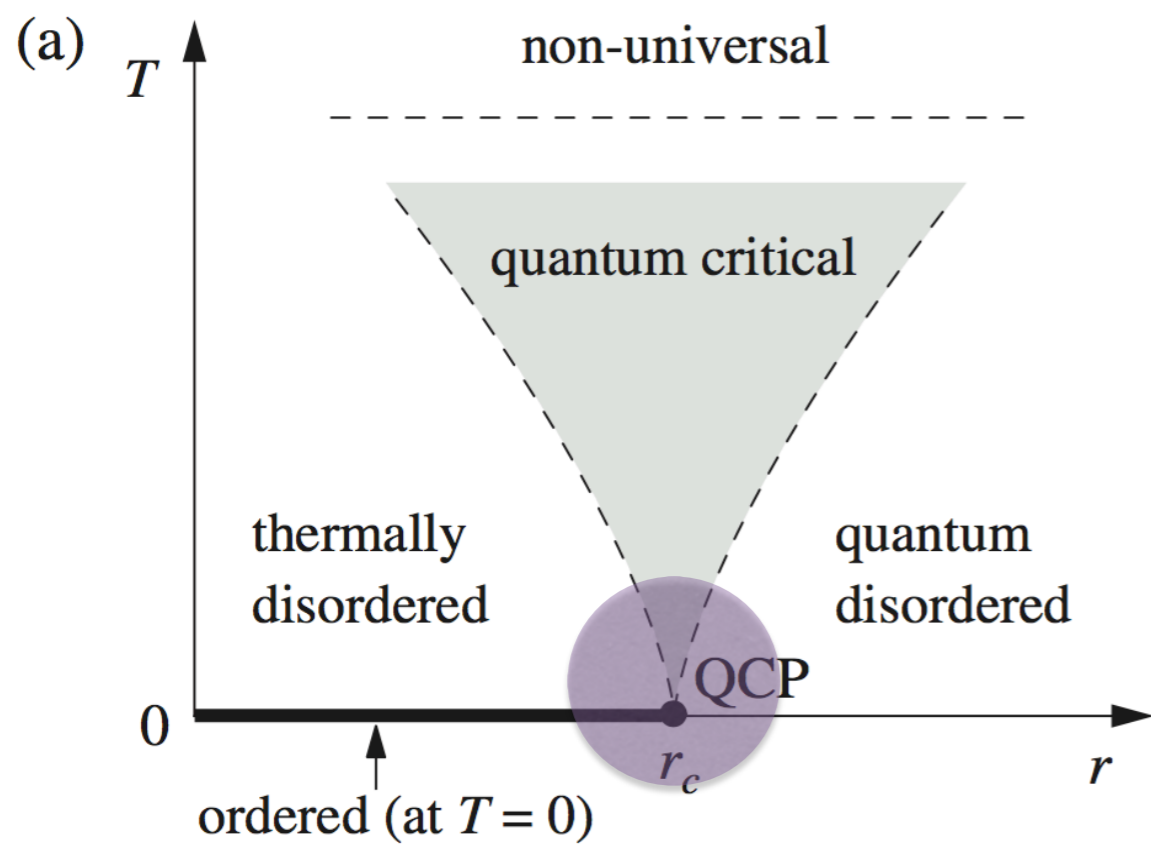
$d_{\mathcal{O}}$ scaling dimension of the observable \mathcal{O}

close to the critical point, there is no characteristic length scale other than ξ itself
and no characteristic time scale other than ξ_{τ}



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Quantum phase transition (QPT) & universal scaling



$$\langle S(0) S(r) \rangle \sim G(r) \sim \exp(-r / \xi) \quad \xi \rightarrow \infty$$

Vojta, RPP, 2003

Near QCP r_c

universal scaling

$$\xi \sim |r - r_c|^{-\nu} ; C_V \sim |r - r_c|^\alpha$$

$$M \sim |r - r_c|^{-\beta} ; \frac{\partial M}{\partial B} \sim |r - r_c|^{-\gamma}$$

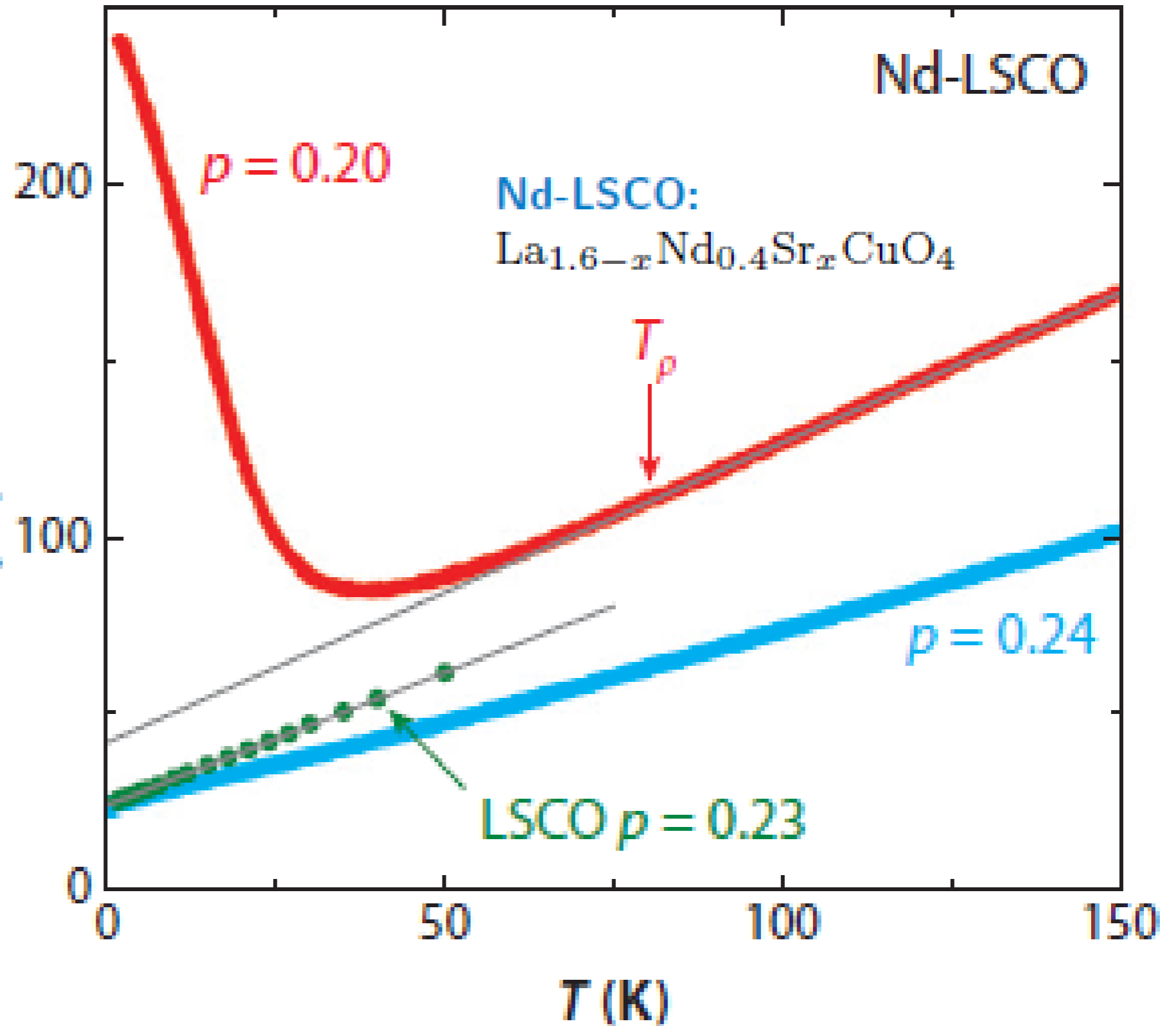
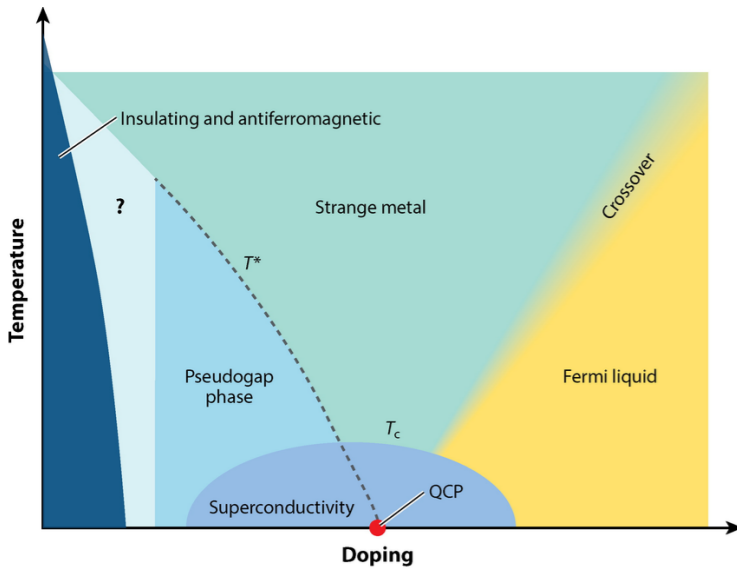
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Effective dimension : $d + z$

Hyperscalings: for $d+z < 4$

➔ Relations between various exponents.

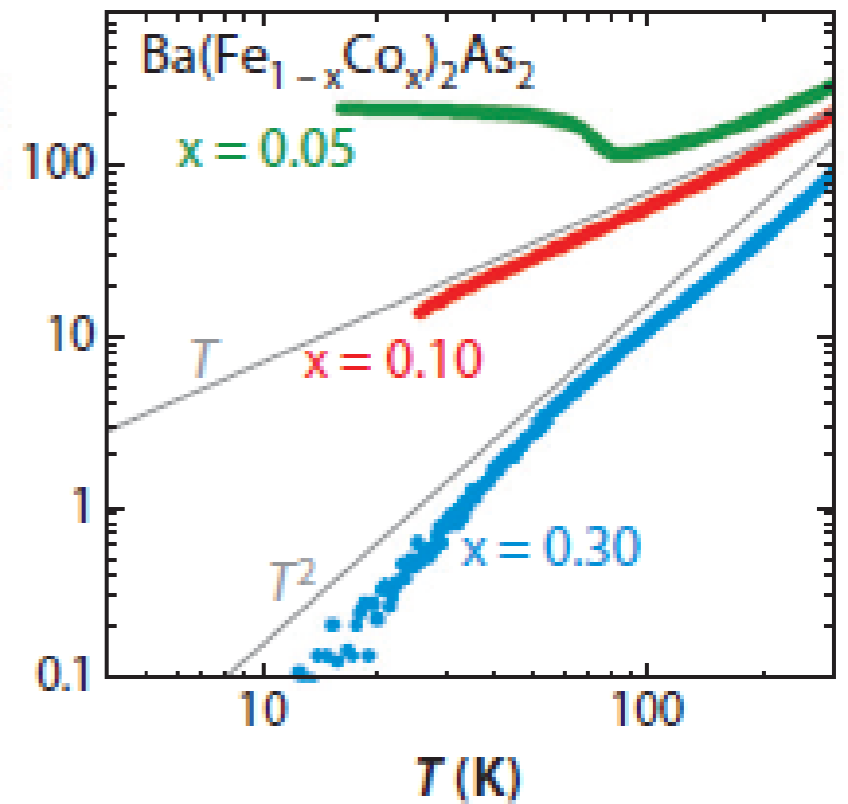
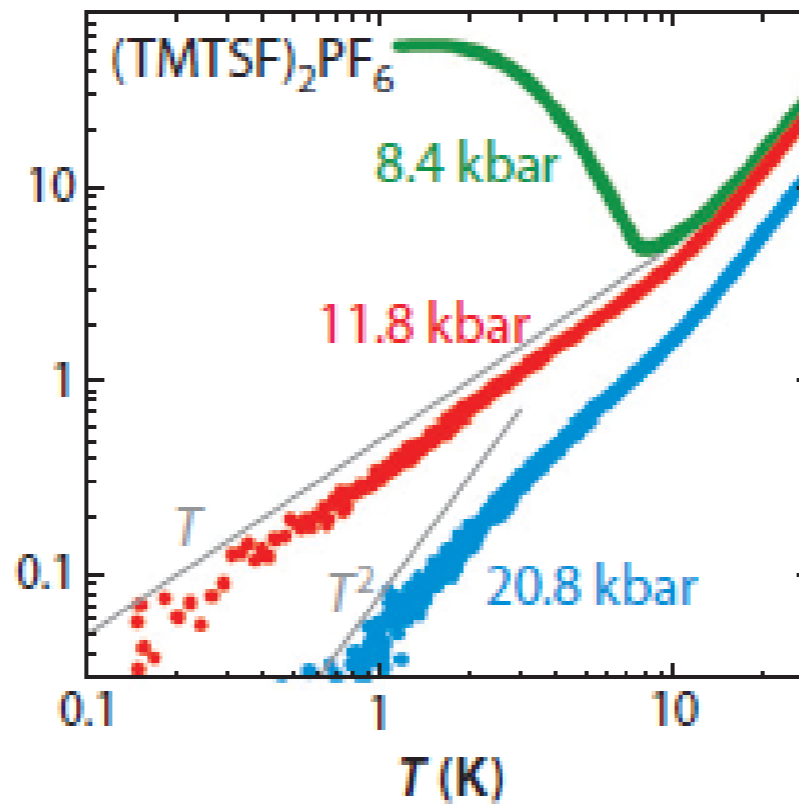
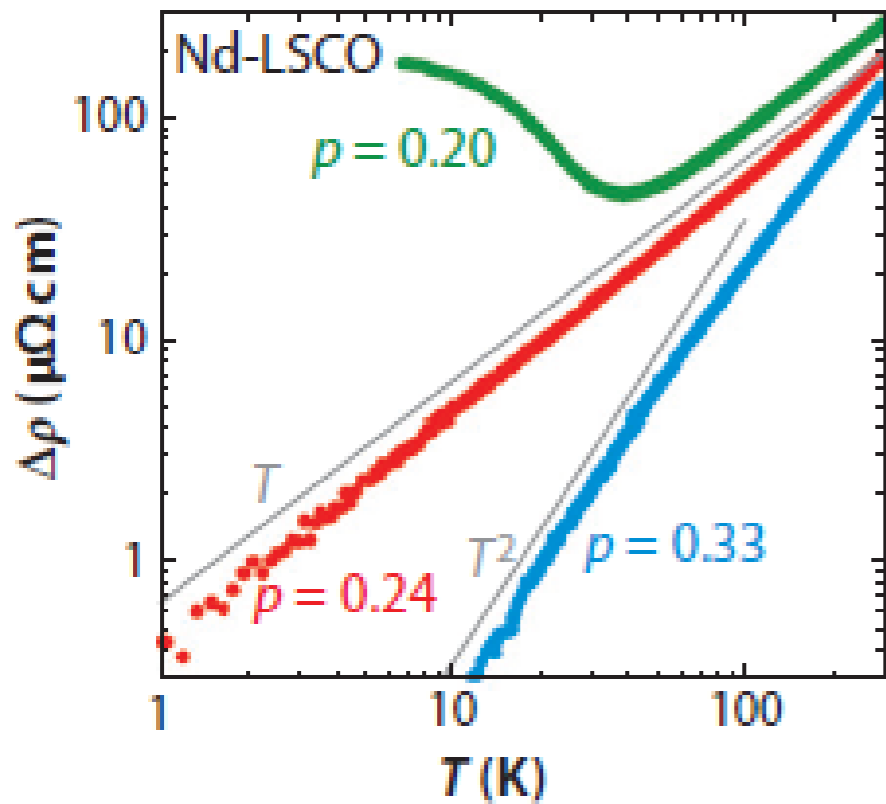
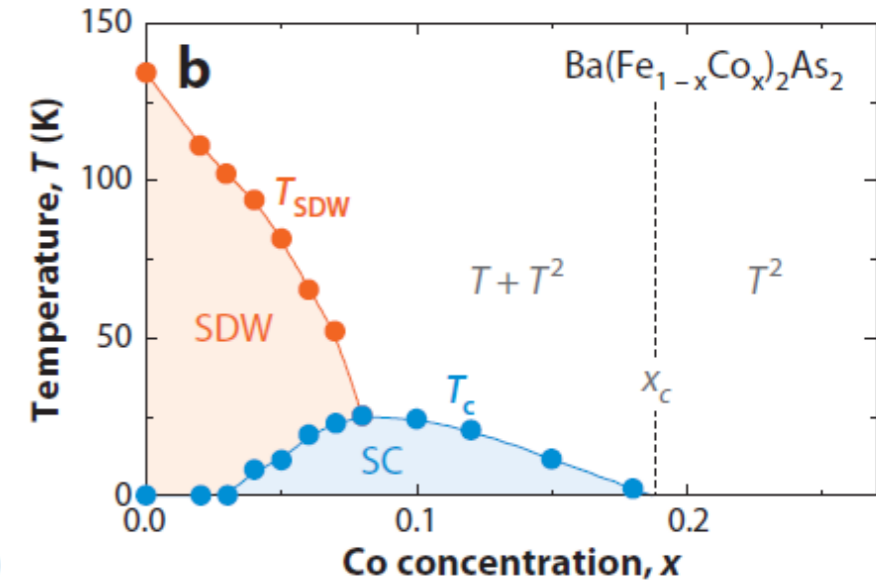
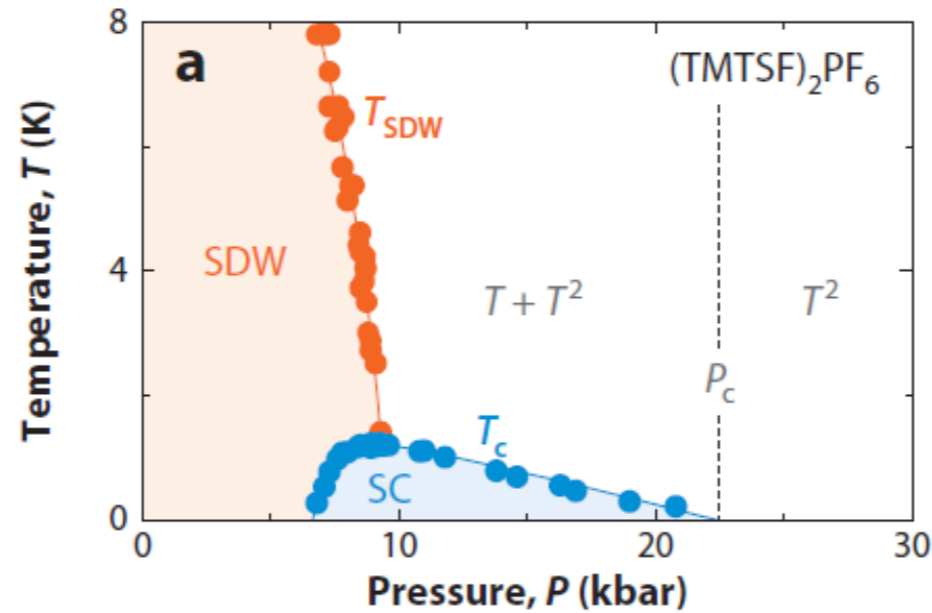
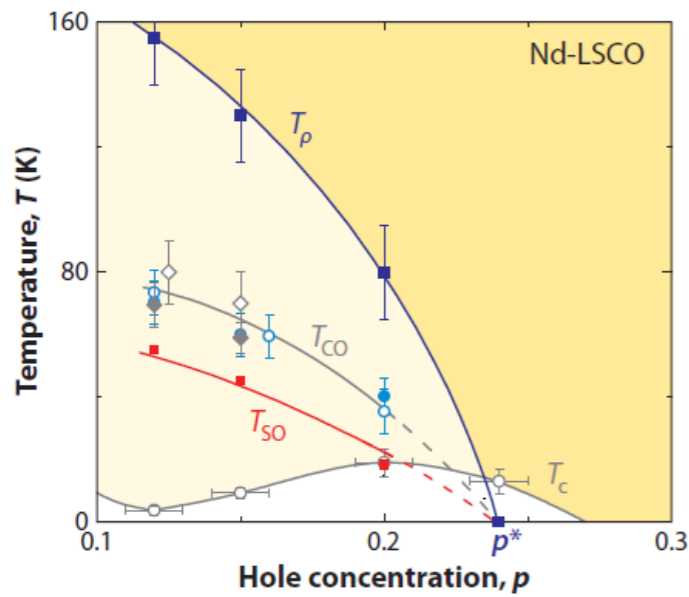
Strange Metal: linear-T resistivity



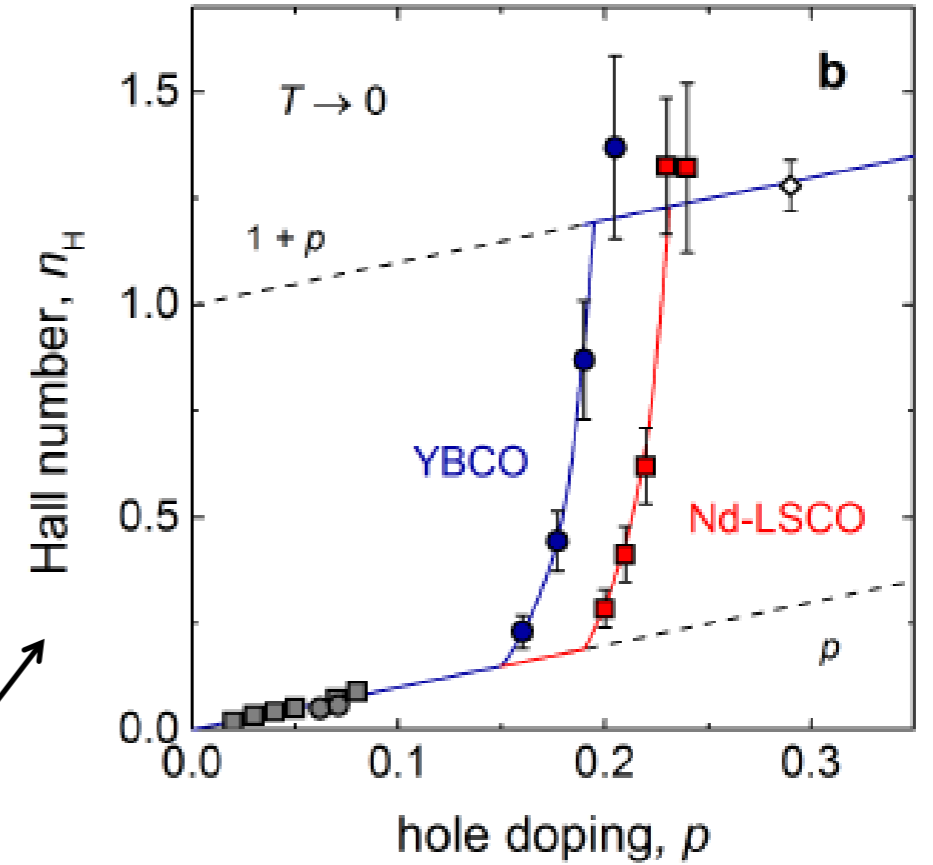
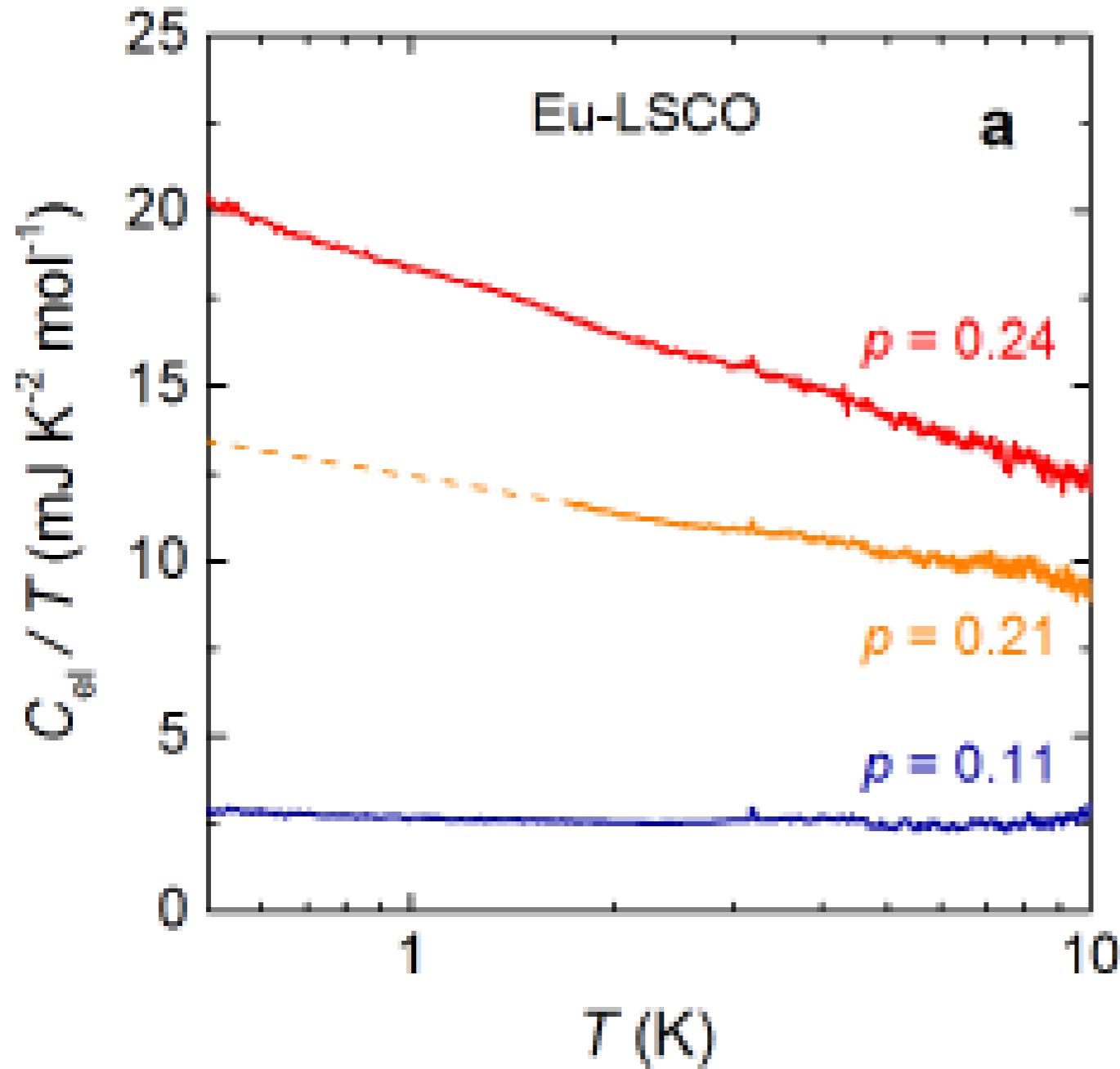
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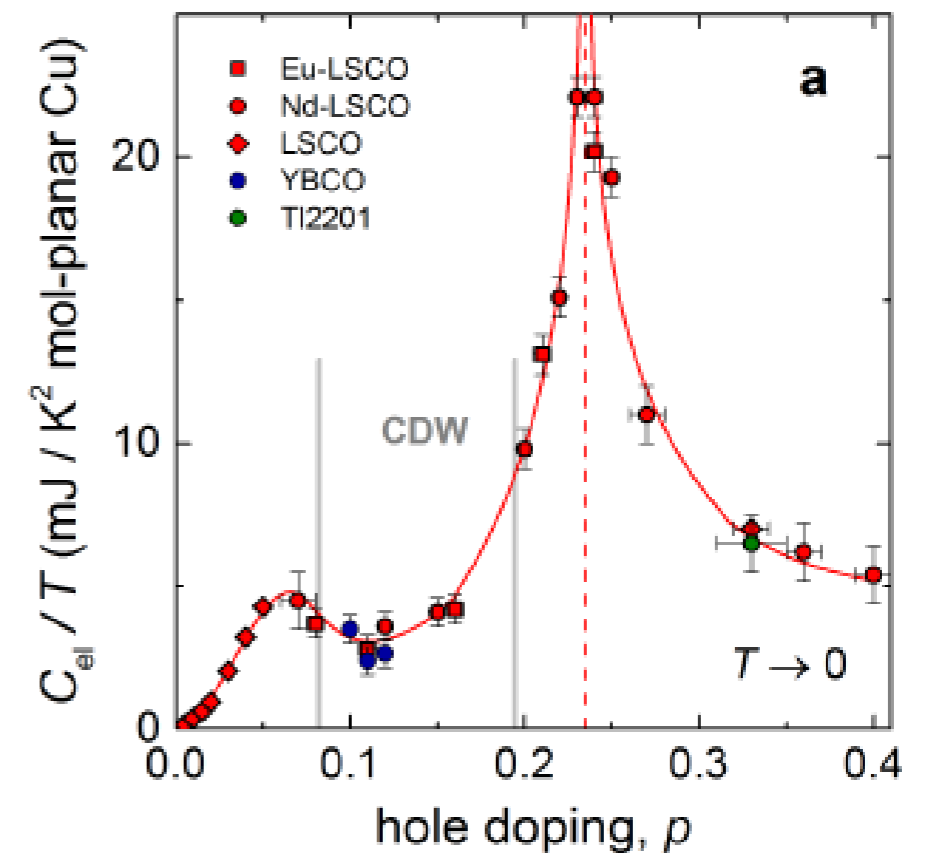
Generic, Ubiquitous across various correlated materials near phase transitions



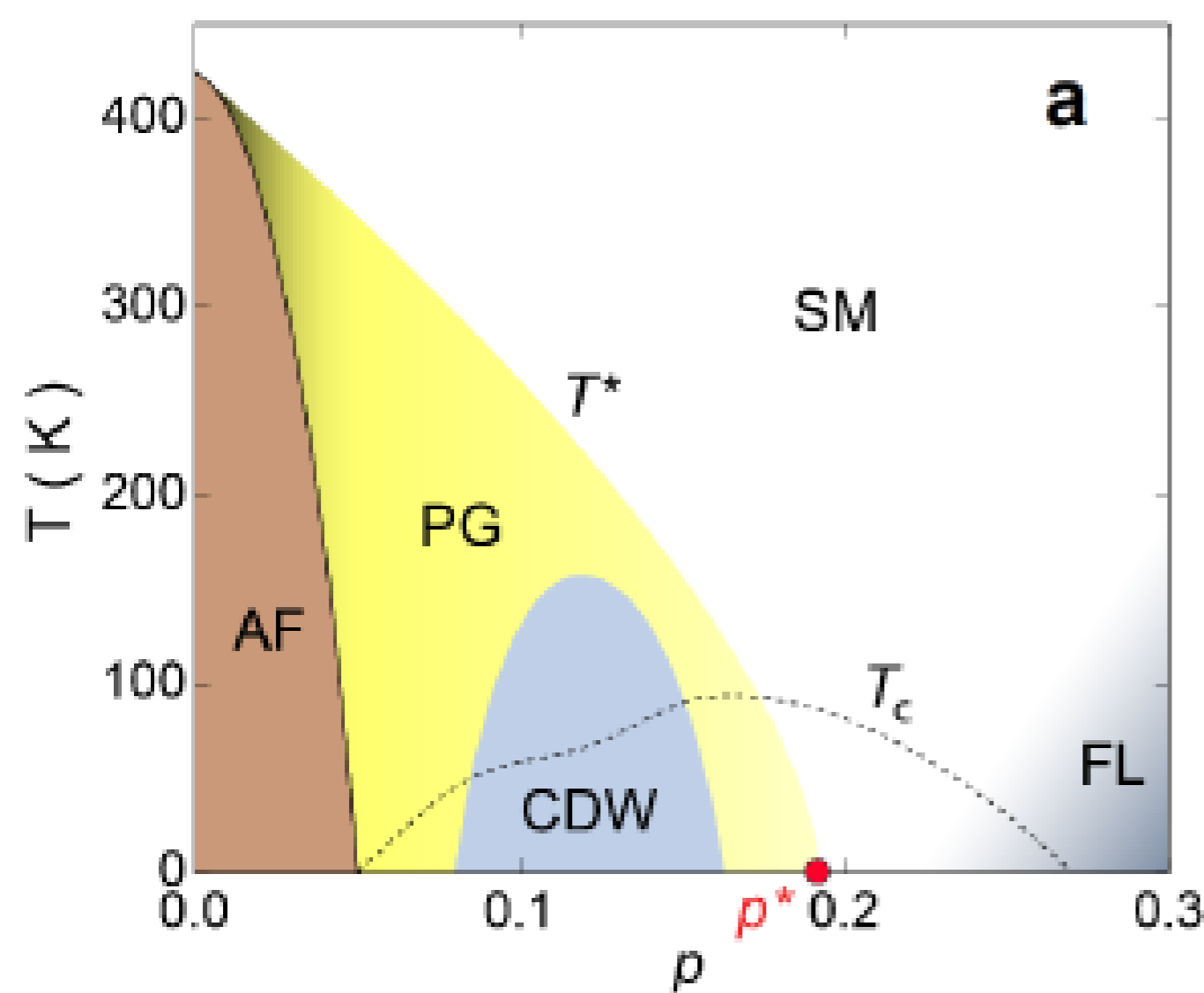
Strange Metal: T-logarithmic specific heat coefficient C_v/T



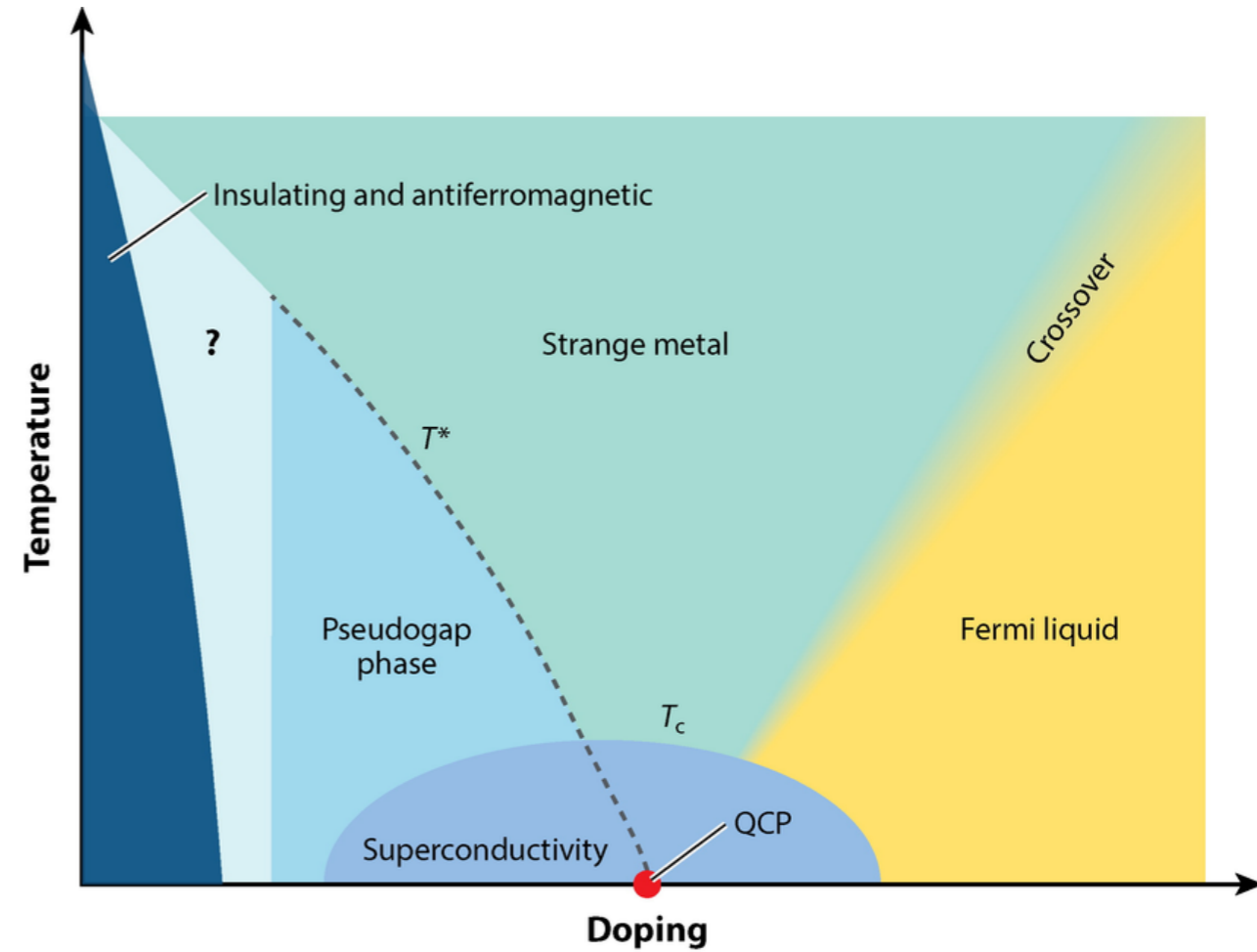
Signature of QCP?



Strange Metal Behaviours near Quantum Phase Transitions and superconductivity: High-Tc cuprate superconductors



L. Taillefer, Ann Rev. 2010



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Origin of Strange Metal ?

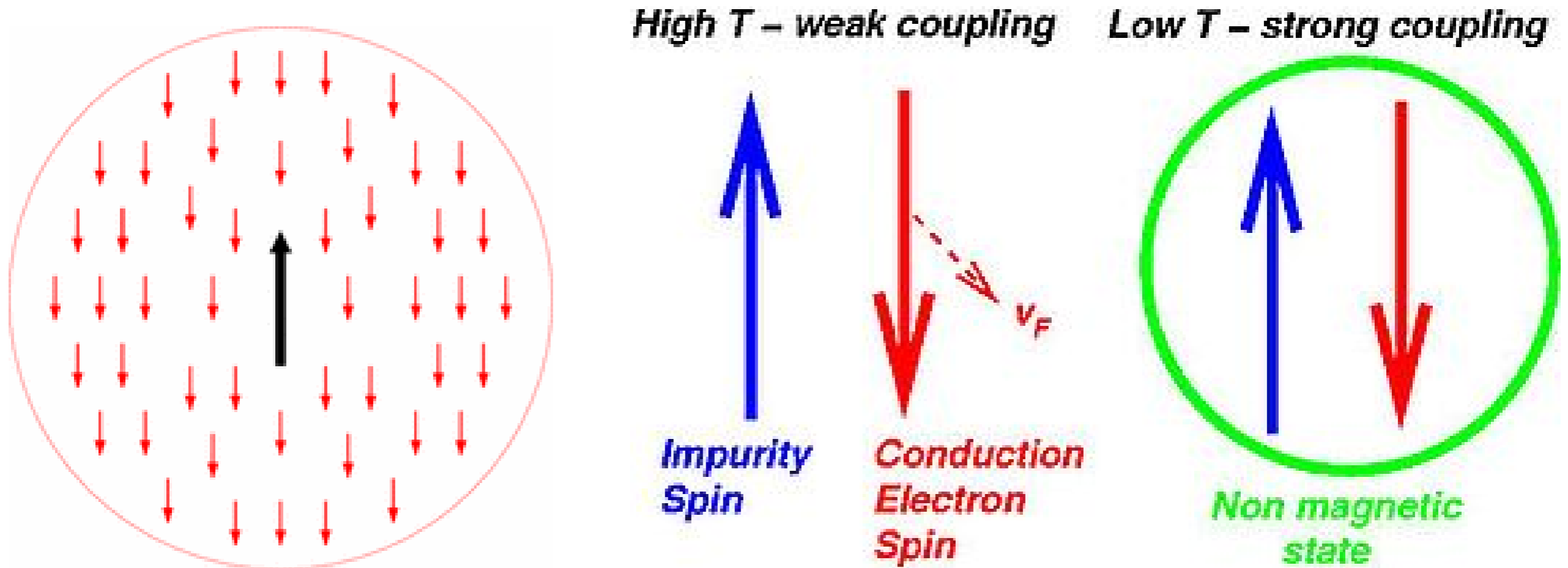
SM phase (new ground state)

SM region (single QCP)

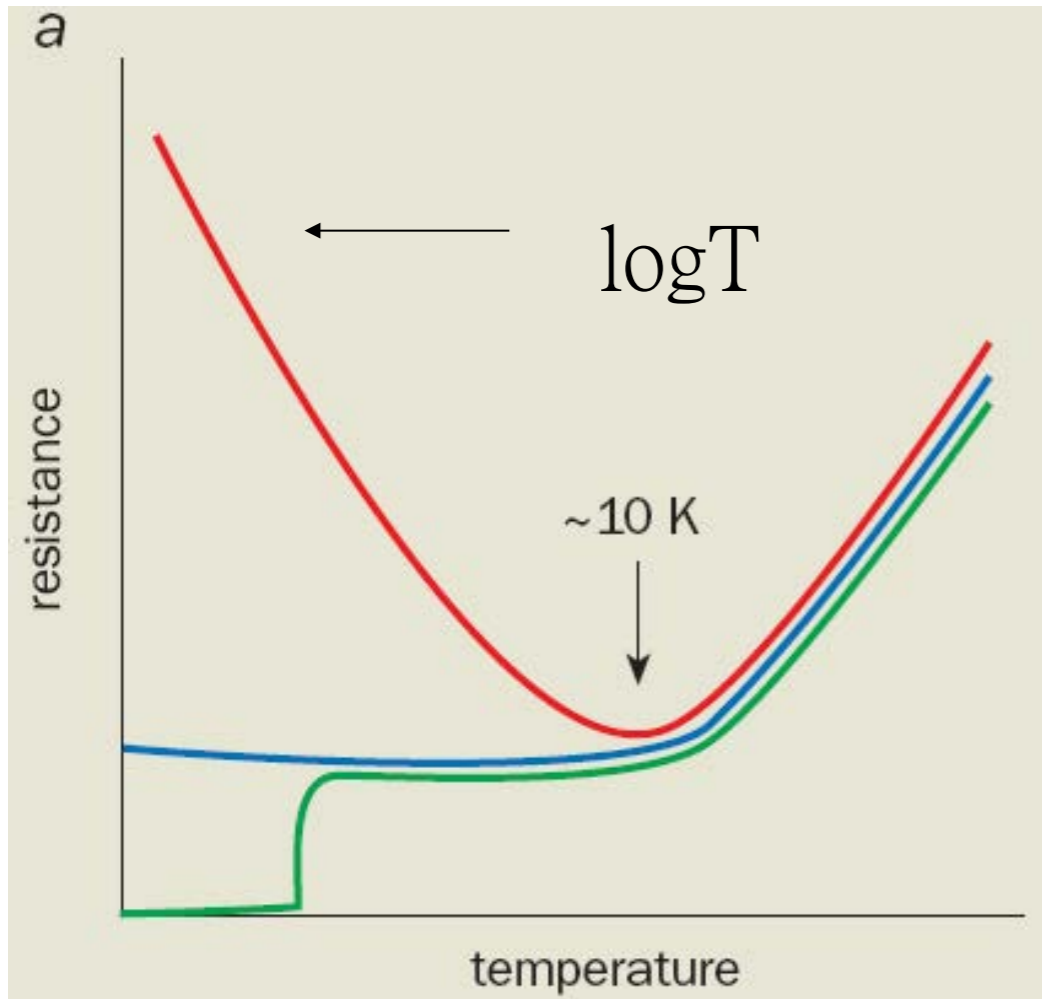
Debatable Open Question !

Strong correlations--Kondo Effect in metals with magnetic impurity

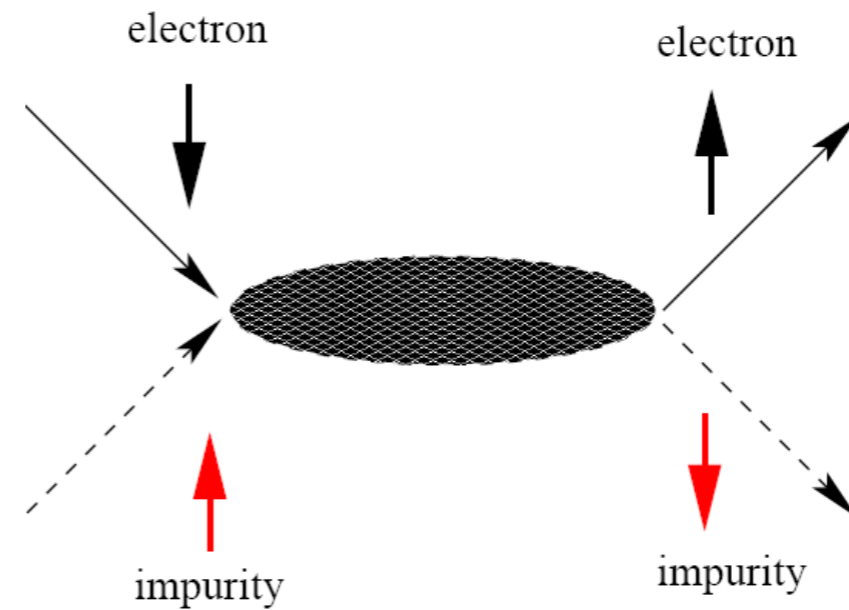
Anti-ferromagnetic spin-exchange between conduction electrons and local impurity spins



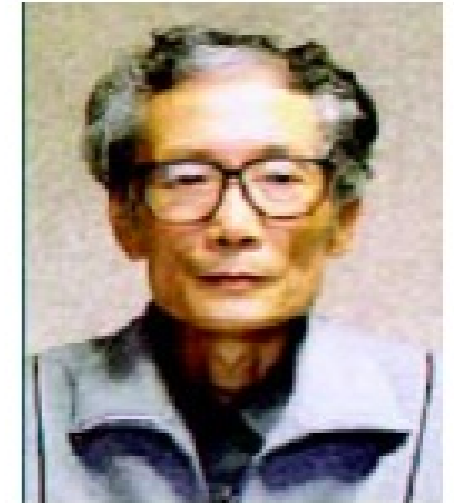
Kondo effect in metals with magnetic impurities



(Glazman *et al. Physics world 2001*)



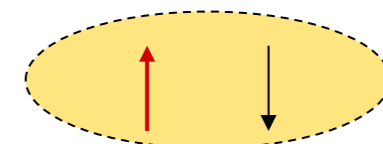
electron-impurity spin-flip scattering



(Kondo, 1964)

For $T < T_k$ (Kondo Temperature), spin-flip scattering off impurities enhances

Kondo singlet $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\uparrow\downarrow\rangle - |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle)$

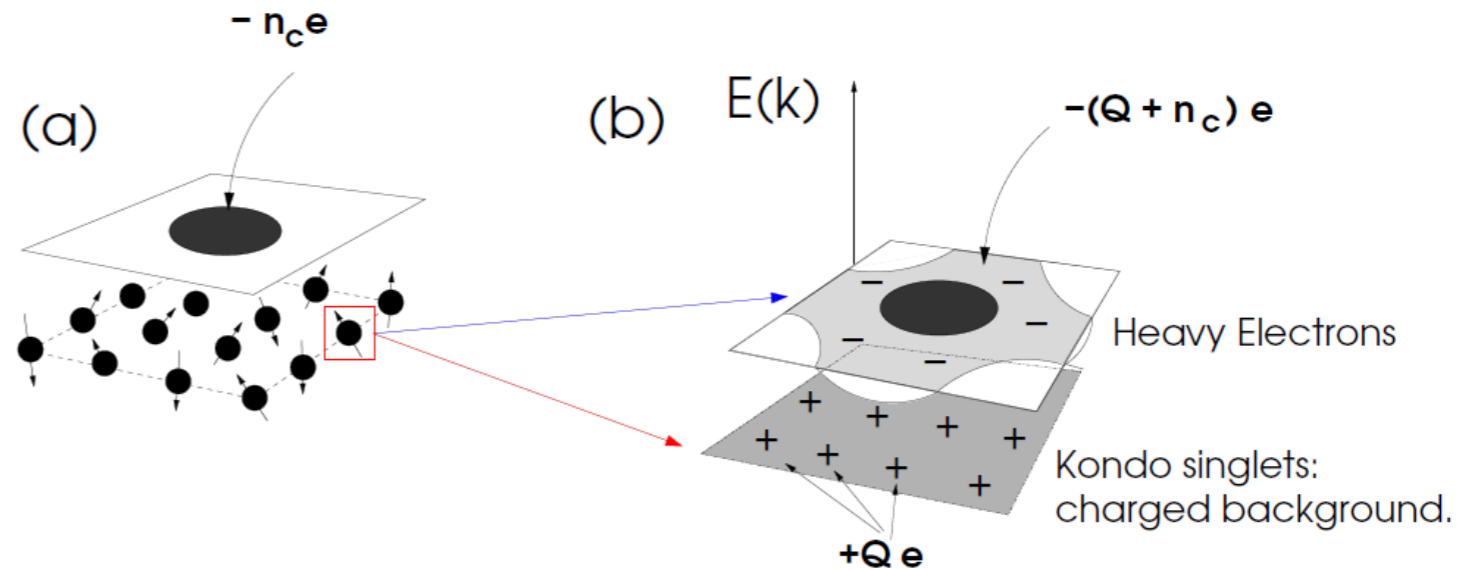
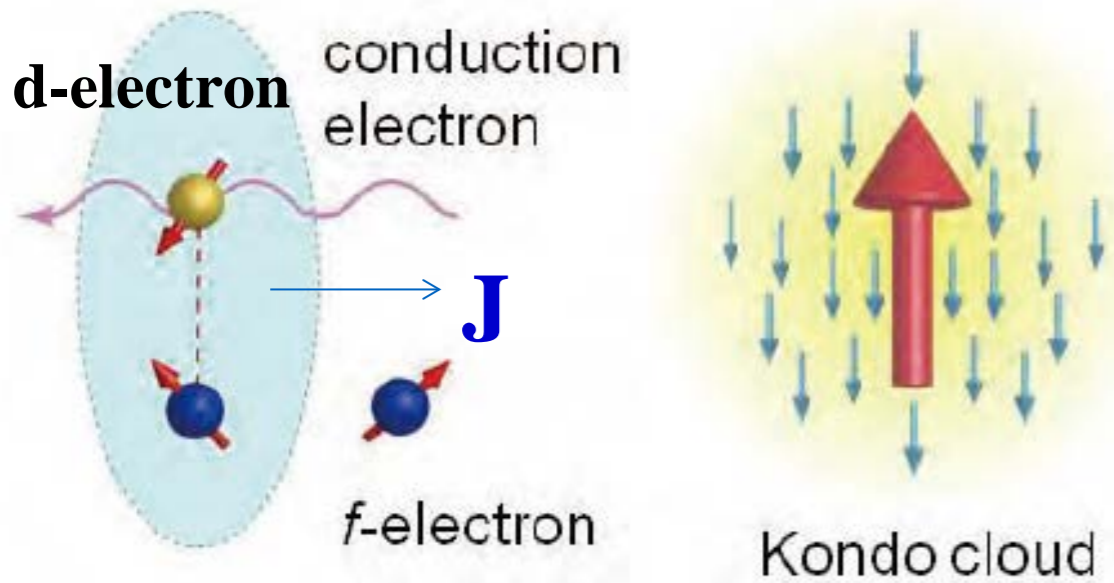


Resistance increases as T is lowered

Kondo effect on a lattice: Kondo lattice

Matsuda, AAPS Bulletin 2017

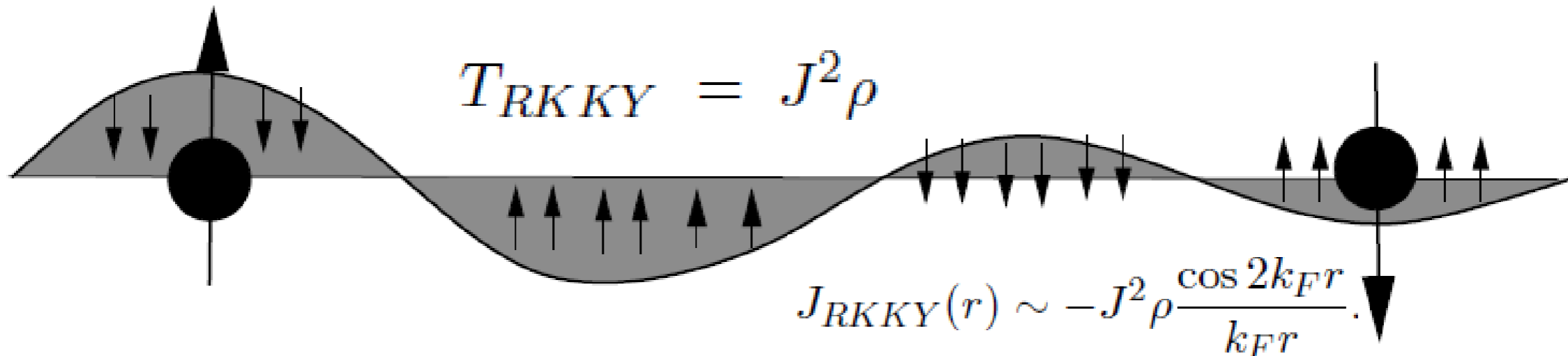
P. Coleman, Magnetism and Advanced Magnetic Materials, 95-148 (2007).



$$T_K = D e^{-1/(2J\rho)}$$

heavy fermi-liquid via Kondo effect

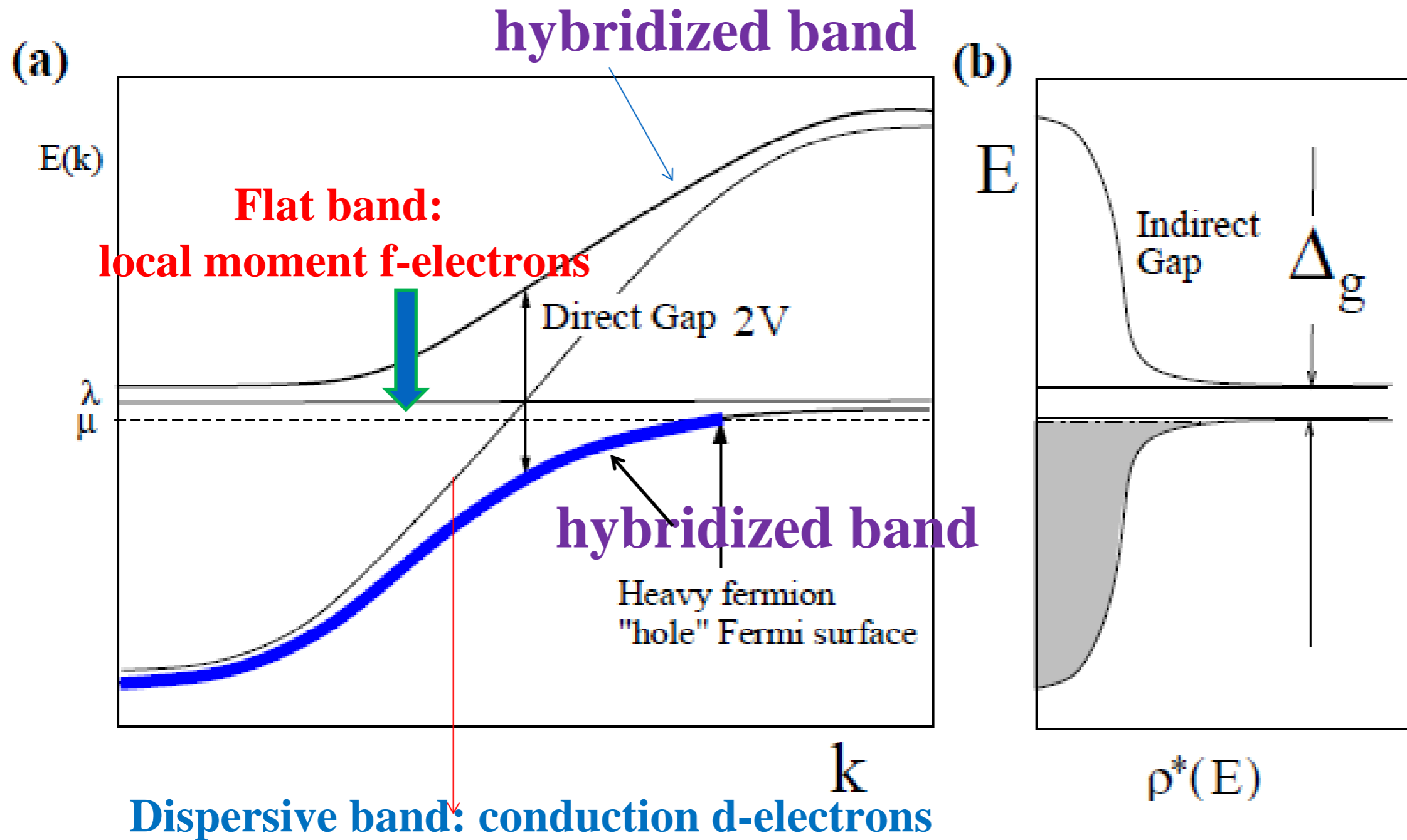
Antiferromagnetic RKKY coupling



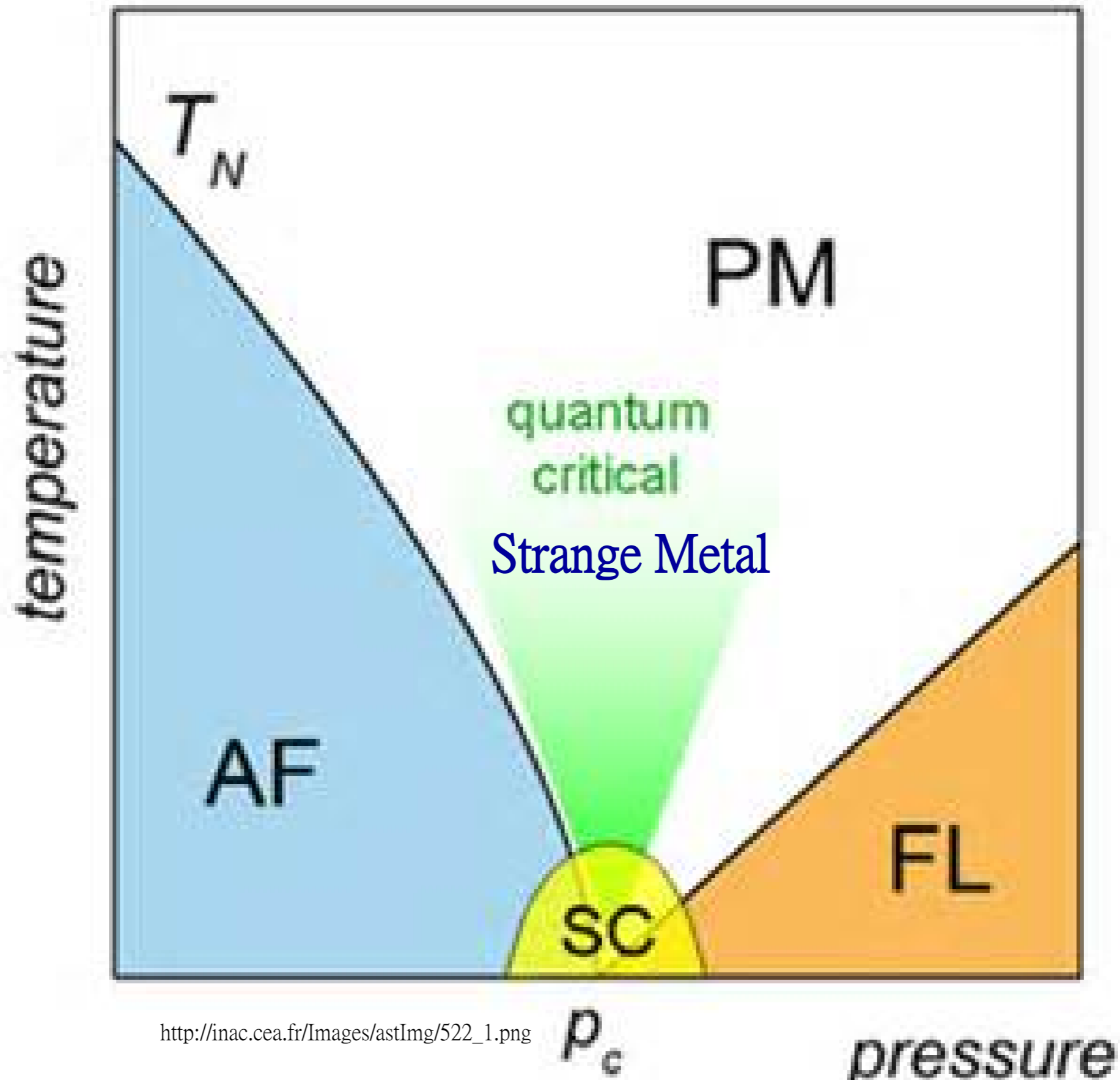
dilute magnetic metal ions, the oscillatory RKKY \rightarrow “spin glass”.

dense systems, the RKKY \rightarrow ordered antiferromagnetic state

Kondo Hybridization in heavy-fermion systems



**Strange Metal Behaviours near Quantum Phase Transitions and superconductivity:
Heavy-fermion metals/superconductors**



To address the strange metal physics, we must find out :

What are the key quantum critical fluctuations?

In heavy fermion systems, they are:

Bosonic Kondo (charge) fluctuations

Bosonic RVB sin liquid (made of fermionic spinons)

Mechanism of strange metal state near a heavy-fermion quantum critical point

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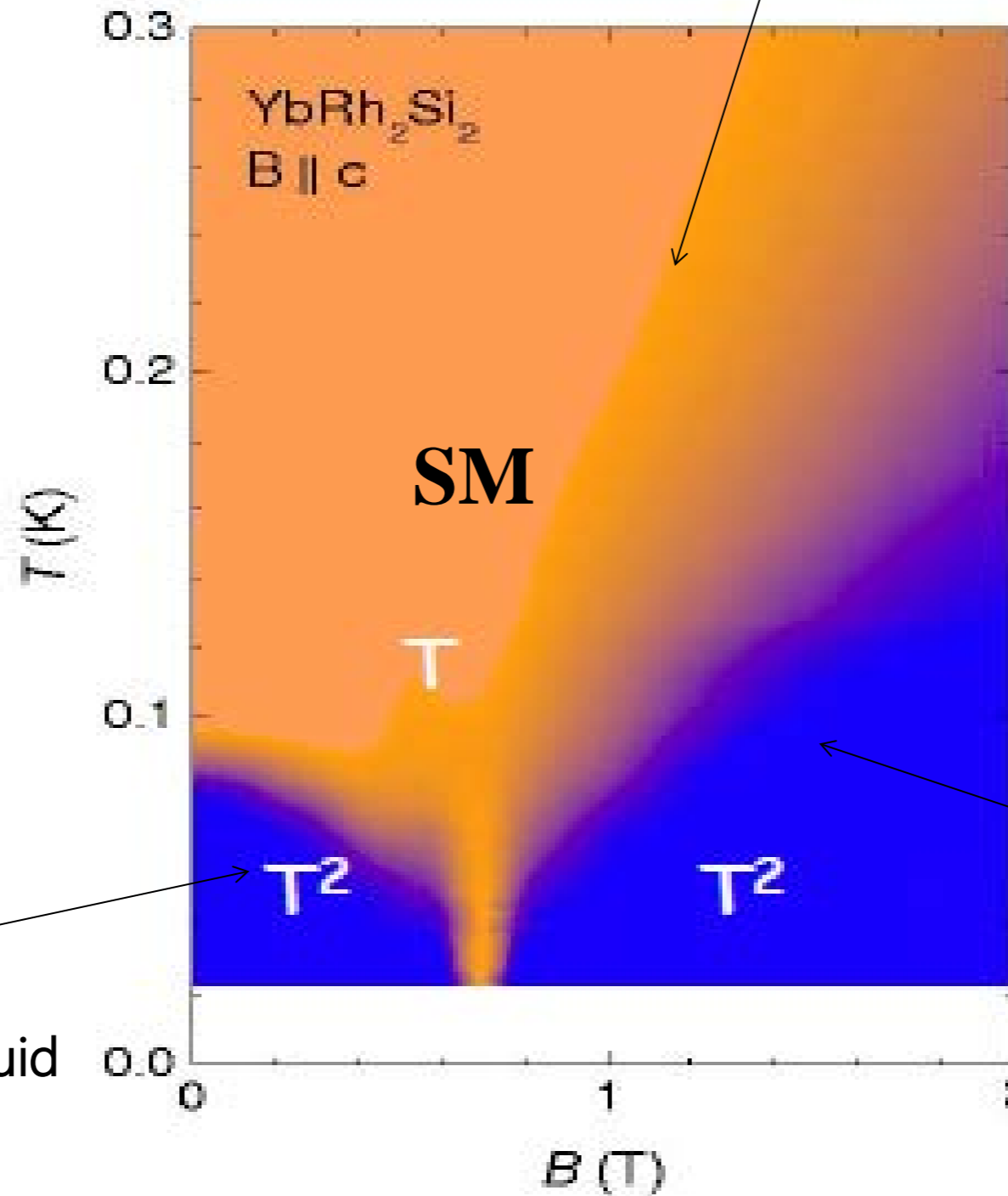
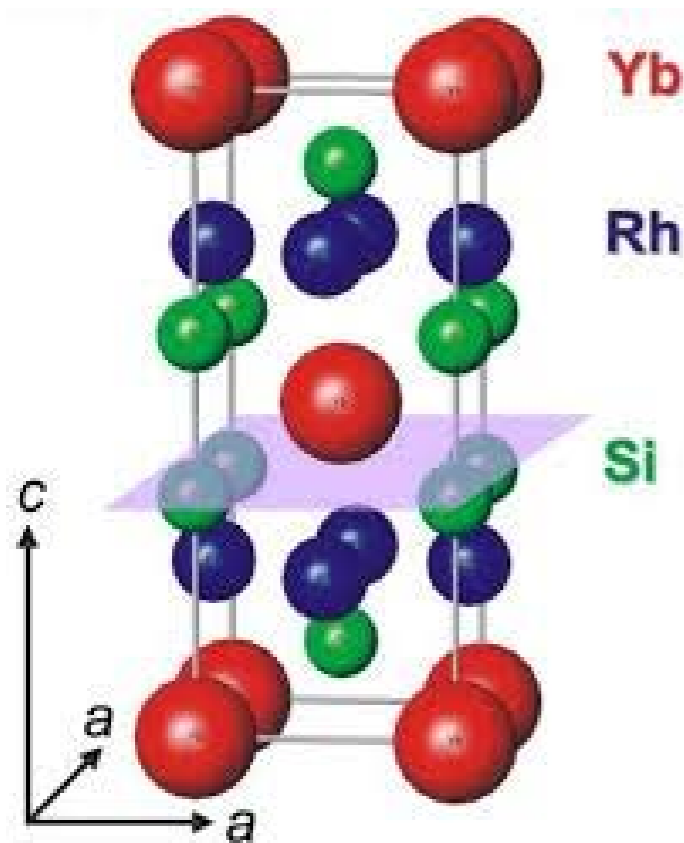


Strange Metal (SM) near a AF quantum critical point (QCP)

heavy fermion Kondo lattice systems YbRh_2Si_2

$\text{Yb}: 4f, 5d$

$\text{Rh}: 4d$



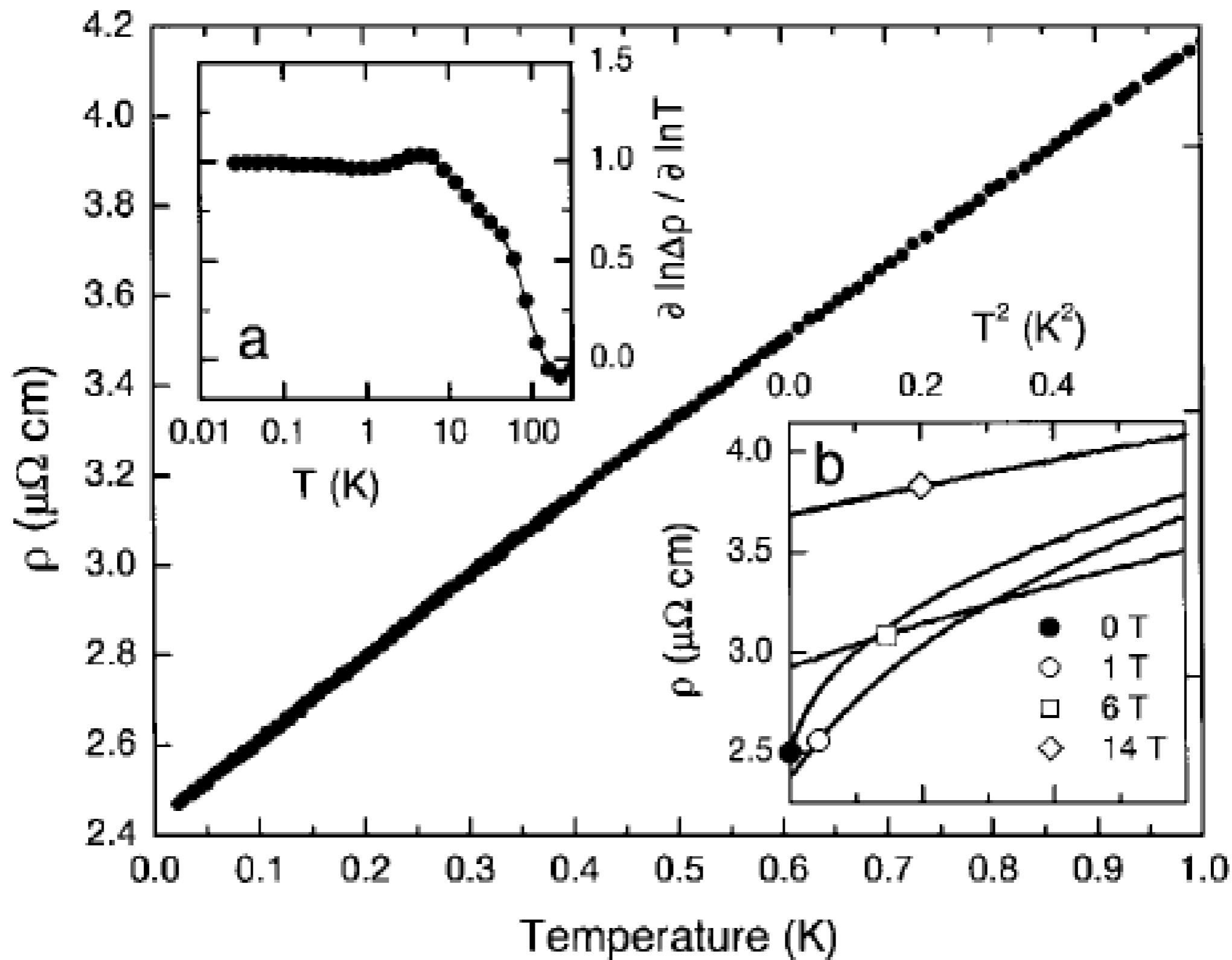
quantum critical non-Fermi-liquid

Paramagnetic heavy Fermi liquid

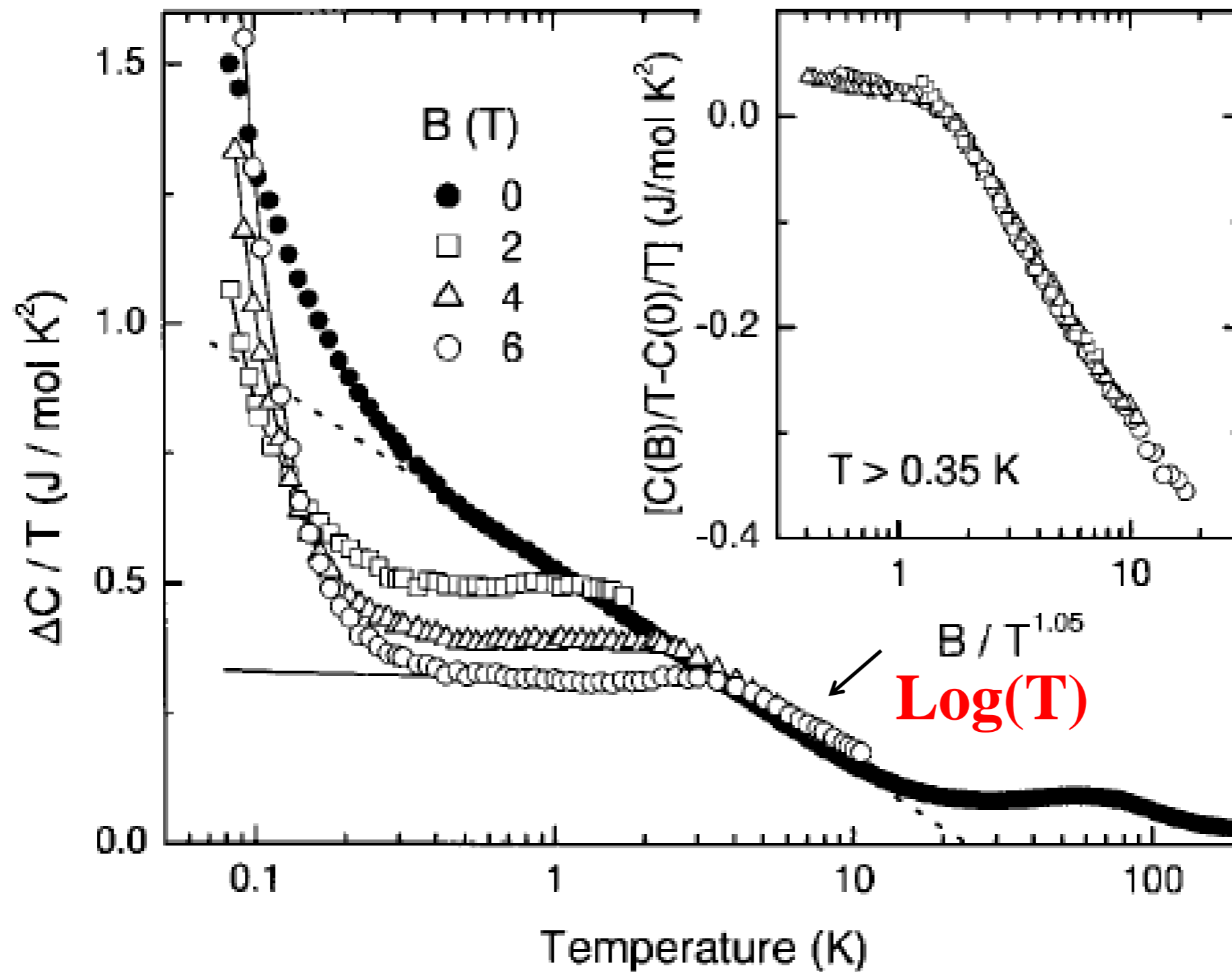
Anti-ferromagnetic Fermi liquid

Gegenwart et al (2002)
Custers et al (2003).

T-linear resistivity: YbRh₂Si₂



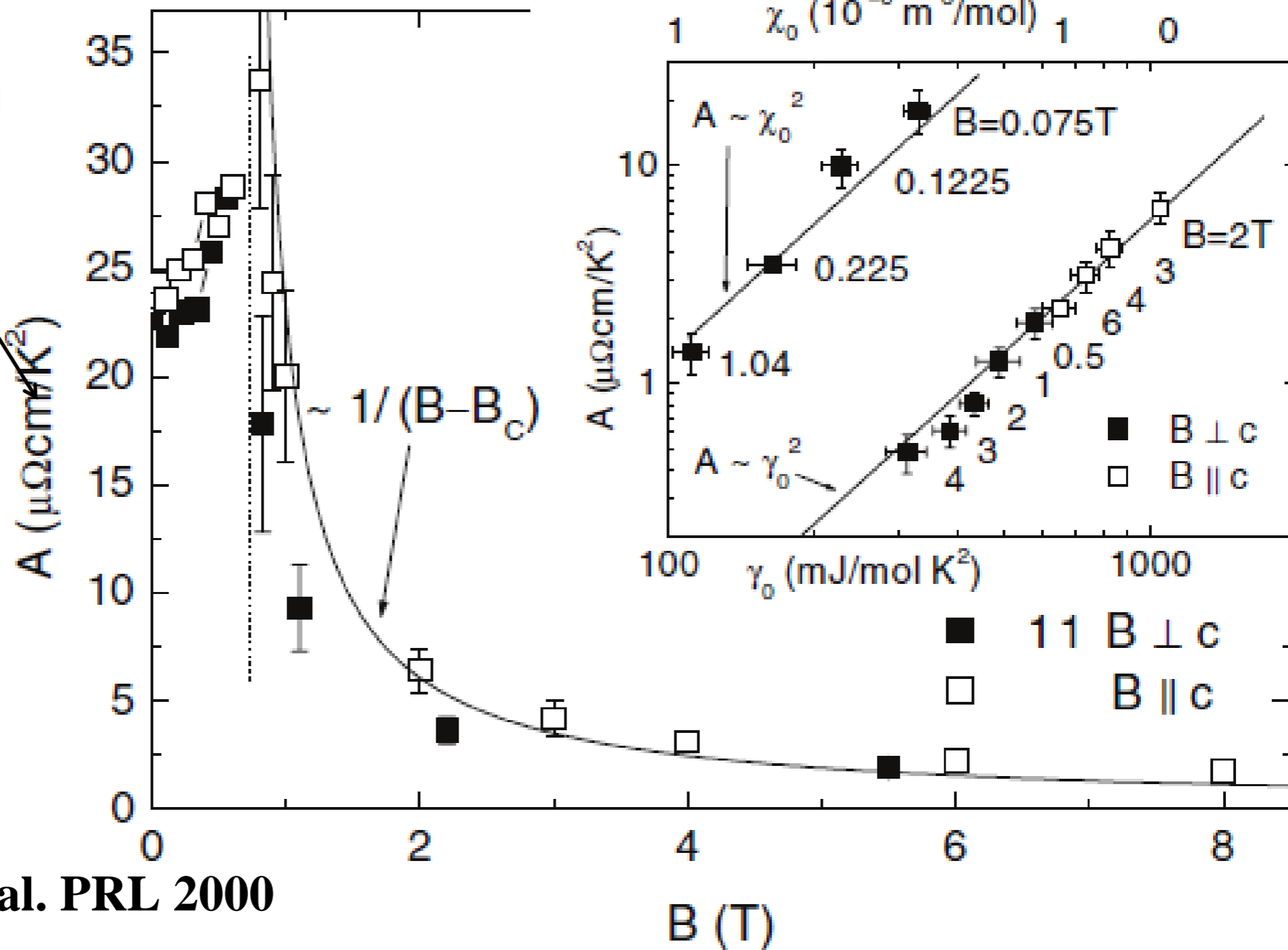
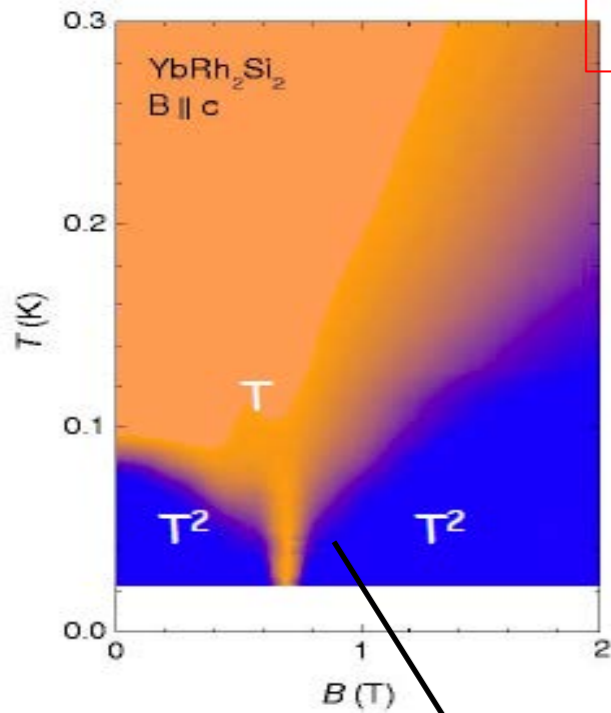
Specific heat coefficient: T-logarithmic YbRh₂Si₂



Divergence of A-coefficient and effective mass near QCP

$$\Delta\rho = A(B)T^2 \quad A \sim (m^*)^2 \sim 1/|B-B_c|$$

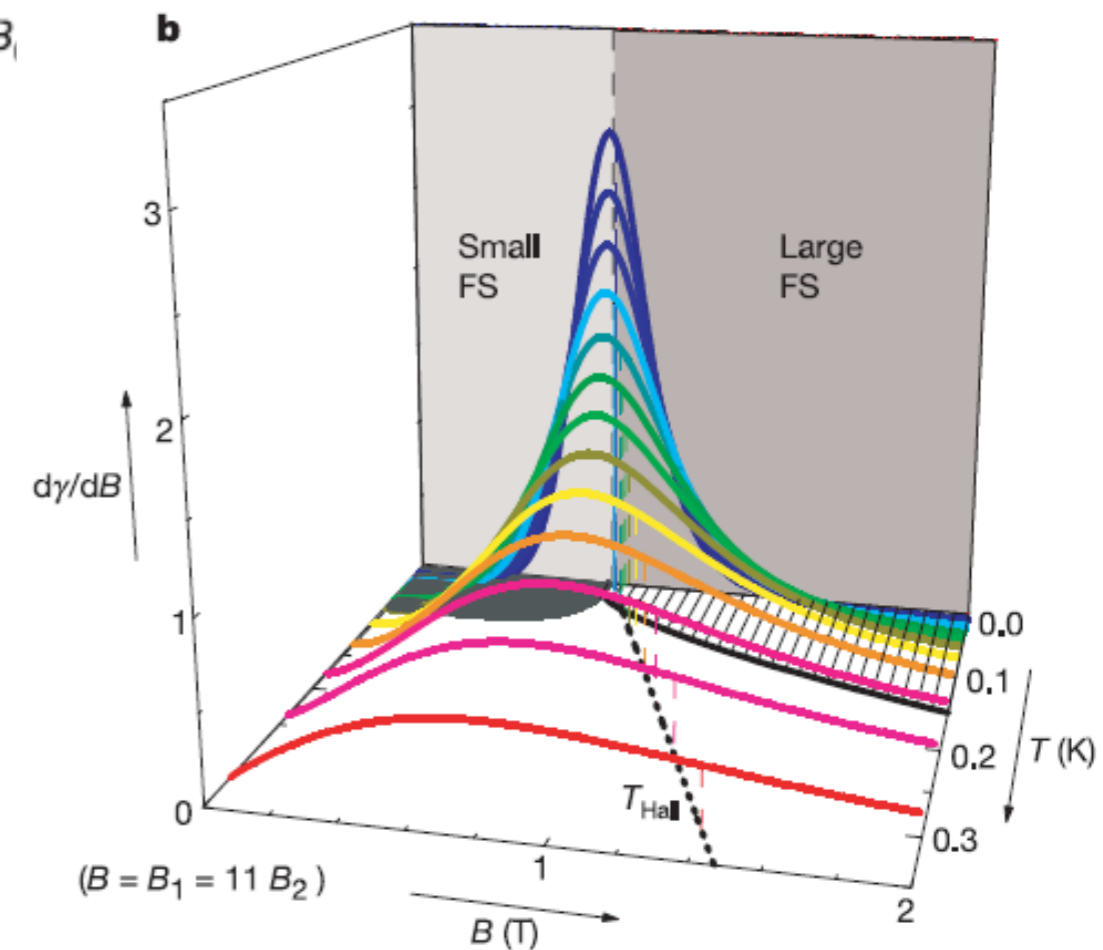
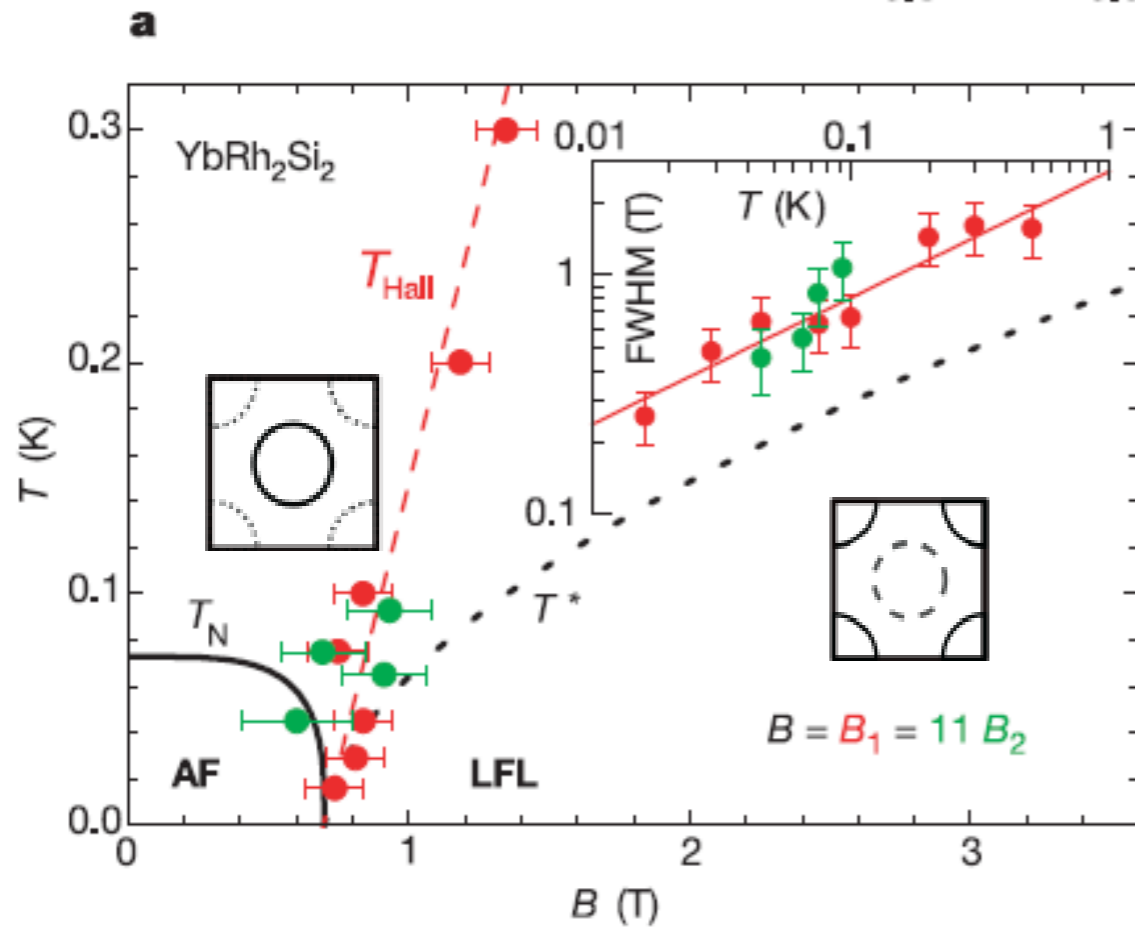
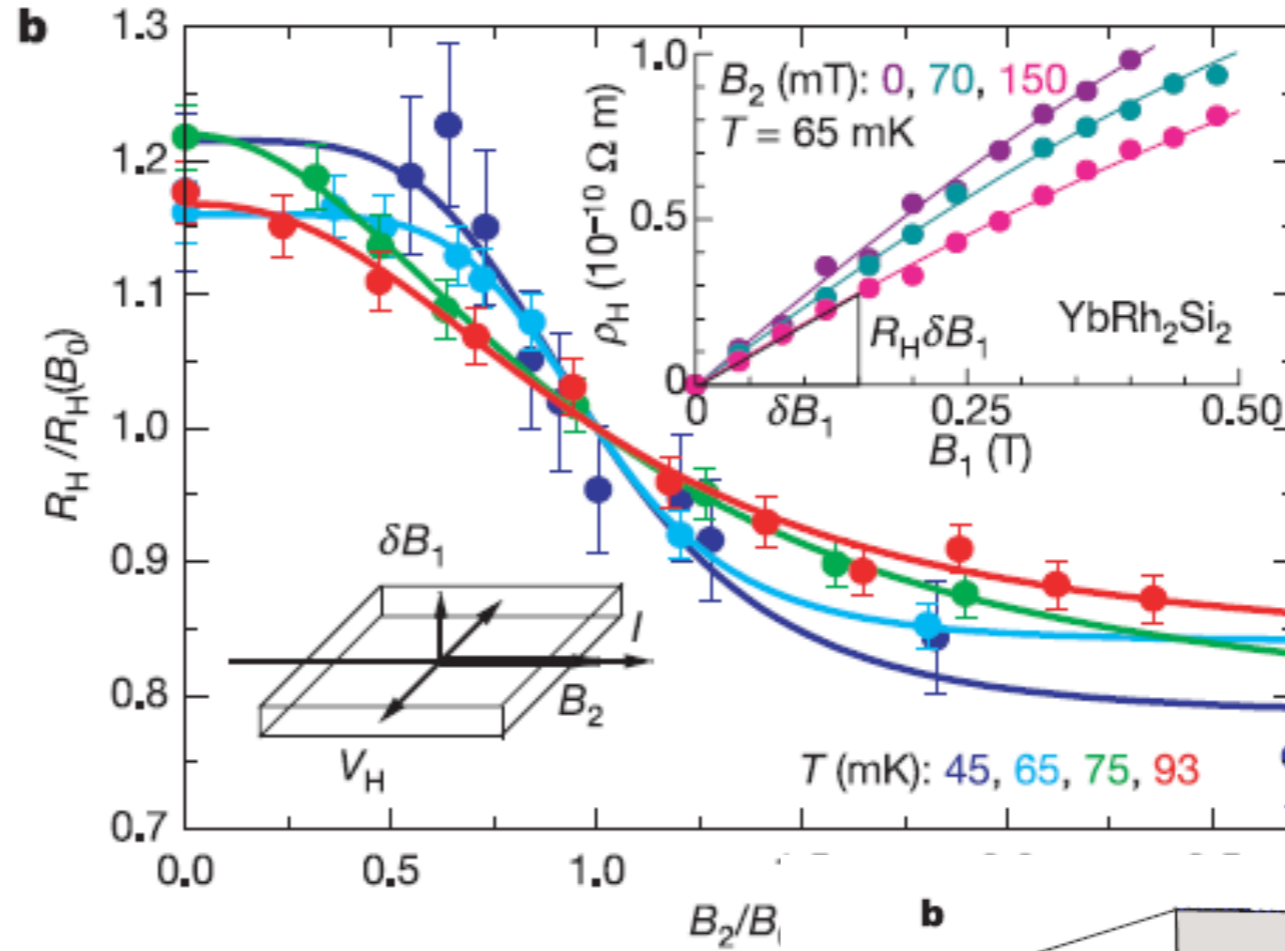
$A \sim$ quasiparticle-quasiparticle scattering cross-section



Jump in Fermi surface volume at QCP for $T \rightarrow 0$ for YRS

S. Paschen et al.,
Nature (2004)

R_H : Hall coefficient $\sim 1/V_{FS}$

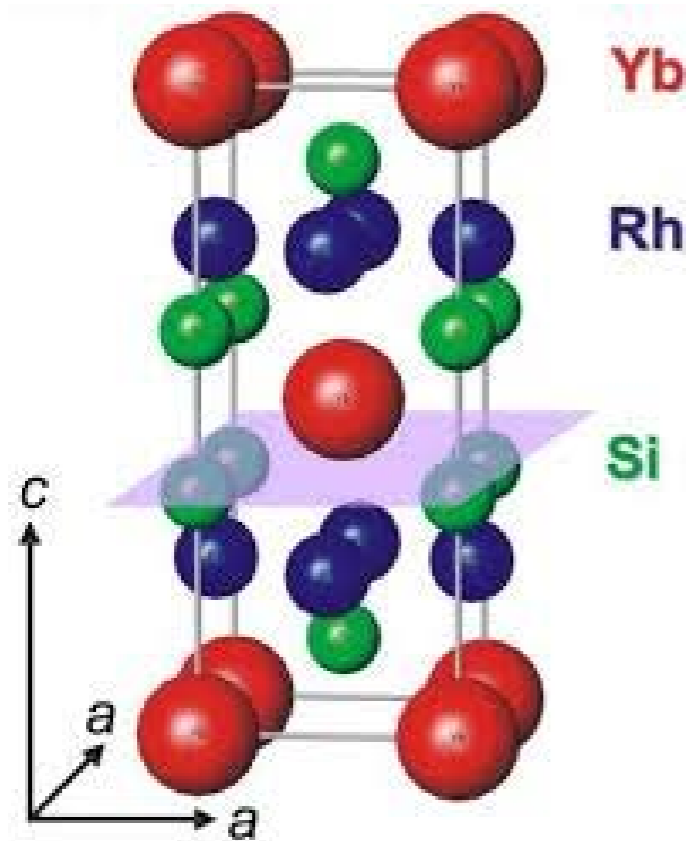


Phase diagram - Ge-doped YbRh_2Si_2

Heavy fermions :

Yb : 4f, 5d

Rh : 4d



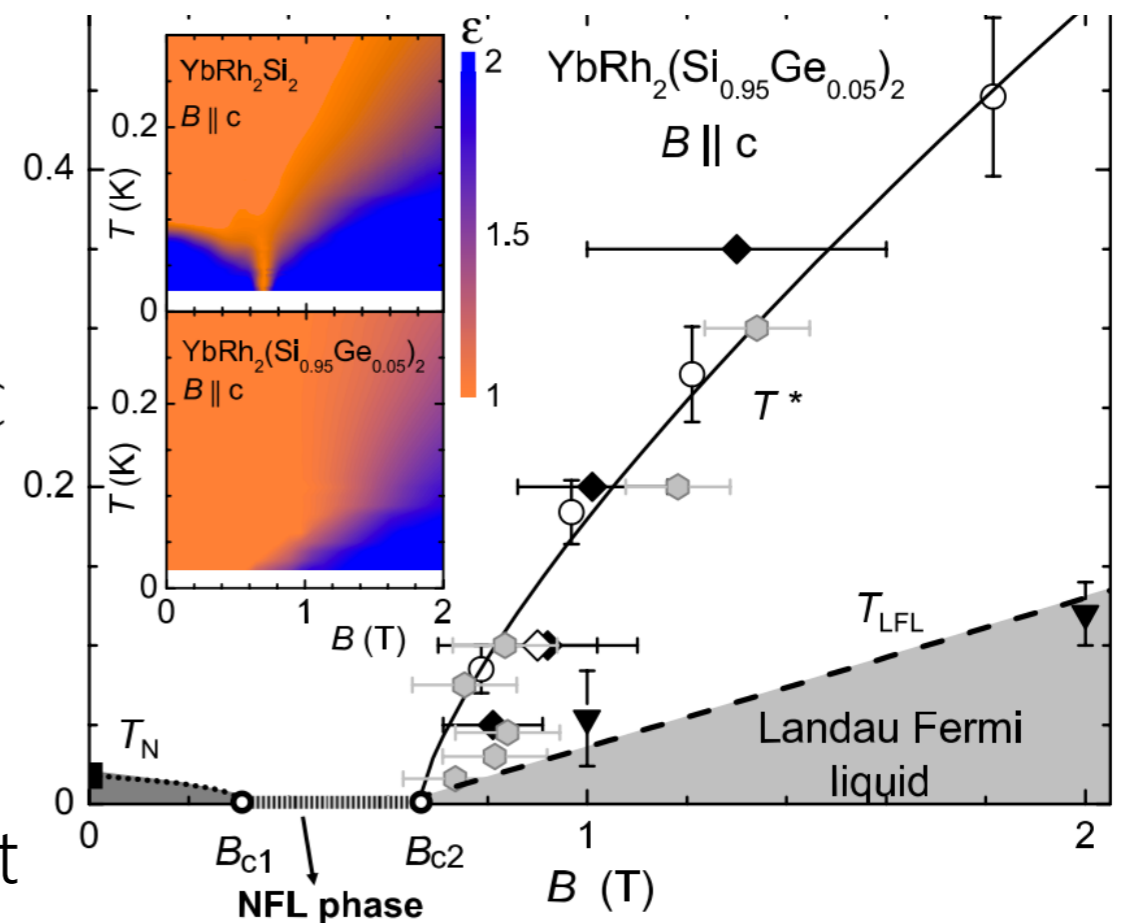
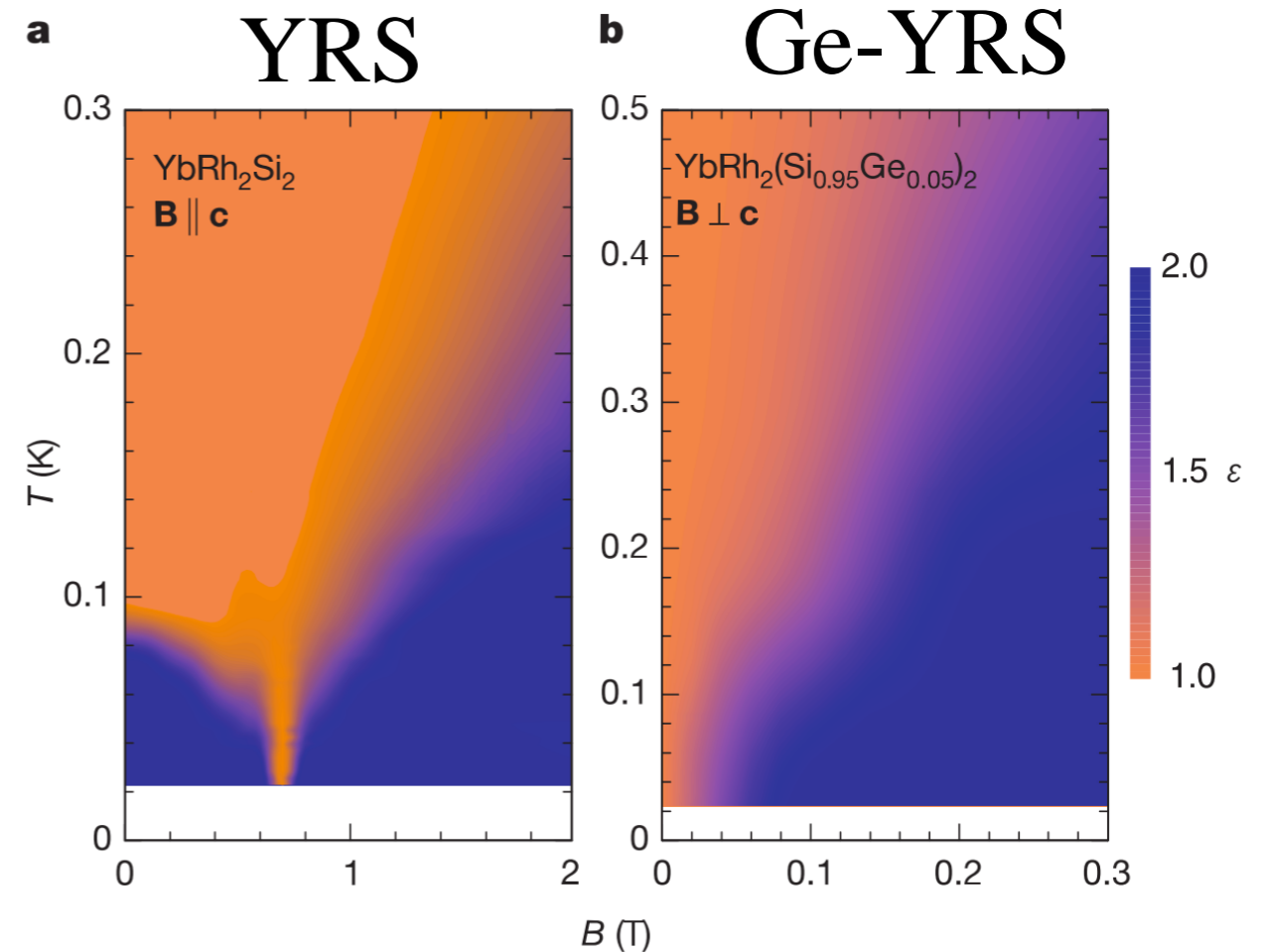
S. Wirth, JPCM, 2012

$$B_{c1} \sim 0.3\text{T}$$

$$B_{c2} \sim 0.66\text{T}$$

$$T_N \sim 18\text{mK}$$

Field-tuned \rightarrow
quantum critical point

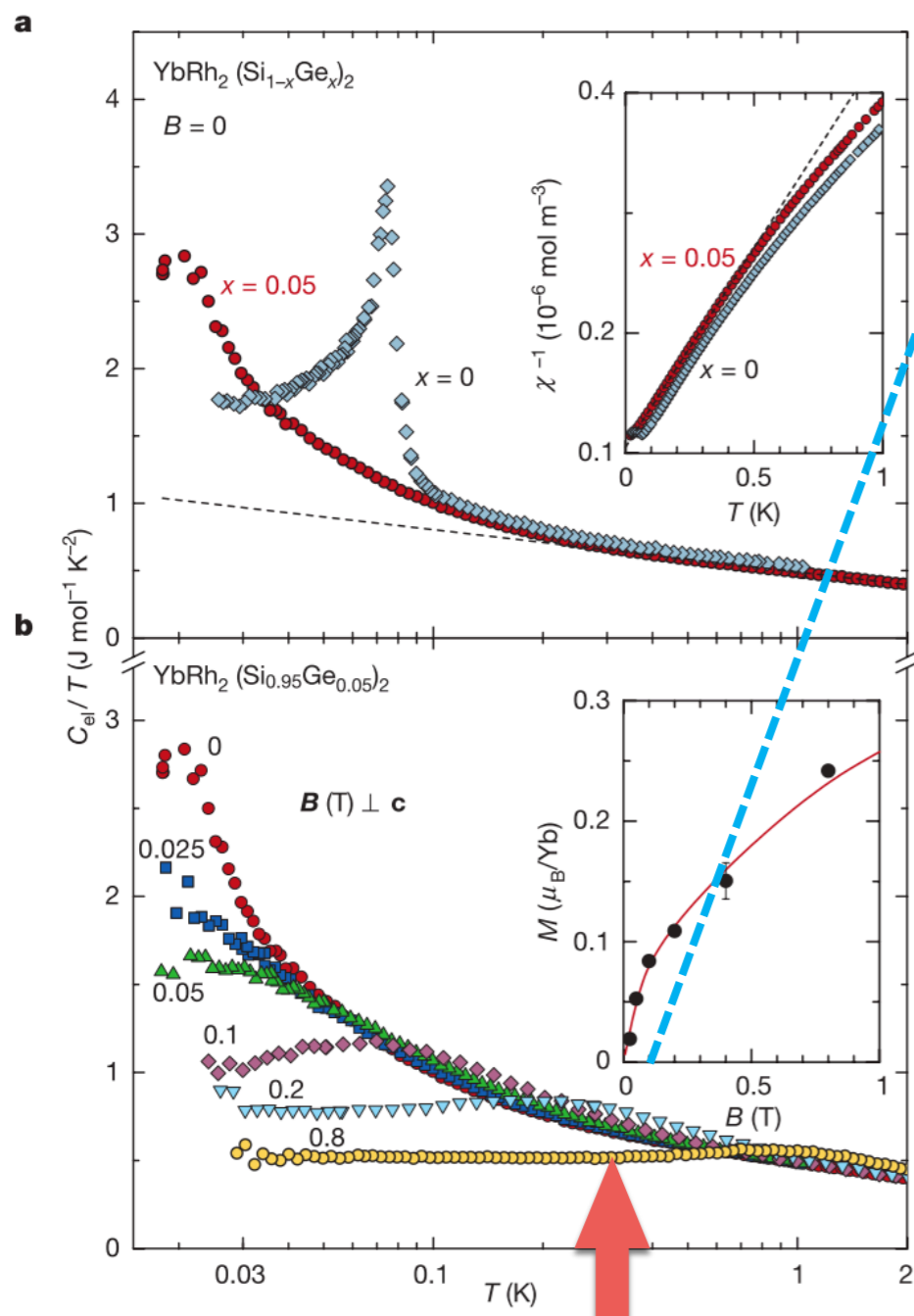


Custers, Nature, 2003, Custers, PRL, 2010

Non-Fermi Liquid Strange Metal Behaviors: Ge-YRS

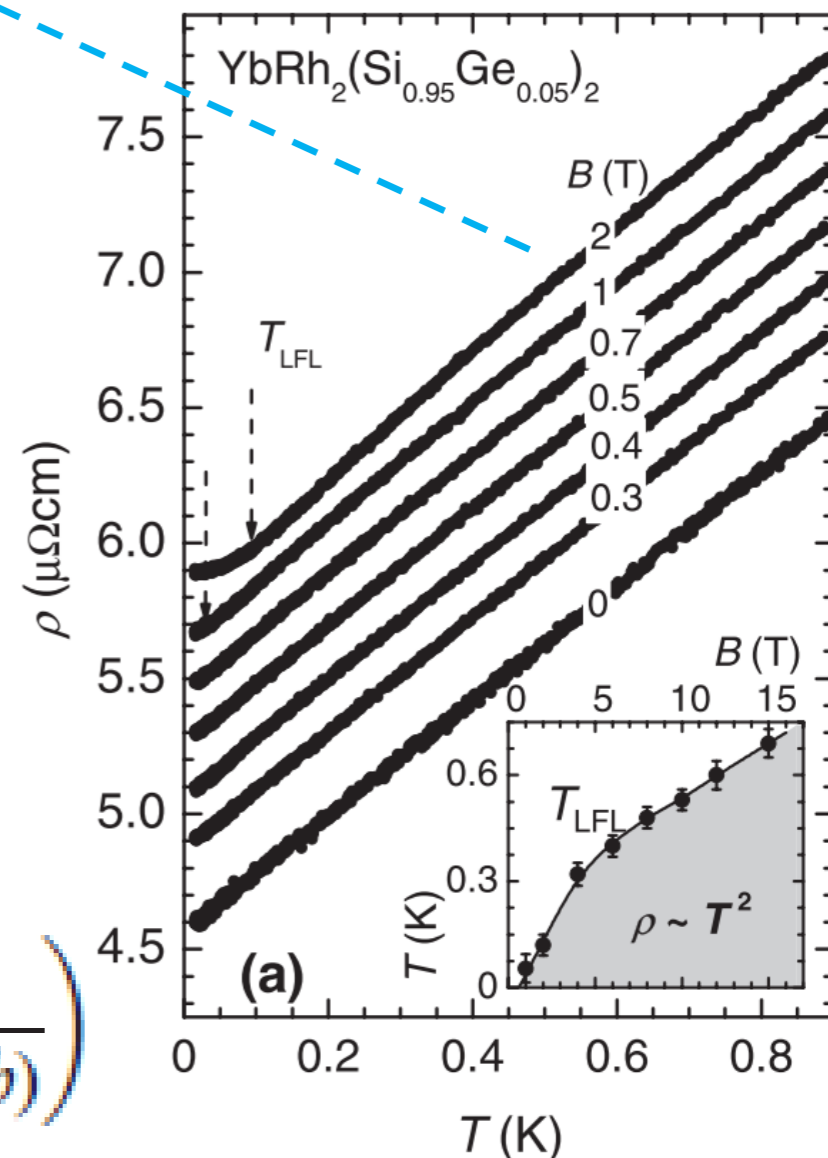
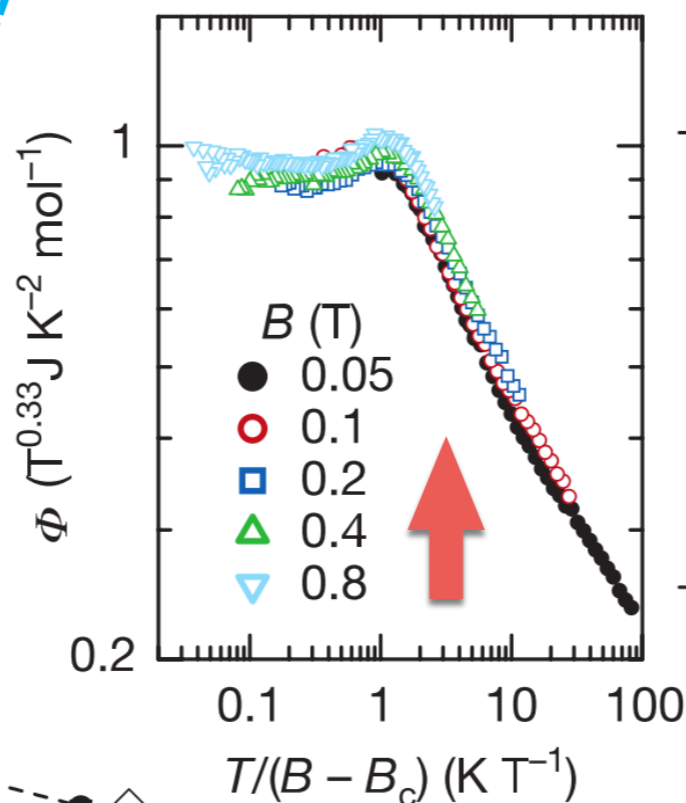
breakup of quasi-particles
spin (f)-charge (d) separation

Custers, et al., Nature, 2003
Custers, et al., PRL, 2010



$T < 0.3 \text{ K}$

$T < 10 \text{ K}$



$$\frac{C_V}{T} = \frac{1}{b^{1/3}} \Phi\left(\frac{T}{T_0(b)}\right)$$

$$\Phi(x) \approx (\max(x, 1))^{-1/3}$$

Power-law ($T^{-\alpha}$) + $\ln(T_0/T)$ —
Specific heat coefficient

Linear-in- T Resistivity

$T < 0.3 \text{ K}$

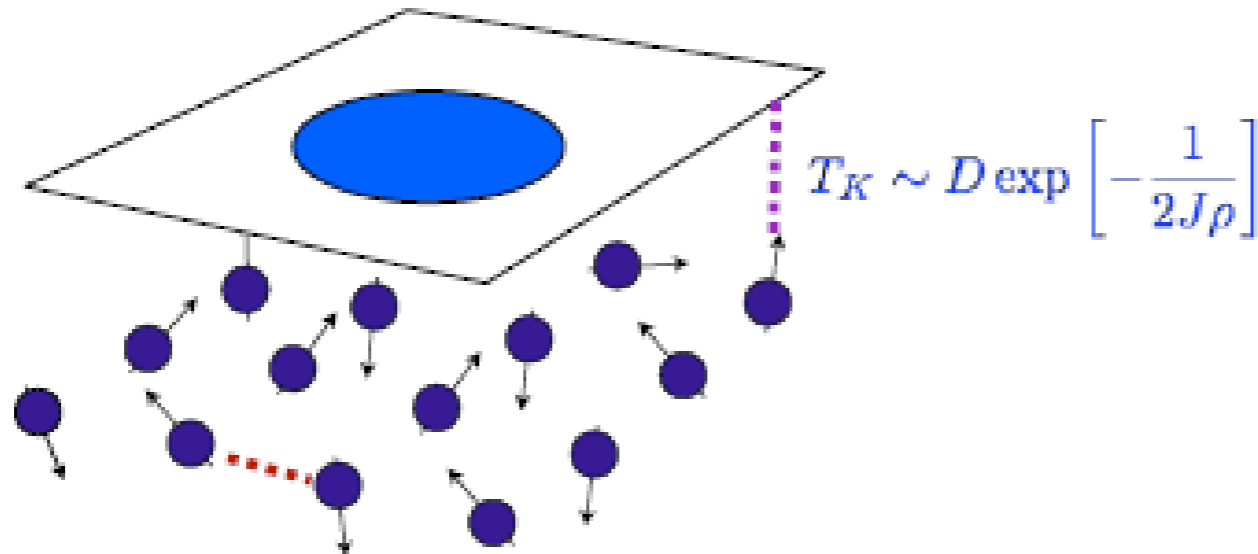
2D ~~SDW~~ $\gamma_{SDW} \propto \ln(1/b)$ $10\text{mK} < T < 10\text{K}$



DONIACH'S
Hypothesis.
Doniach (1977)

$$H = \sum_k \epsilon_k c_{k\sigma}^\dagger c_{k\sigma} + J \sum_j (\psi_j^\dagger \vec{\sigma} \psi_j) \cdot \vec{S}_j$$

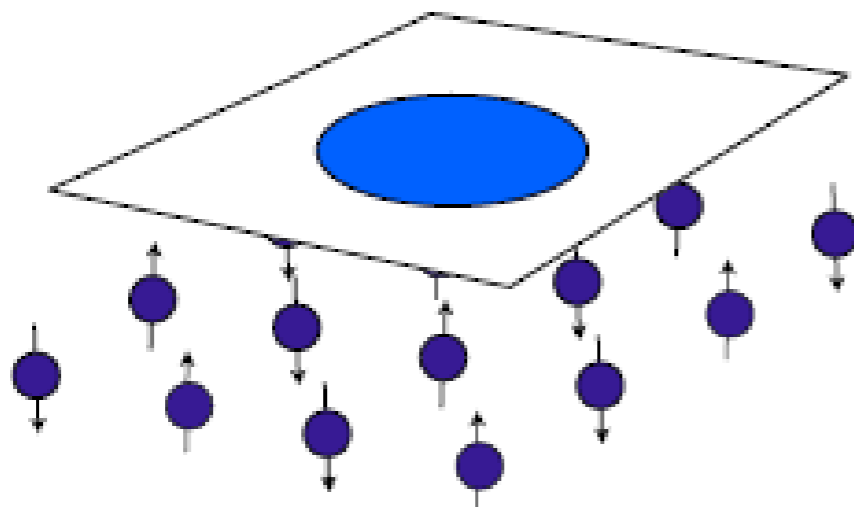
Kondo Lattice Model
(Kasuya, 1951)



$T_{RKKY} \sim J^2 \rho$

P. Coleman's talk in NCTU, 2016

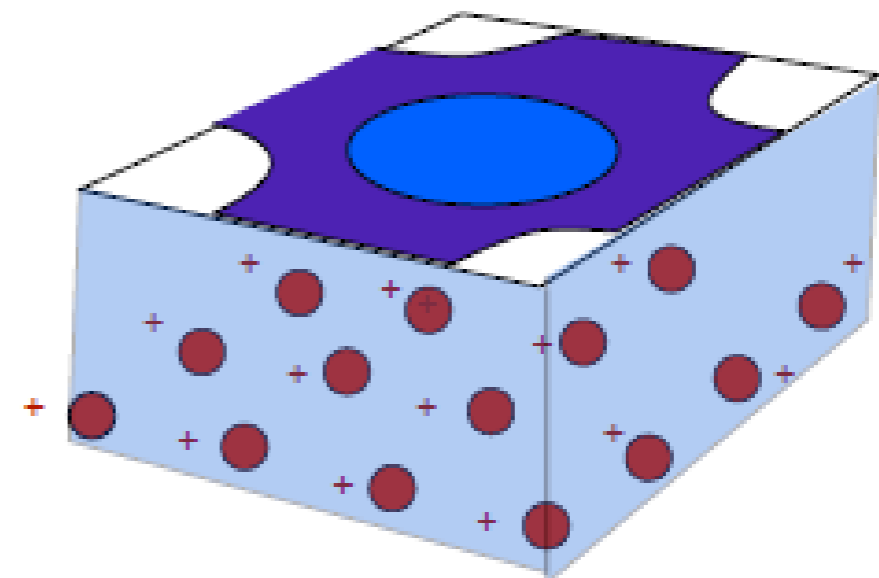
$T_{RKKY} > T_K$



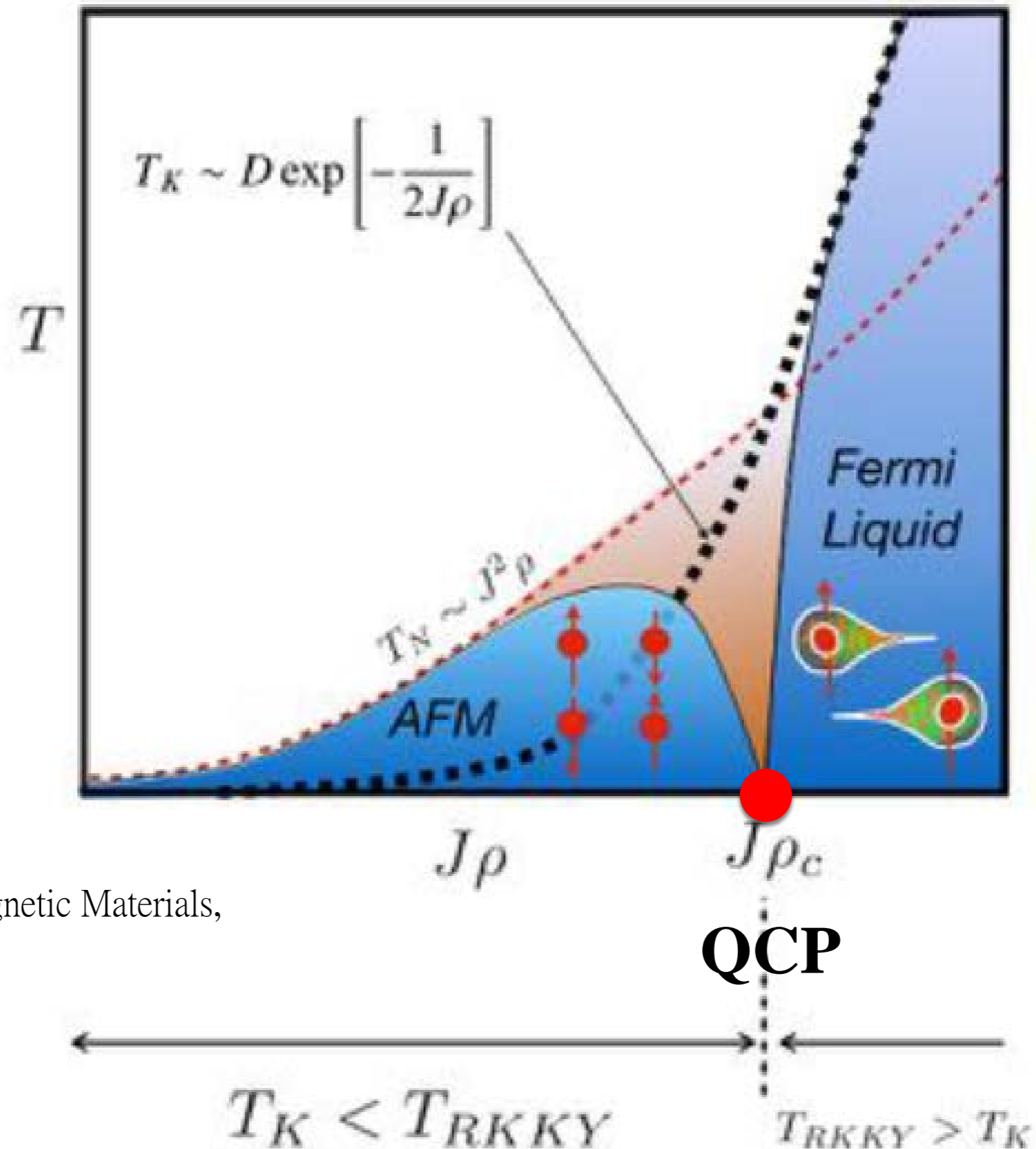
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Large Fermi surface of composite Fermions

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Kondo breakdown and Quantum Criticality in Heavy-fermions



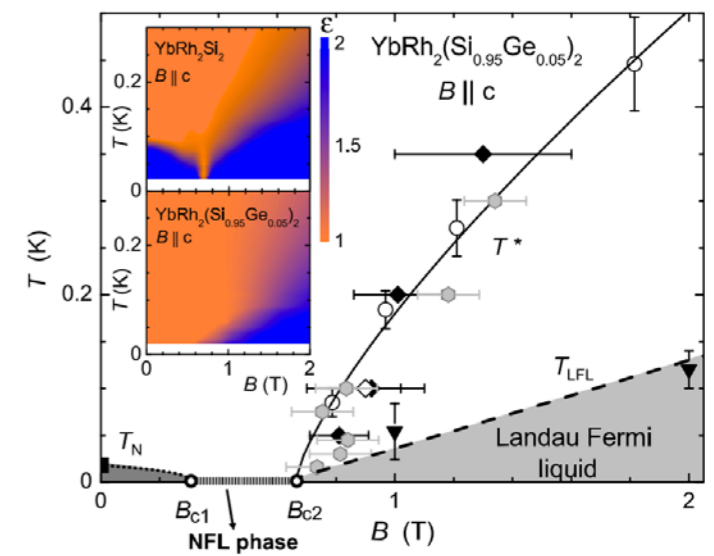
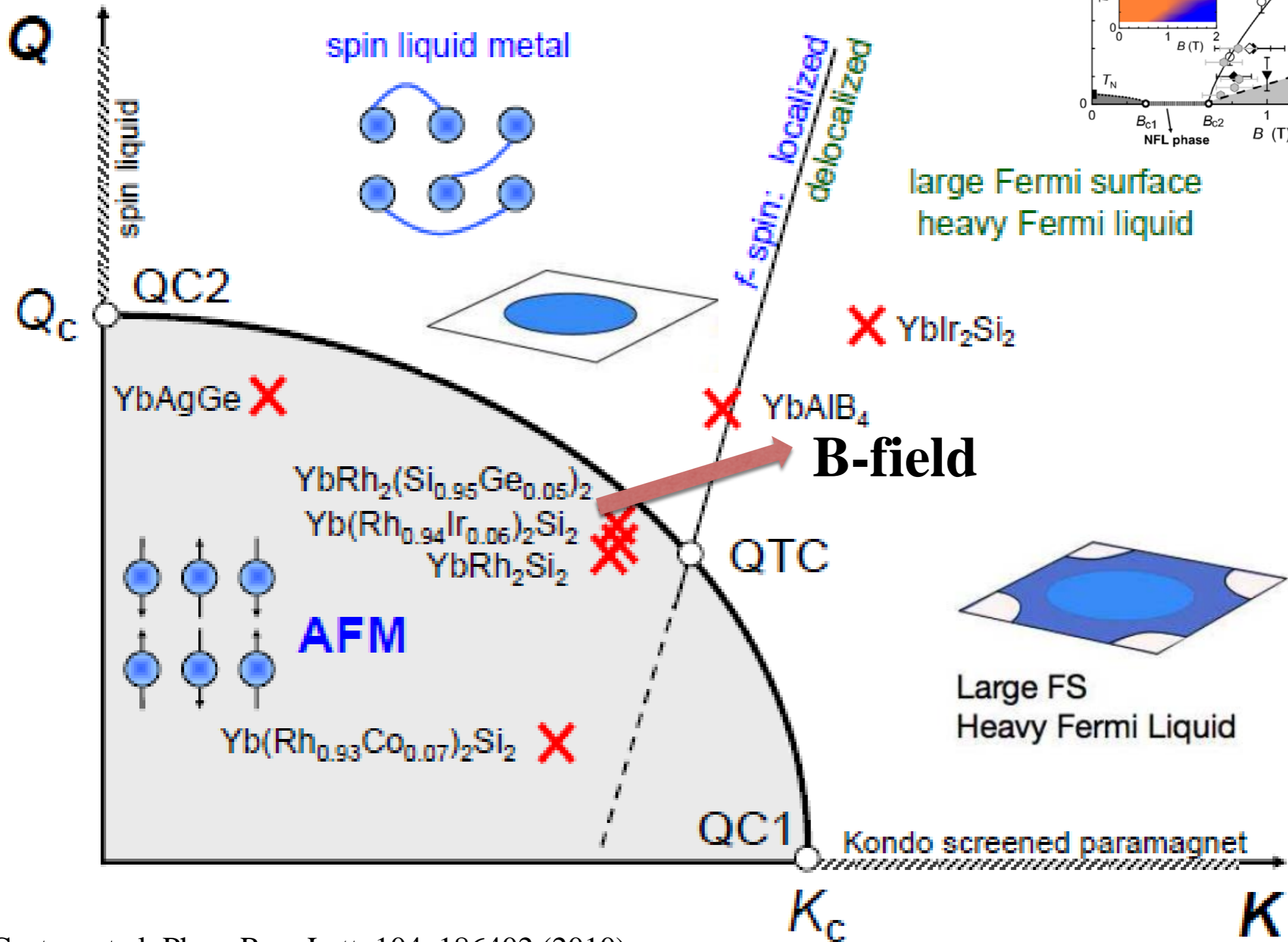
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Doniach phase diagram

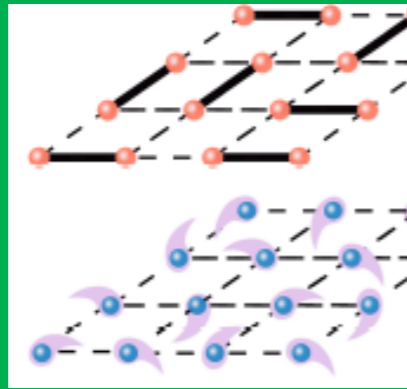
Frustrated Kondo lattice

Ge doping induces disorder ~ frustration



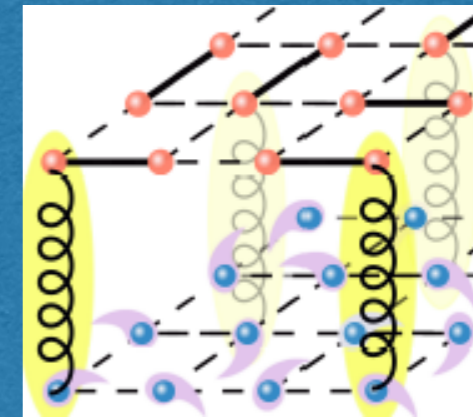
New Kondo breakdown scenario

**AF RKKY + disorder induced frustration:
Fractionalized Fermi liquid (FL*)
RVB spin-liquid metal**

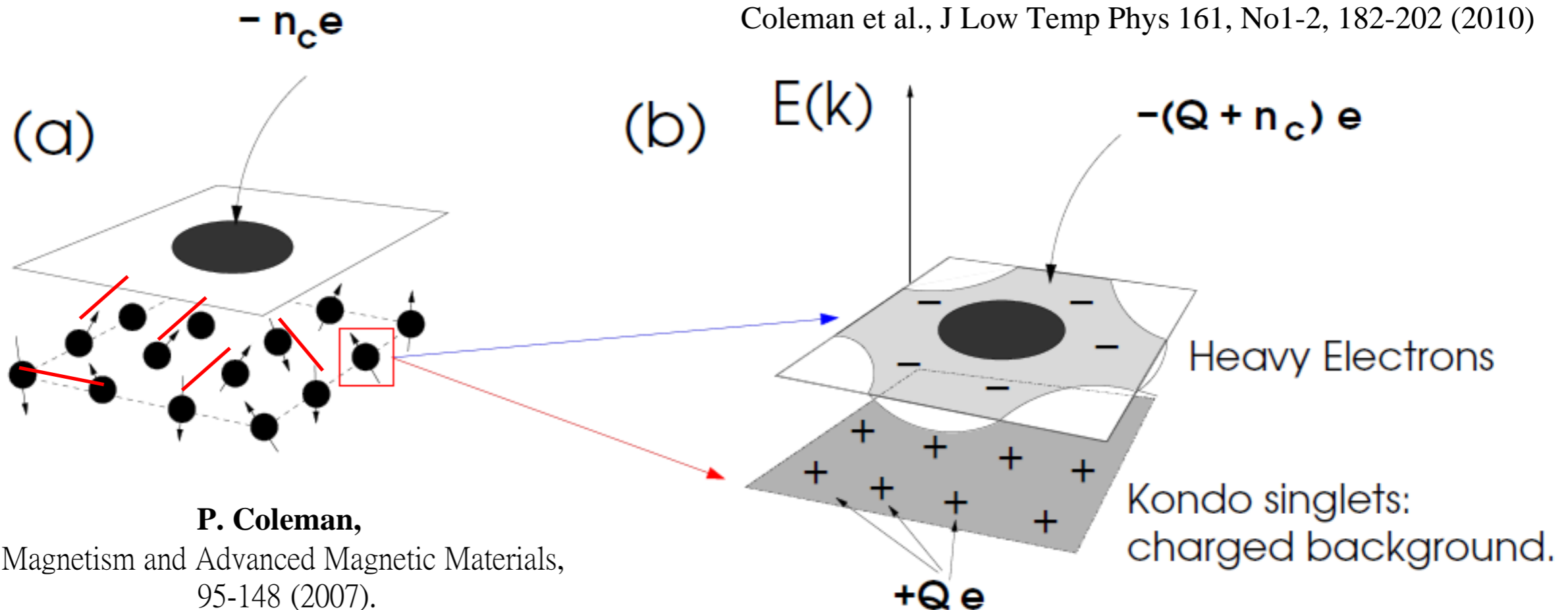


VS.

Kondo effect



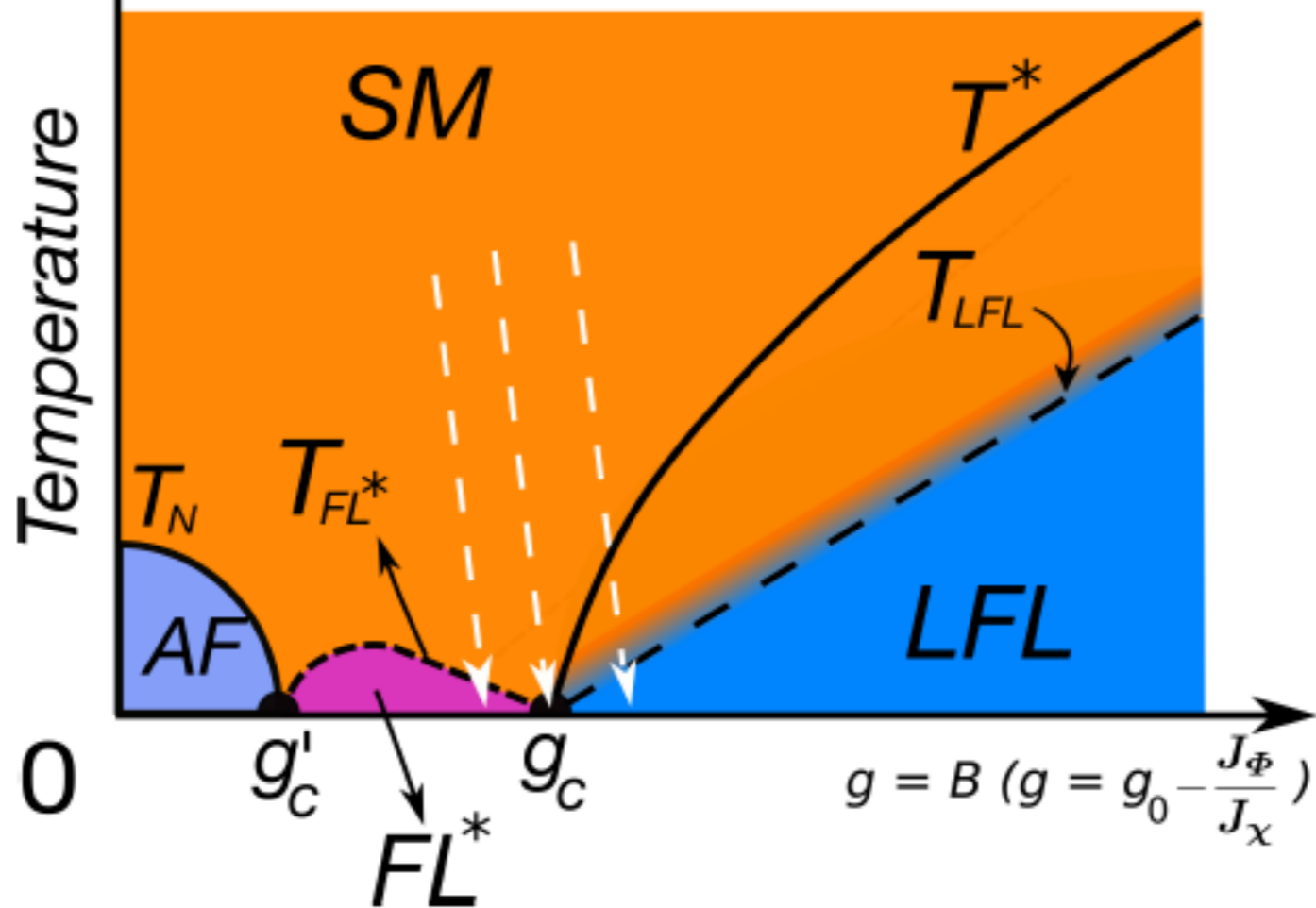
Coleman et al., J Low Temp Phys 161, No1-2, 182-202 (2010)



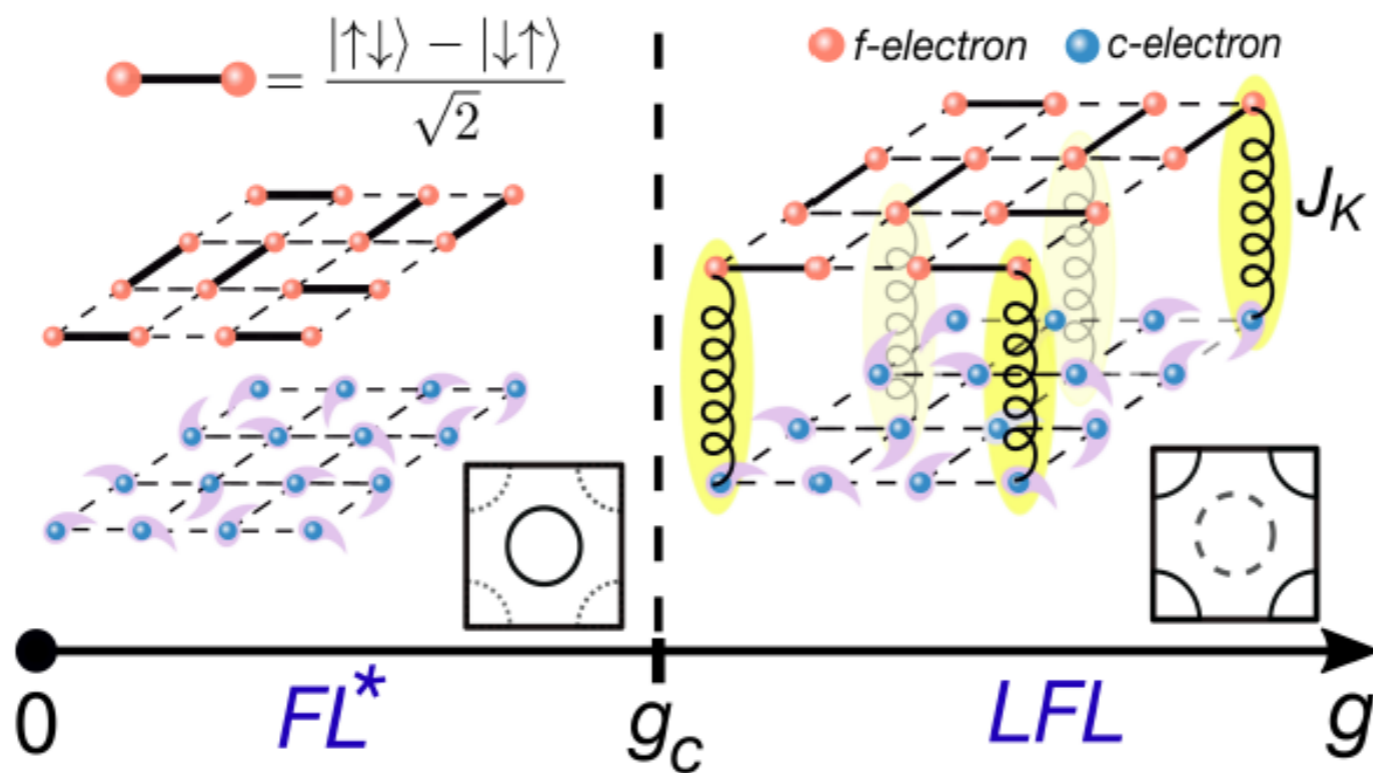
P. Coleman,
Magnetism and Advanced Magnetic Materials,
95-148 (2007).

(a)

Phase diagram for Ge-YRS



(b)



Large- N ($Sp(N)$) Mean-field Kondo-Heisenberg Model

$$H_0 = \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle; \sigma} \left[t_{ij} c_{i\sigma}^\dagger c_{j\sigma} + h.c. \right] - \sum_{i\sigma} \mu c_{i\sigma}^\dagger c_{i\sigma}, \quad (\text{conduction electrons})$$

$$H_\lambda = \sum_{i,\sigma} \lambda \left[f_{i\sigma}^\dagger f_{i\sigma} - 2S \right] \quad (\text{localized electrons})$$

$$H_J = \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} J_H \mathbf{S}_i^{imp} \cdot \mathbf{S}_j^{imp} = \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle; \alpha, \beta} \left[\Phi_{ij} \mathcal{J}^{\alpha\beta} f_{i\alpha} f_{j\beta} + h.c. \right] + \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} N \frac{|\Phi_{ij}|^2}{J_H},$$

$$H_K = J_K \sum_i \mathbf{S}_i^{imp} \cdot \mathbf{s}^c = \sum_{i,\sigma} \left[\left(c_{i\sigma}^\dagger f_{i\sigma} \right) \chi_i + h.c. \right] + \sum_i N \frac{|\chi_i|^2}{J_K}.$$

$$\sigma, \alpha, \beta \in \left\{ -\frac{N}{2}, \dots, \frac{N}{2} \right\}$$

$$N \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\mathcal{J}^{\alpha\beta} = \mathcal{J}_{\alpha\beta} = -\mathcal{J}^{\beta\alpha}$$

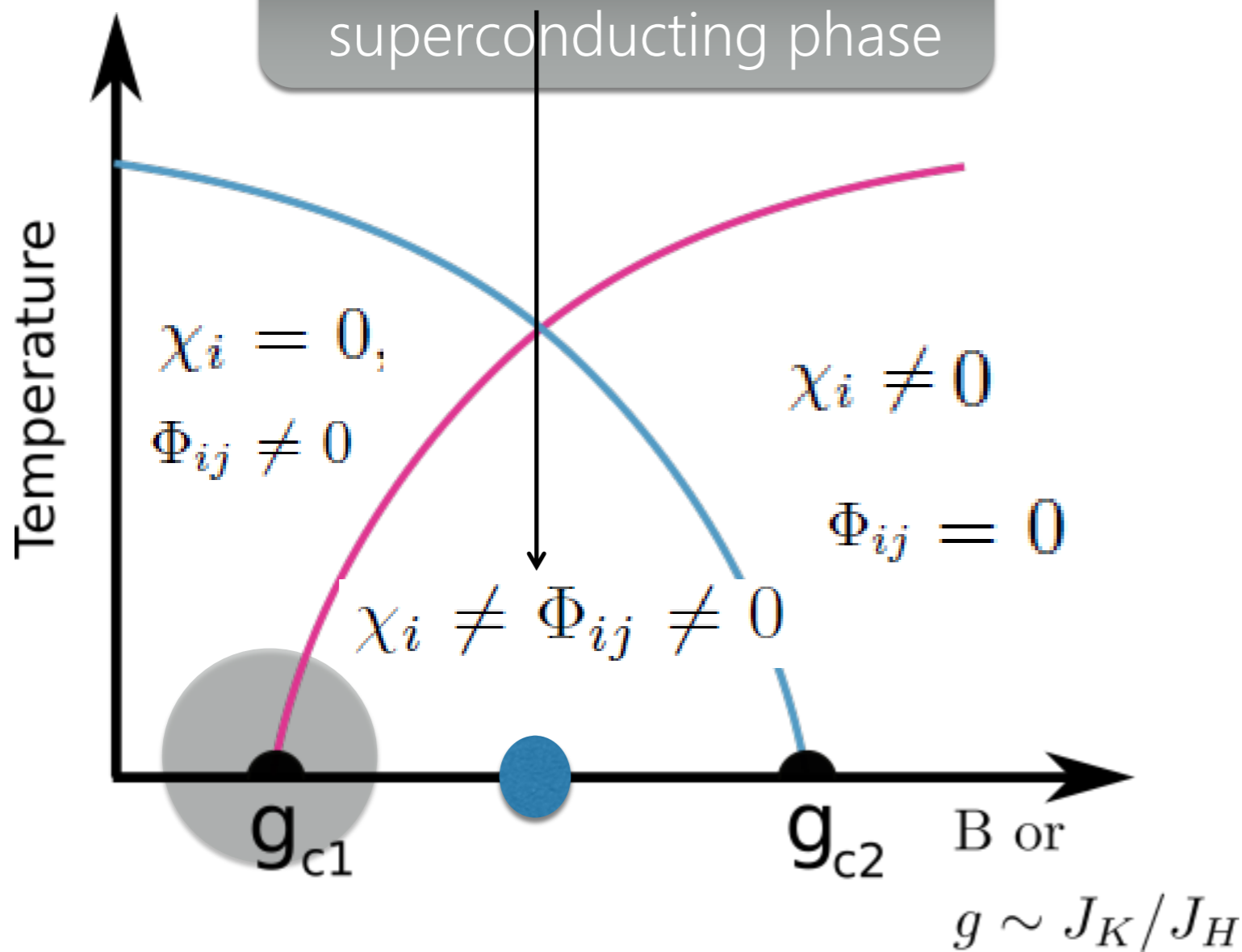
generalization of the $SU(2)$ antisymmetric tensor

$$\epsilon_{\alpha\beta} = \epsilon^{\alpha\beta} = -\epsilon_{\beta\alpha} = i\sigma_2$$

$\Phi_{ij} \equiv \left\langle \frac{J_H}{N} \sum_{\alpha, \beta} \mathcal{J}_{\alpha\beta} f_i^{\alpha\dagger} f_j^{\beta\dagger} \right\rangle$ RVB spin-singlet bond (Characterize the spin-liquid)

$\chi_i \equiv \left\langle \frac{J_K}{N} \sum_{\sigma} f_{i\sigma}^\dagger c_{i\sigma} \right\rangle$ Kondo hybridisation (Characterize the Kondo phase)

B field suppresses superconducting phase

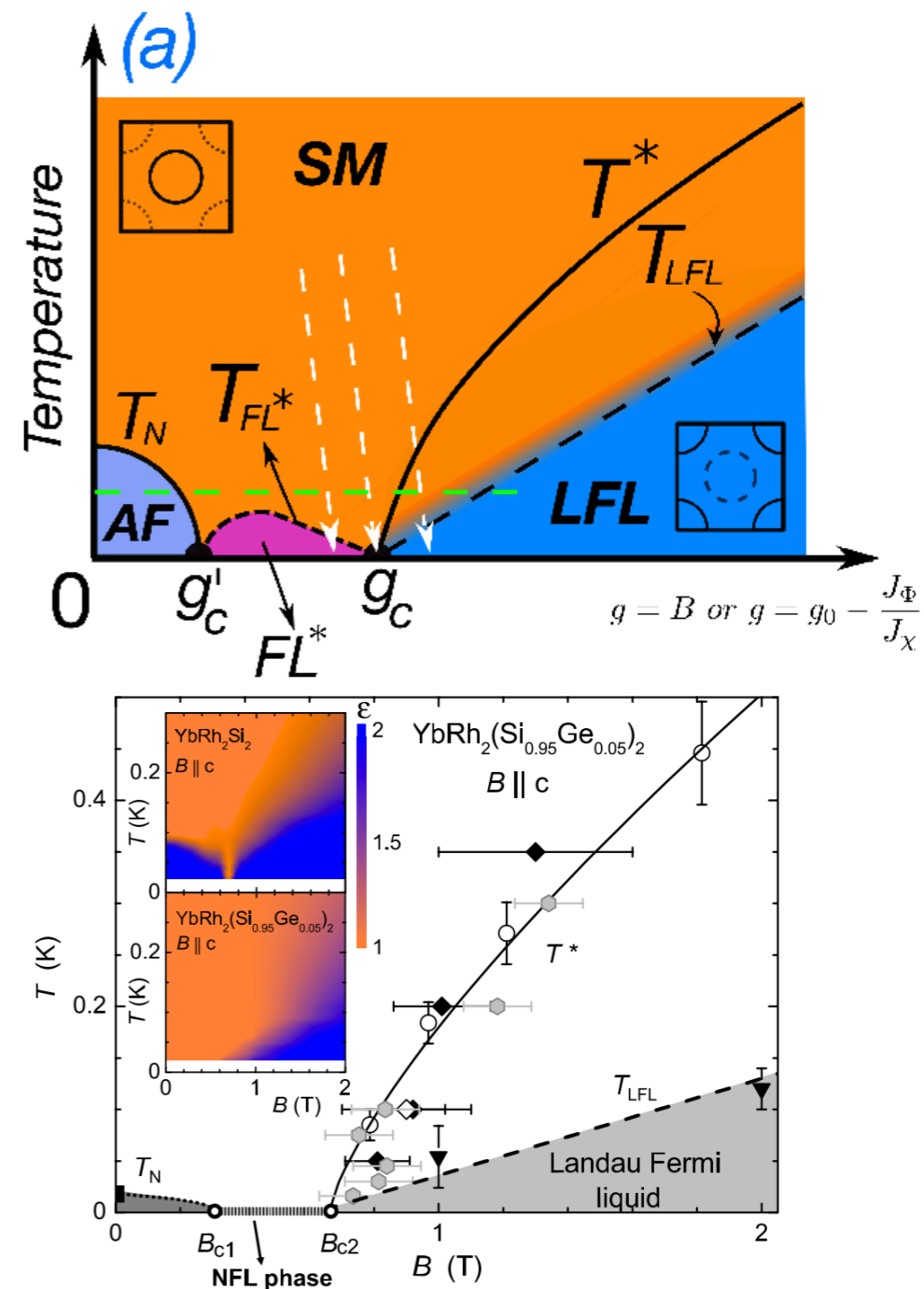


Fractionalized
Fermi-liquid (FL*)

v.s.

Kondo
Heavy Fermi Liquid

Proposed phase diagram



Senthil, PRL, 2003

Custers, Nature, 2003

Custers, PRL, 2010

Effective Action—Mean-field

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{ij} &\longrightarrow \Phi_{ij} + \hat{\Phi}_{ij} & \Phi_{ij}, \chi_i &: \text{uniform values} \\ \chi_i &\longrightarrow \chi_i + \hat{\chi}_i & \hat{\Phi}_{ij}, \hat{\chi}_i &: \text{fluctuations} \end{aligned}$$

$$S_{eff} = S_0 + S_\chi + S_Q + S_4 + S_K + S_J + S_G$$

$$S_0 = \int dk \sum_{\sigma=\uparrow\downarrow} c_{k\sigma}^\dagger (-i\omega + \epsilon_c(\mathbf{k})) c_{k\sigma} + f_{k\sigma}^\dagger \left(-\frac{i\omega}{\Gamma} + \lambda \right) f_{k\sigma}$$

$$S_\chi = \int dk \sum_{\sigma=\uparrow\downarrow} \left[\chi_{\mathbf{k}} f_{k\sigma}^\dagger c_{k\sigma} + h.c. \right] + \sum_i \int d\tau |\chi_i|^2 / J_K,$$

$$S_\Phi = \int dk \sum_{\alpha\beta} \left[\Phi_{\mathbf{k}} \epsilon_{\alpha\beta} f_k^\alpha f_{-k}^\beta + h.c. \right] + \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \int d\tau |\Phi_{ij}|^2 / J_H$$

Effective action—amplitude (Gaussian) fluctuation

Beyond Ginzburg-Landau theory of phase transitions

$$S_G = \int dk \left[\hat{\chi}_k^\dagger \left(-G_\chi^b \right)^{-1}(\omega, \mathbf{k}) \hat{\chi}_k + \hat{\Phi}_k^\dagger \left(-G_\Phi^b \right)^{-1}(\omega, \mathbf{k}) \hat{\Phi}_k \right]$$

quasi-2d:
 $d=z+\eta$, $z=2$,
 $0 < \eta \ll 1$

$$G_{\chi(\Phi)}^b(\omega, \mathbf{k}) = \frac{2(\epsilon_{\chi(\Phi)}(\mathbf{k}) + m_{\chi(\Phi)})}{(i\omega_{\chi(\Phi)})^2 - (\epsilon_{\chi(\Phi)}(\mathbf{k}) + m_{\chi(\Phi)})^2}$$

$$S_K = J_\chi \sum_{\sigma=\uparrow\downarrow} \int dk dk' \left[(c_{k\sigma}^\dagger f_{k'\sigma}) \hat{\chi}_{k+k'}^\dagger + h.c. \right],$$

$$S_J = J_\Phi \sum_{\alpha,\beta=\uparrow\downarrow} \int dk dk' \left[\epsilon_{\alpha\beta} \hat{\Phi}_k f_{k'}^\beta f_{k+k'}^\alpha + h.c. \right],$$

boson-fermion
 Yukawa coupling

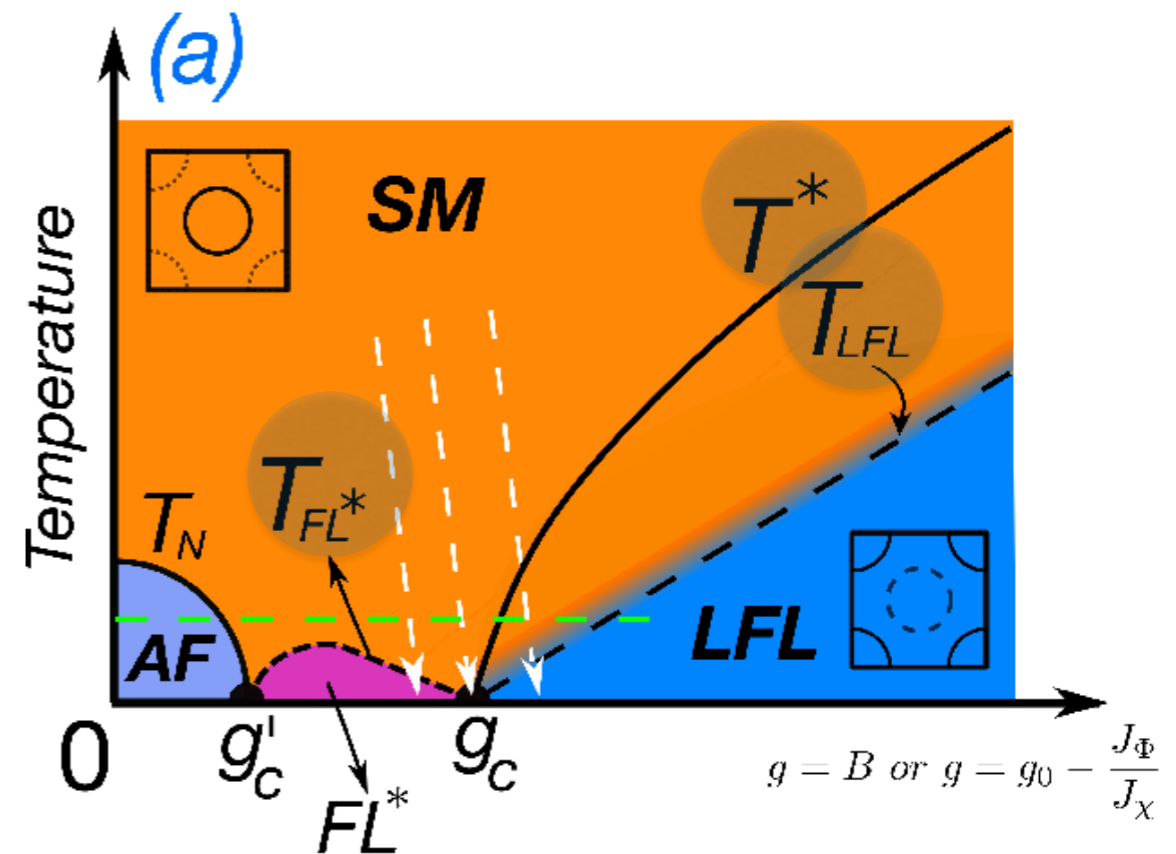
new scaling!

$$S_4 = \frac{u_\chi}{2} \int dk_1 dk_2 dk_3 \hat{\chi}_{k_1}^\dagger \hat{\chi}_{k_2}^\dagger \hat{\chi}_{k_3} \hat{\chi}_{-k_1-k_2-k_3}$$

$$+ \frac{u_\Phi}{2} \int dk_1 dk_2 dk_3 \hat{\Phi}_{k_1}^\dagger \hat{\Phi}_{k_2}^\dagger \hat{\Phi}_{k_3} \hat{\Phi}_{-k_1-k_2-k_3}$$

👉 **B suppresses J_Φ but keep J_χ nearly at J_χ^***

Crossover scales



T_{FL}^* : $J_\Phi > J_\chi^*$, J_χ is marginal.

$$T_{FL}^* \sim N_0^2 |J_\chi|^5 |g - g_c|$$

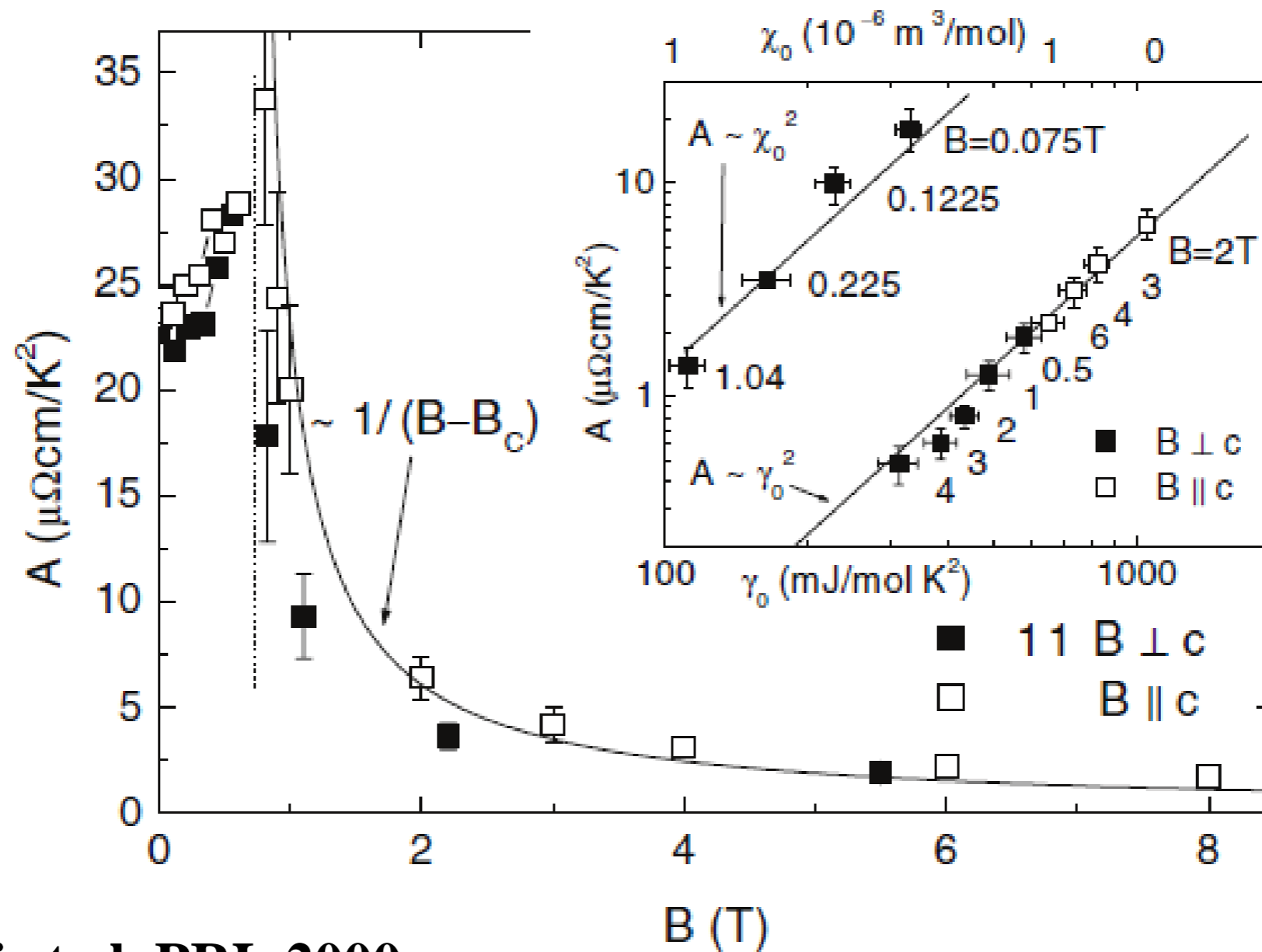
T_{LFL} : $J_\Phi < J_\chi^*$, J_χ is marginal, χ is relevant relative to marginal J_χ

$$T_{LFL} \sim N_0^2 J_\chi |\chi|^4 |g - g_c|$$

T^* : χ (J_K) is marginal but J_χ is irrelevant.

$$T^* \sim N_0^2 |\chi|^5 |g - g_c|^{1-\eta/z}$$

Divergence of A-coefficient in FL phase



O. Trovarelli et al. PRL 2000

theory prediction:

$$A \propto \xi^2 \sim |g - g_c|^{-2\nu} \sim |g - g_c|^{-1}$$

Specific heat coefficient

$$\gamma \left(\frac{T}{T_{LFL}} \right)$$

Critical bosonic RVB fluctuations

$$S_G = \int dk \left[\hat{\Phi}_k^\dagger \left(-G_\Phi^b \right)^{-1} (\omega, \mathbf{k}) \hat{\Phi}_k \right]$$

$$\gamma(\bar{T}) = -\frac{r^{-\bar{\alpha}} \bar{T}^{\eta/2}}{4} \int_{1/\bar{T}}^{\Lambda/\bar{T}} dx \frac{x^{2+\eta/2}}{\sinh^2(x/2)}$$

$$\bar{\alpha} = \eta^2 + 3\eta/2 \approx 0.32$$

$$\bar{T} \equiv \frac{T}{T_{LFL}}$$

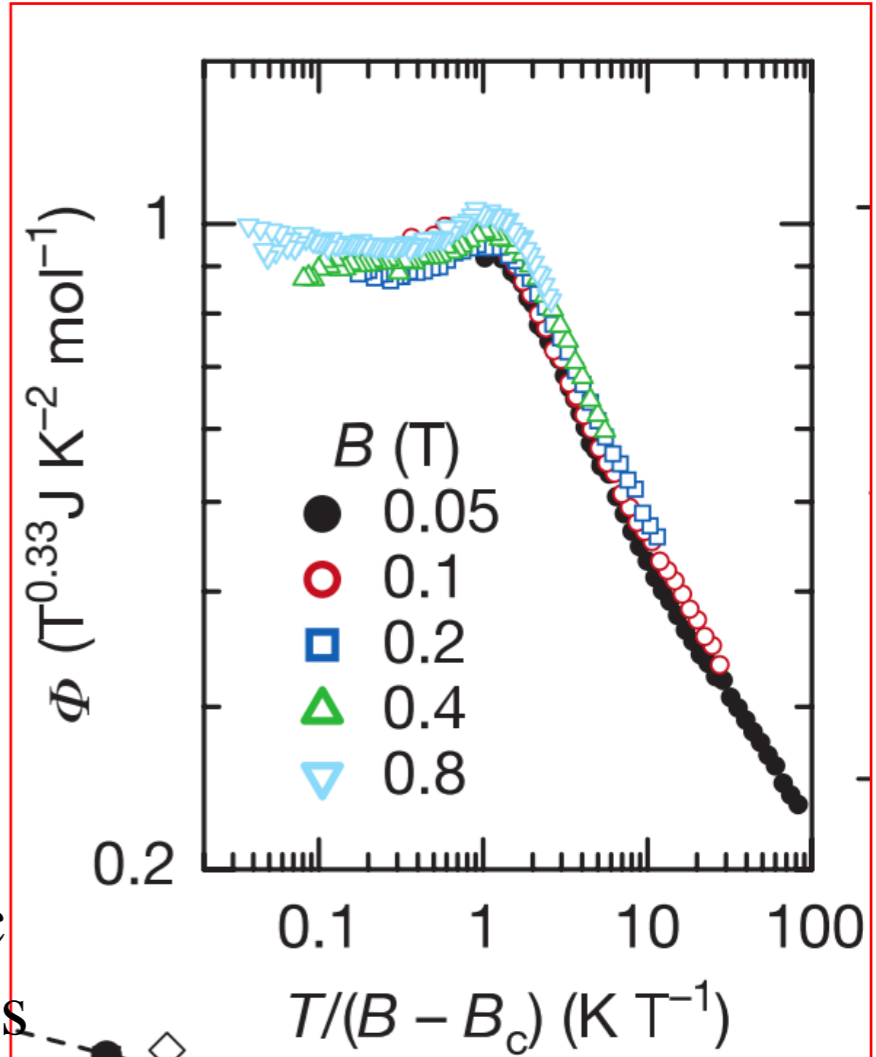
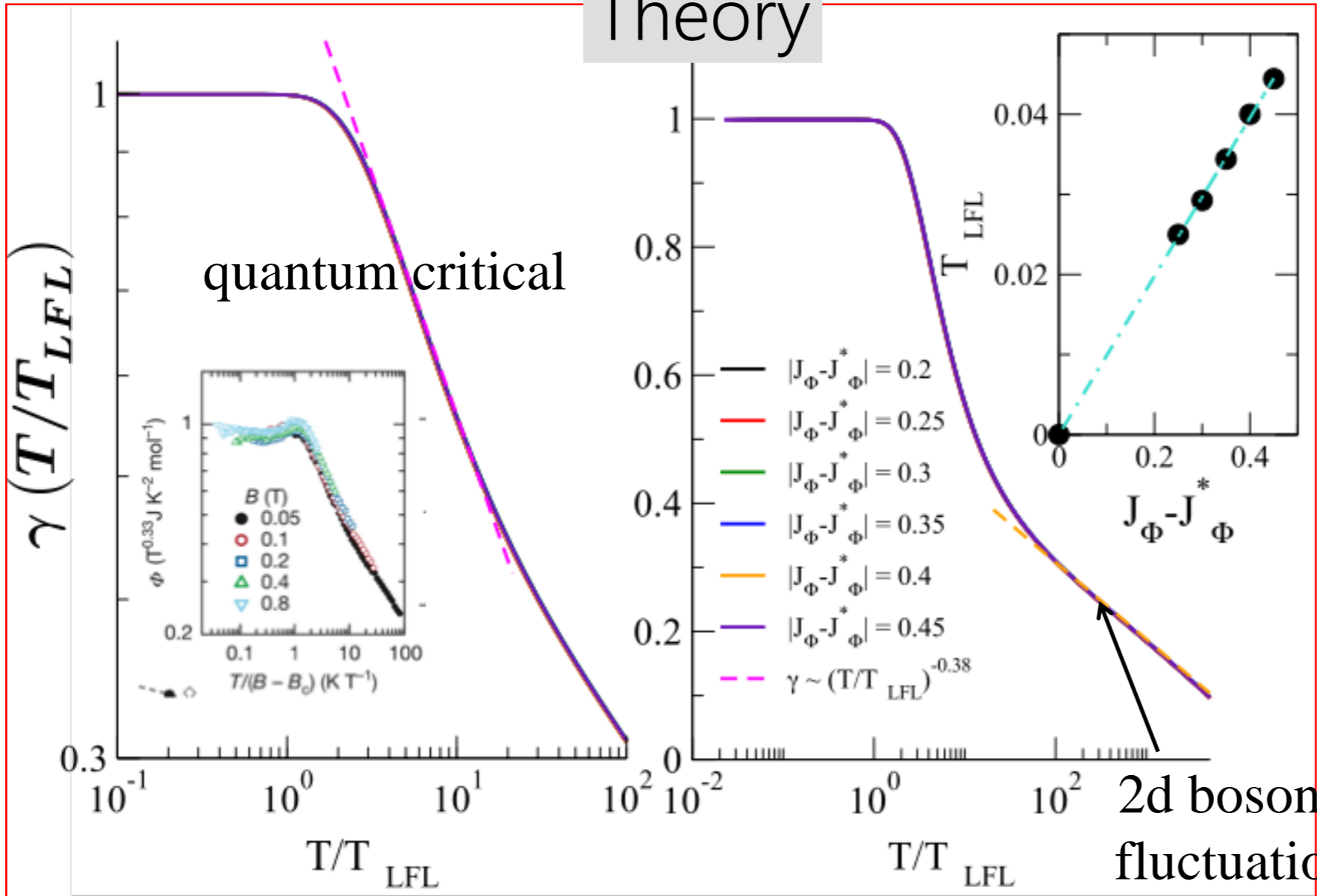
fitting parameter:

$$\eta = 0.18$$

Specific heat coefficient $\gamma \left(\frac{T}{T_{LFL}} \right)$

Theory

Experiment



$$\frac{C_V}{T} = \frac{1}{b^{1/3}} \Phi \left(\frac{T}{T_0(b)} \right)$$

$$\Phi(x) \approx (\max(x, 1))^{-1/3}$$

anomalous exponent

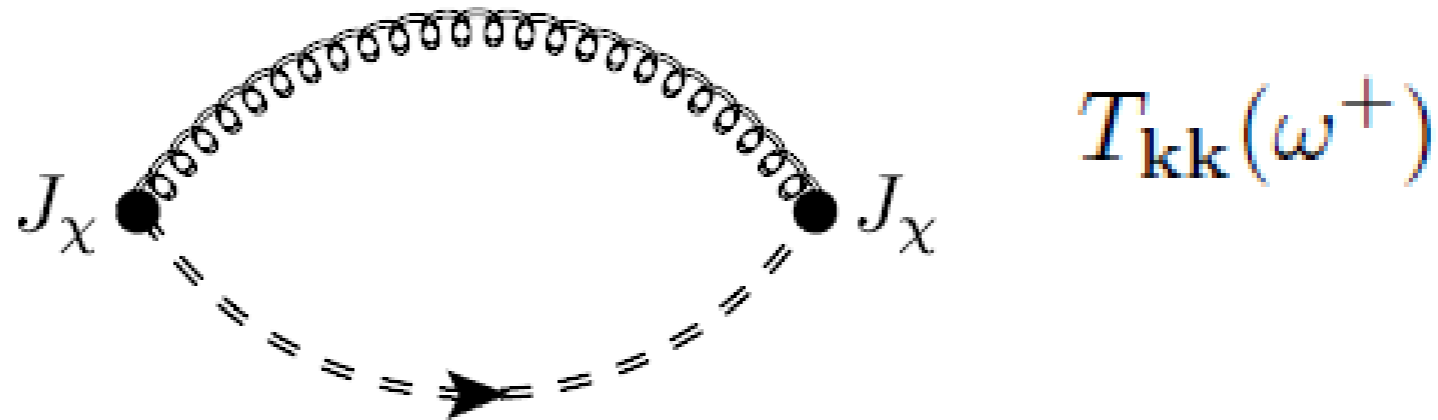
$$\Phi(B, T) = (B - B_c)^{0.33} C_{el}/T,$$

$$T_{LFL} \sim |J_{\phi} - J_{\phi}^*| \sim |B - B_c|$$

Linear-T Resistivity

Critical Kondo fluctuations (*bosonic charge*)

Conduction electron
T-matrix



$$J_\chi \sum_{\sigma=\uparrow\downarrow} \int dk dk' \left[(c_{k\sigma}^\dagger f_{k'\sigma}) \hat{\chi}_{k+k'}^\dagger + h.c. \right]$$

$$\tau^{-1}(\omega) = -\frac{c_{imp}}{2} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \text{Im} T_{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{k}}(\omega^+).$$

$$\sigma(T) = -\frac{2e^2}{3} \int \frac{d\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} v_{\mathbf{k}}^2 \tau(\mathbf{k}) \frac{\partial f}{\partial \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}}}$$

Linear- T Resistivity

Conductivity

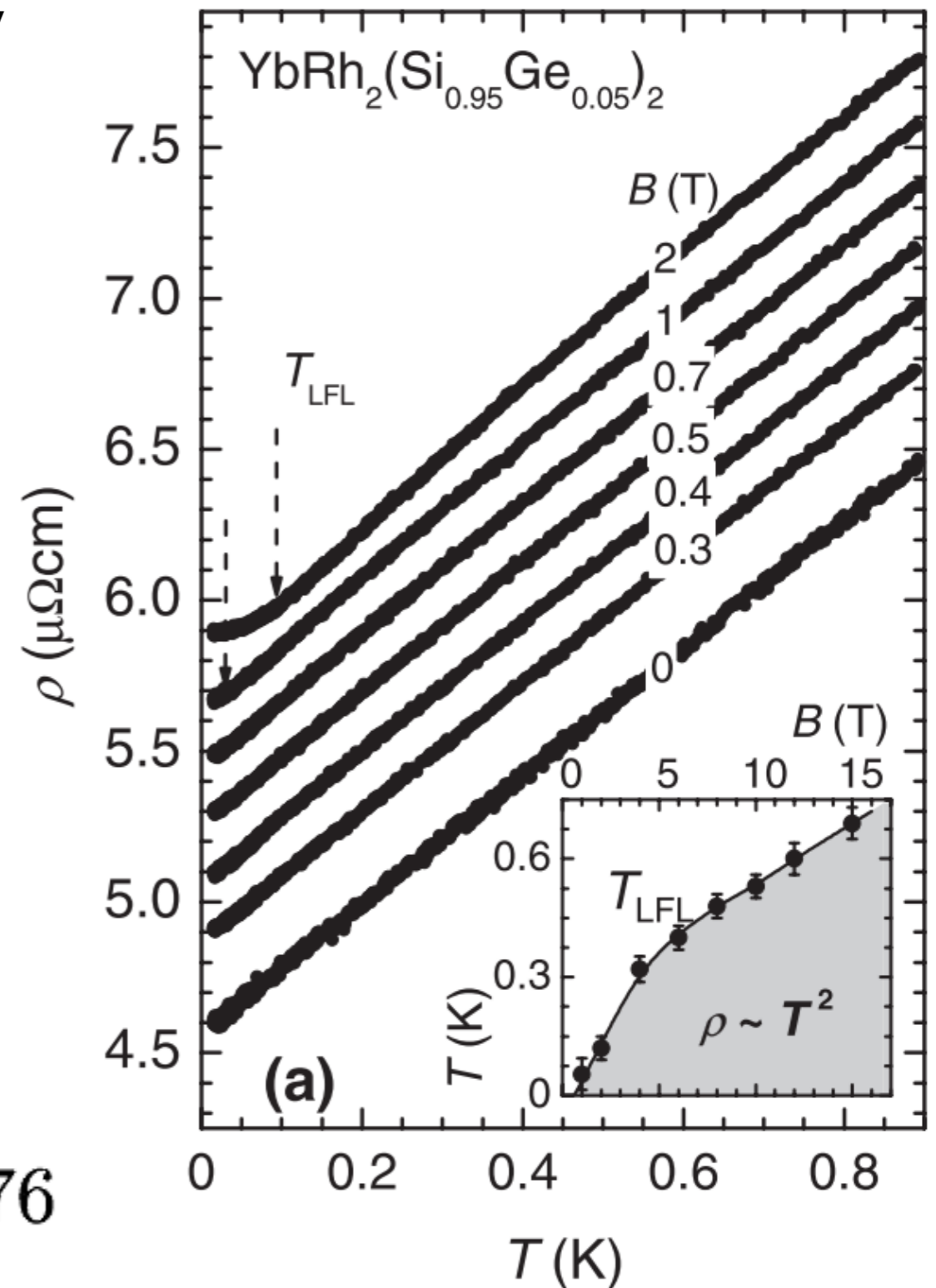
$$\sigma(T) = -\frac{2e^2}{3} \int \frac{d\mathbf{k}}{(2\pi)^3} v_k^2 \tau(k) \frac{\partial f}{\partial \epsilon_k}$$

$\tau(k)$: life-time of c-electrons.

T-linear Resistivity: $\rho(T) \sim a + bT$

Theory : $\frac{\rho(T) - \rho(T=0)}{\rho(T=0)} \sim 1.76$

Experiment : $\frac{\rho(T) - \rho(T=0)}{\rho(T=0)} \sim 0.44$



Custers, et al., PRL, 2010

Jump in Fermi surface volume

$$G_c(\mathbf{k}, \omega) = \frac{1}{\omega - \epsilon_c(\mathbf{k}) - \Sigma_c(\mathbf{k}, \omega)}$$

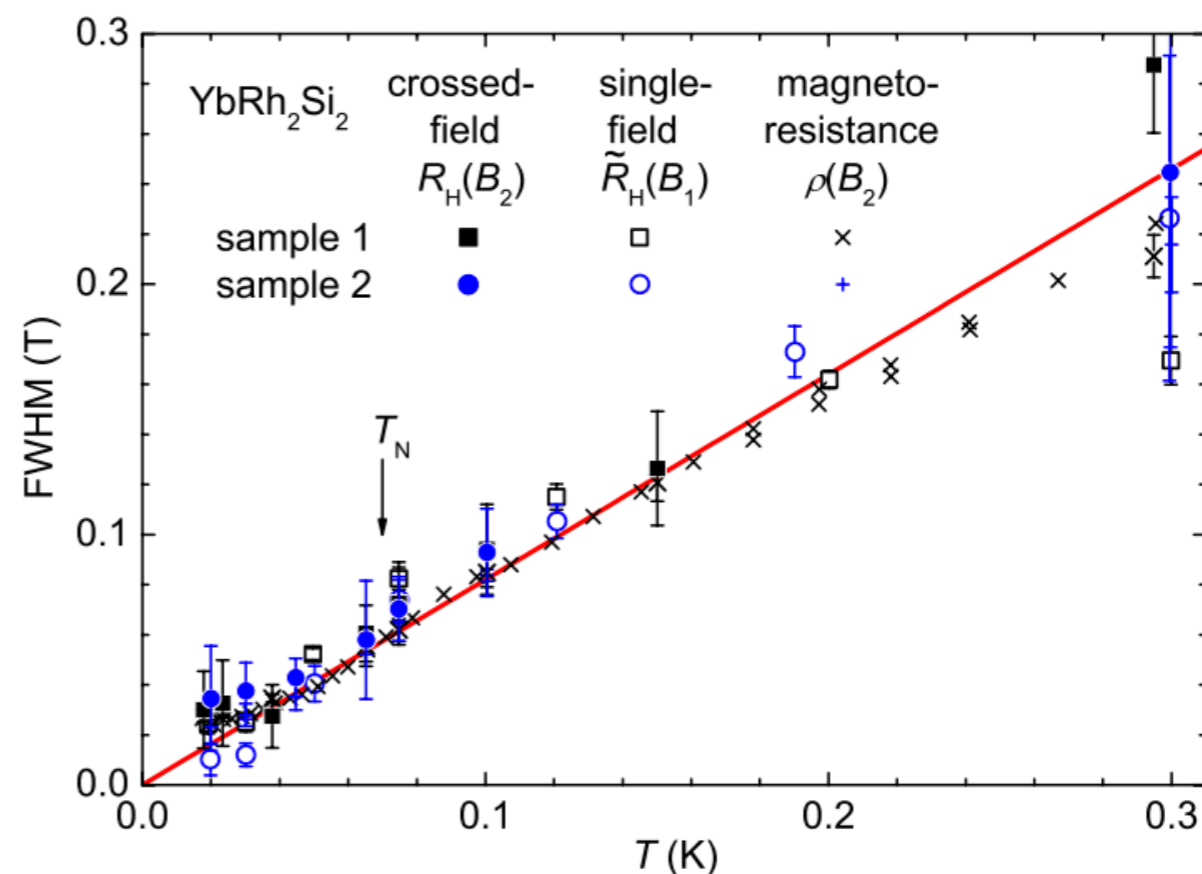
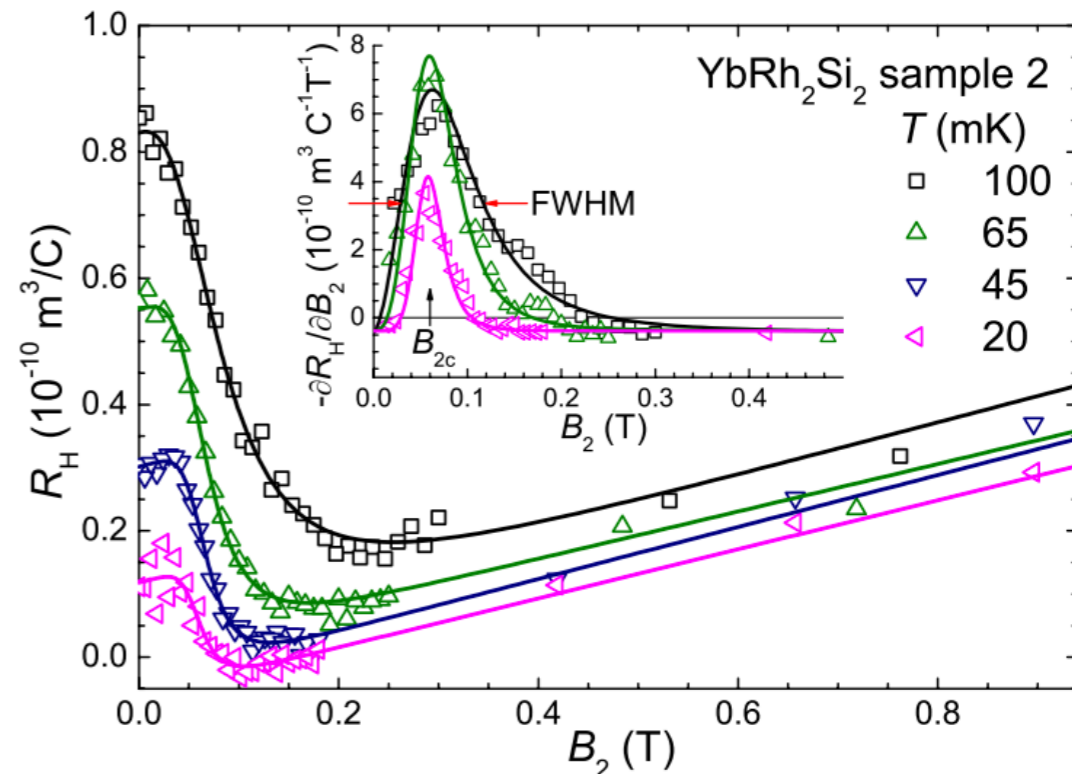
$T = 0$

$$\epsilon_F^* = \frac{k_F^{*2}}{2m} \equiv \epsilon_F + \frac{|\chi|^2}{\lambda}$$

$$\begin{cases} \chi = 0, & \text{if } g < g_c \\ \chi \neq 0, & \text{if } g > g_c \end{cases}$$

$T > 0$

$$\text{Im}\Sigma_c = \alpha T \quad \alpha : \text{constant}$$



Friedeman et al., PNAS, 2010

Strange superconductivity near heavy-fermion quantum critical point:

application for CeMIn₅ (M= Rh, Co)

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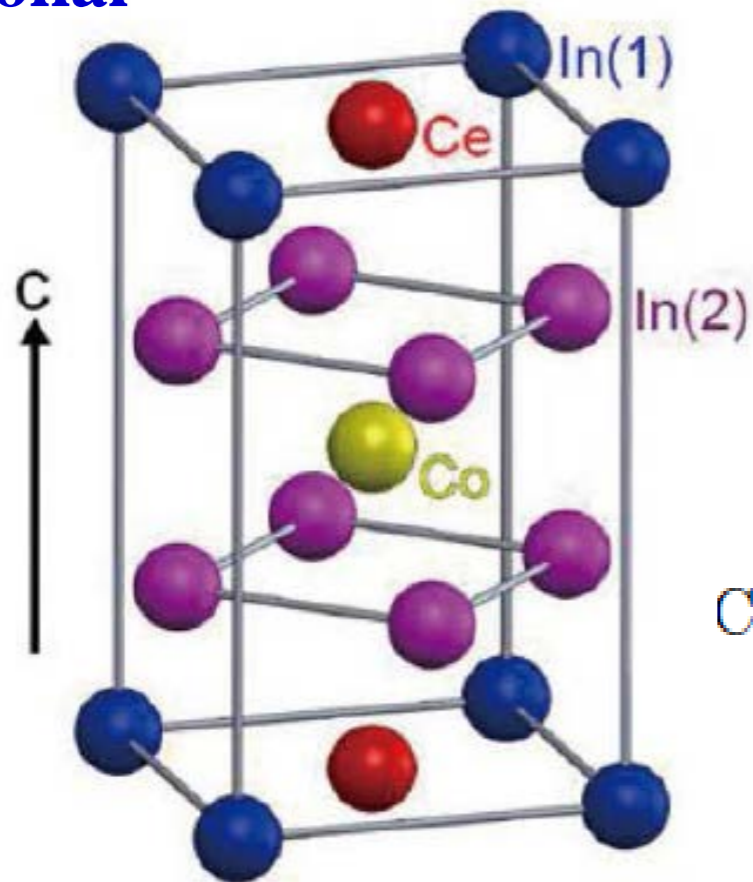
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CeCoIn5: Lattice Structure

Tetragonal

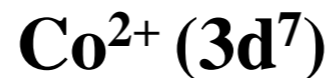
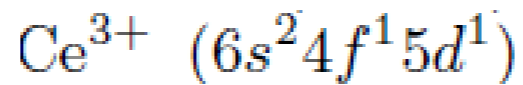


CeIn3

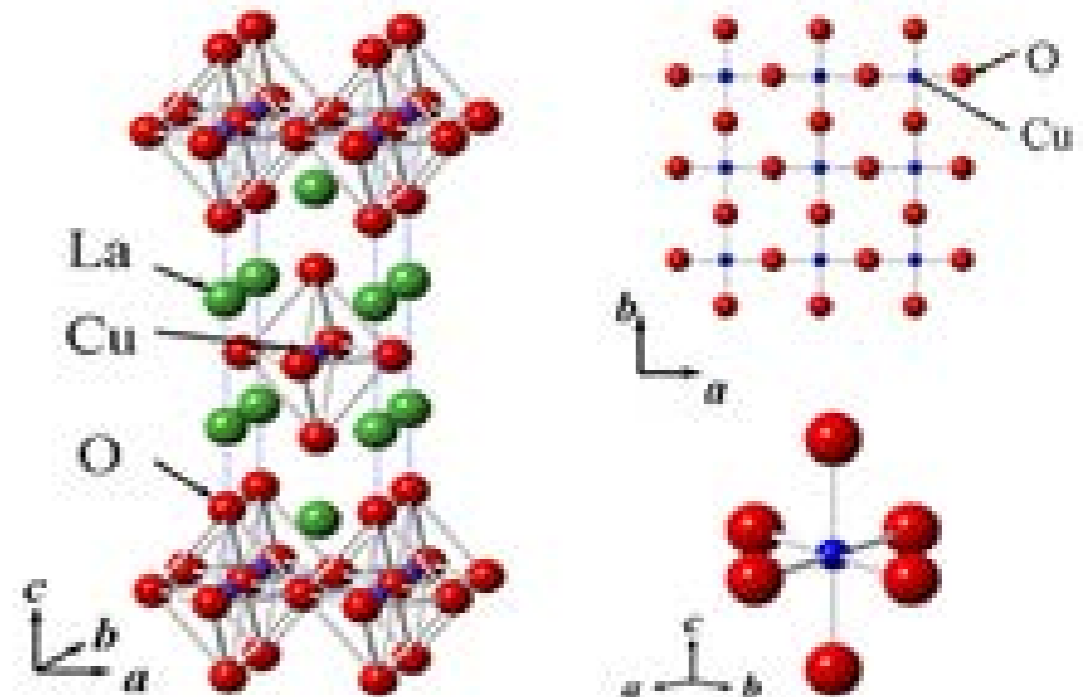
CoIn2

$$a=b=4.6\text{\AA}, c=7.51\text{\AA}$$

Matsuda, AAPS Bulletin 2017



Tetragonal



- Discovered in 2001 by Fisk et al., heavy-fermion analogue of cuprate (LaCu2O4) superconductor
- quasi-2D structure + proximity to magnetic order, favorable for unconventional superconductivity

- local-moment 4f electron on Ce + itinerant 5d (Ce) and 3d (Co) electrons

Kondo hybridization between f and d electrons, **Anti-ferromagnetism** (Ce)
Superconductivity at the boarder (**quantum critical point QCP**) of anti-ferromagnetism

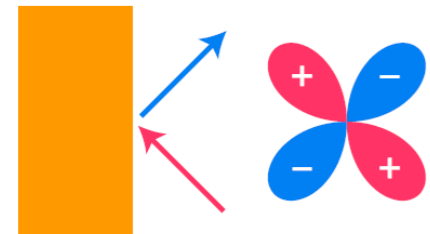
$T_c \sim 2.3\text{K}$

strange superconductivity in CeCoIn₅:

Non-Fermi liquid (strange metal) normal state

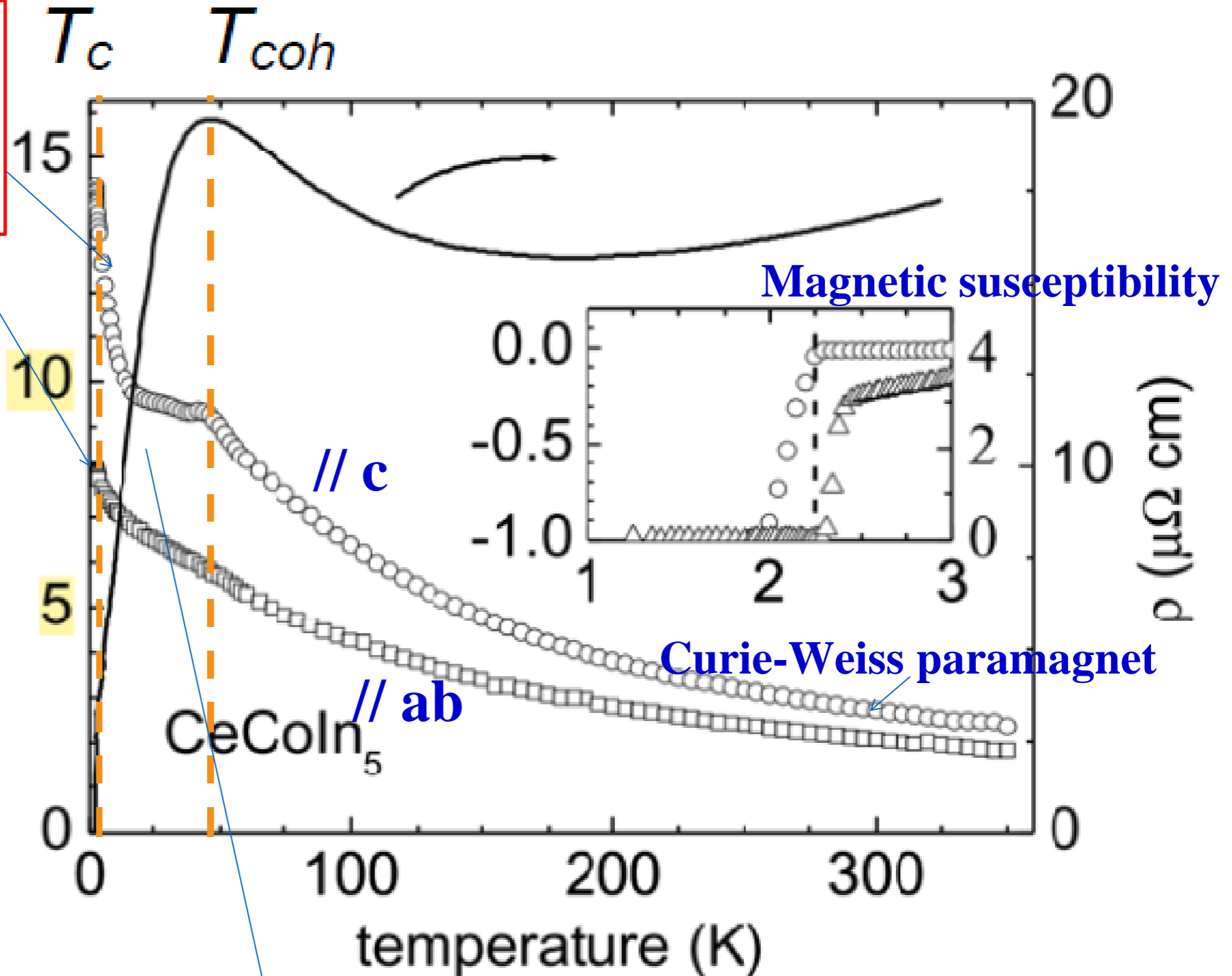
anomalous power-law magnetic susceptibility

$$\chi(T) \propto T^{-\alpha}$$
$$0 < \alpha < 1$$



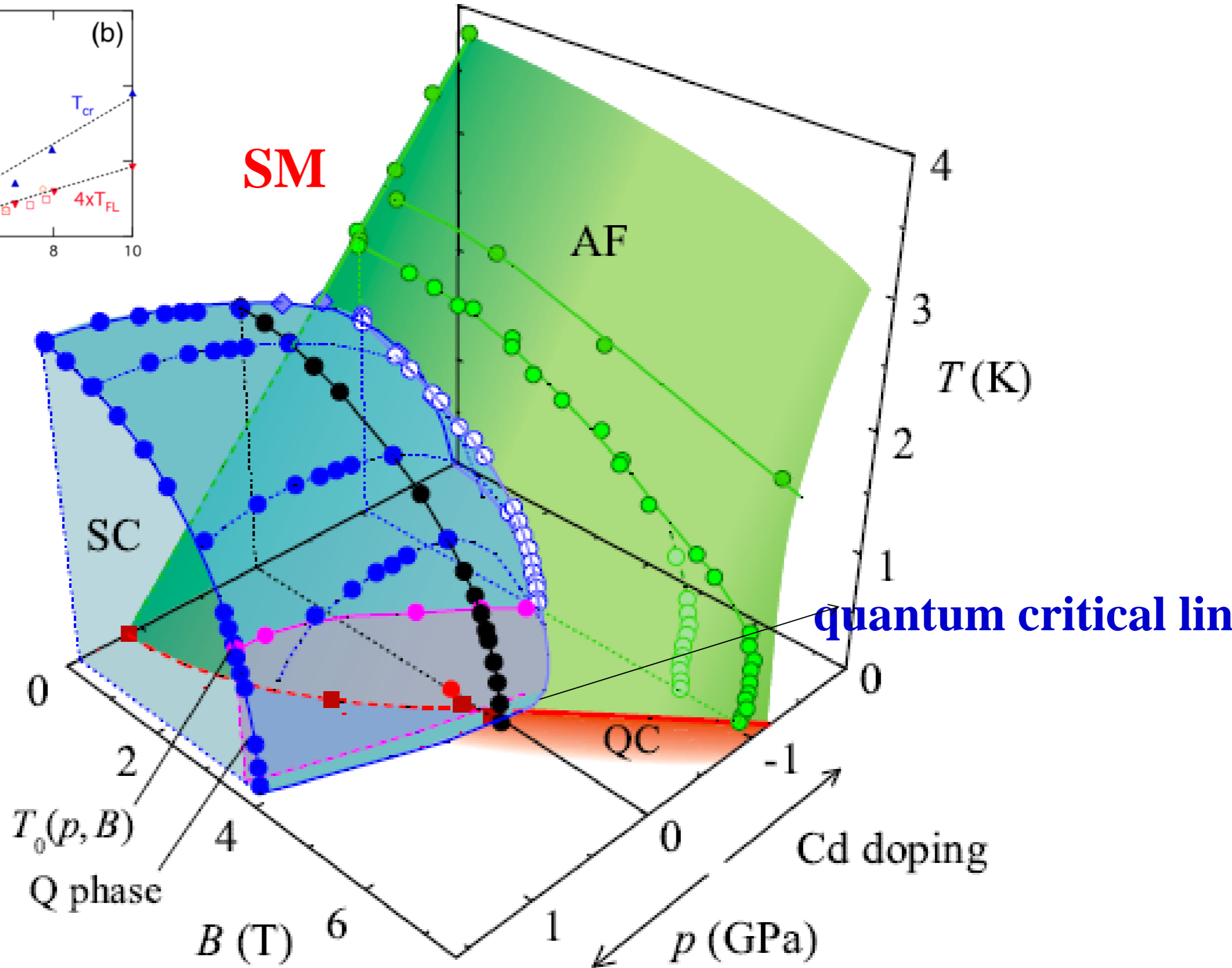
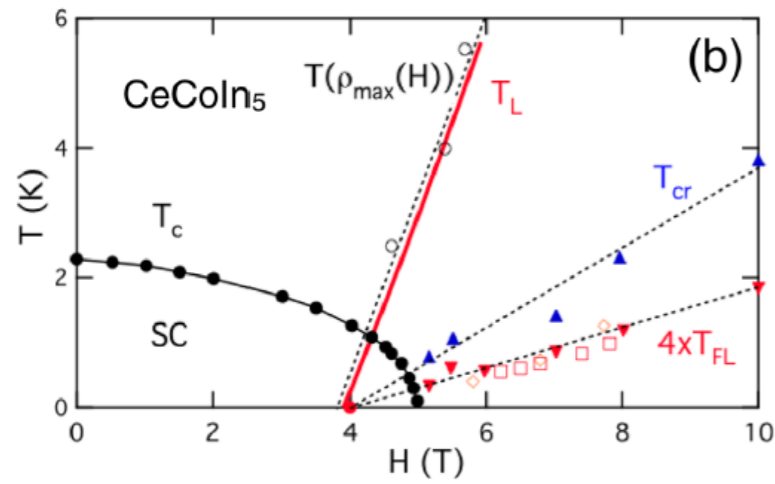
$d_{x^2-y^2}$ wave gap

M/H (10^{-3} emu/mol)

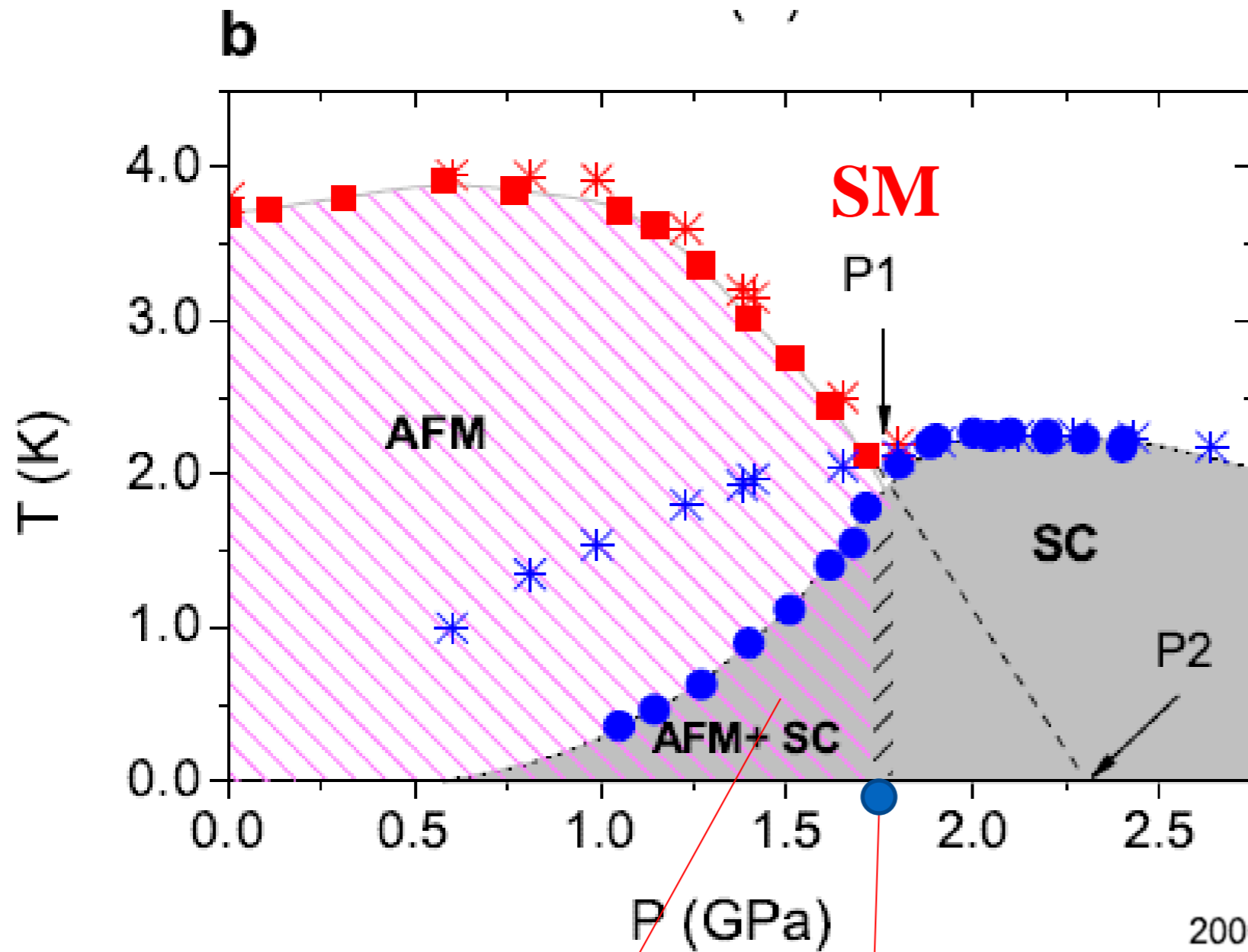


linear-in- T resistivity $\rho(T) \propto T$,

Global Phase Diagrams of CeCoIn₅

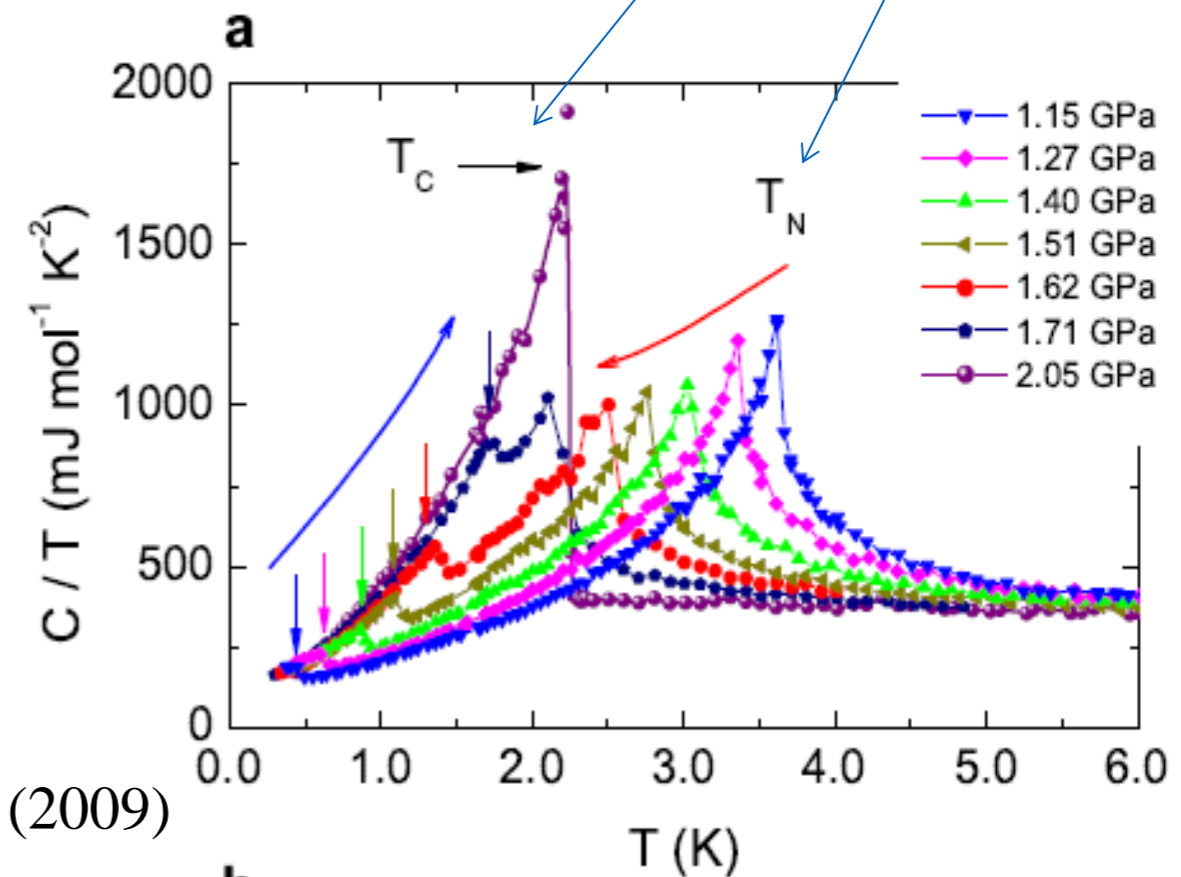


Phase diagram for CeRhIn5



P2: QCP in the absence of SC

2 peaks: T_c and T_N



Spiral (incommensurate) spin order (SDW)

ordered moment of $0.48-0.65\mu_B/\text{Ce}$

$$\mathbf{q}_M = (1/2, 1/2, 0.297)$$

W. Bao, PRB 2000

Co-existing AFM+SC

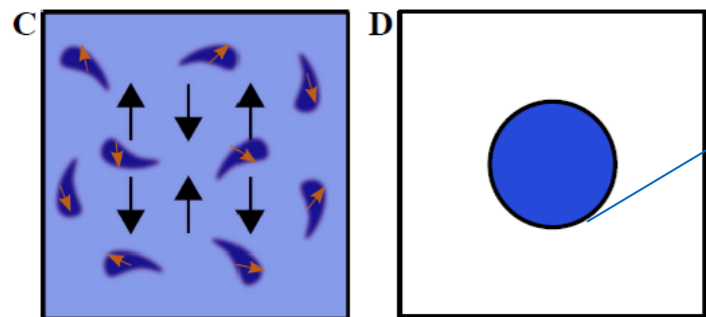
First-order transition

Kondo breakdown QCP for CeRhIn₅

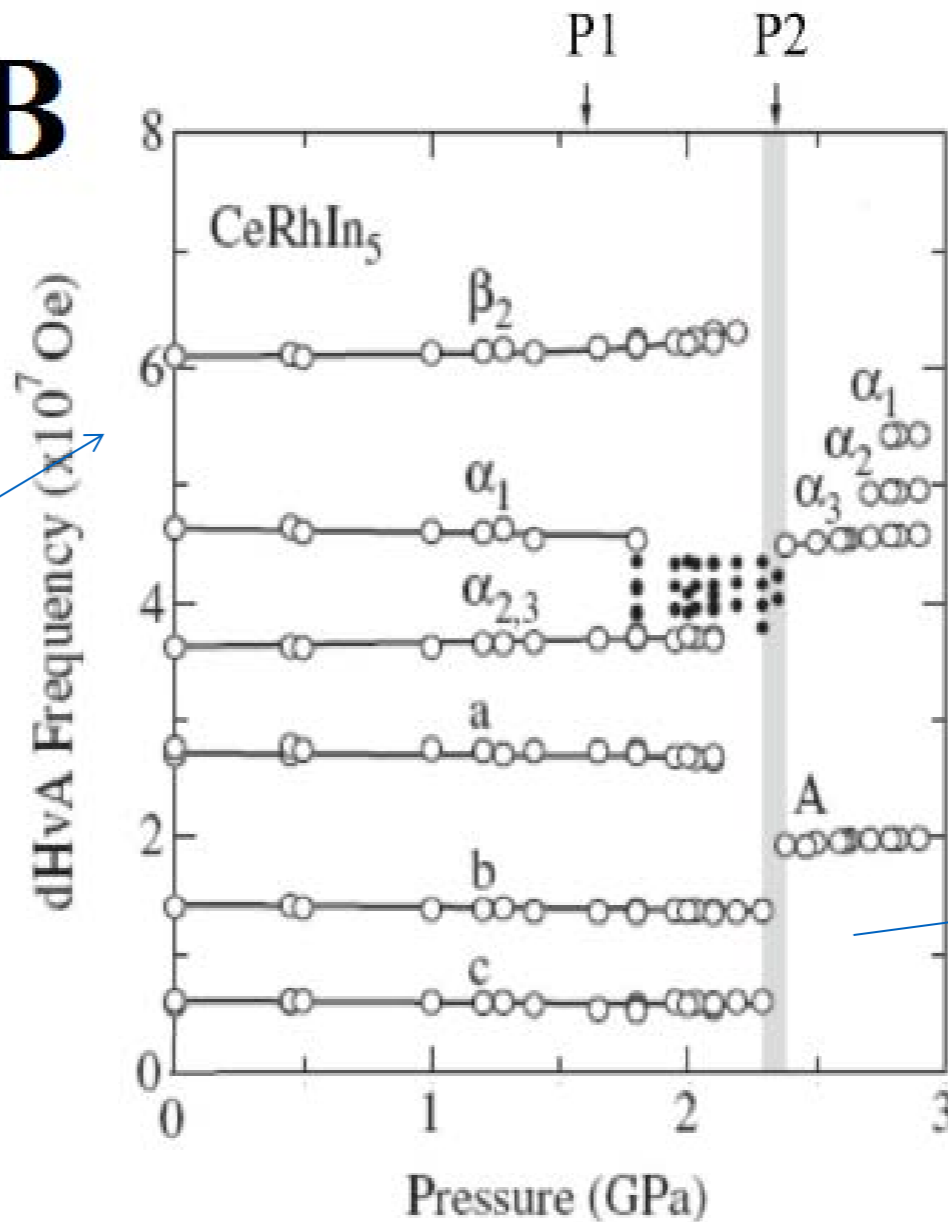
A Drastic Change of the Fermi Surface at a Critical Pressure in CeRhIn₅: dHvA Study under Pressure

H. Shishido, R. Settai, H. Harima, and Y. Ōnuki, *J. Phys. Soc. Jpn* **74**, 1103 (2005).

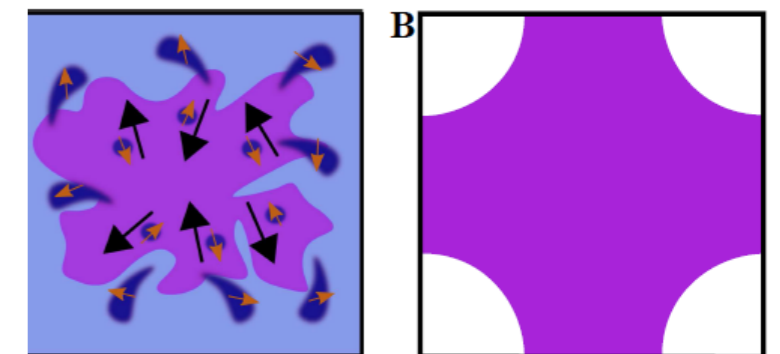
**Small Fermi surface
(Kondo destruction)**



B



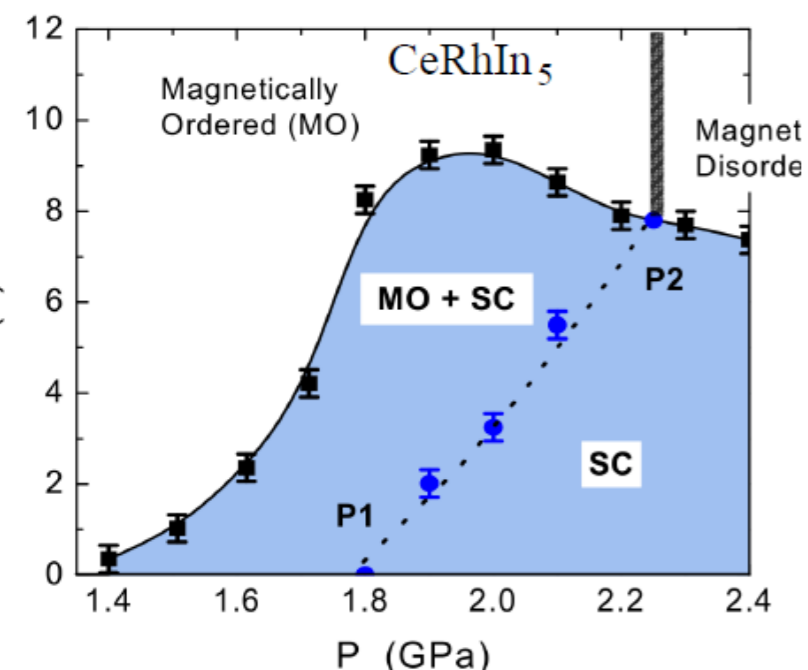
**Large Fermi surface
(Kondo)**



Q. Si et al. *Science* **329**, 1161 (2010)

$$V_{\text{osc}} = A \sin\left(\frac{2\pi F}{H} + \phi\right),$$

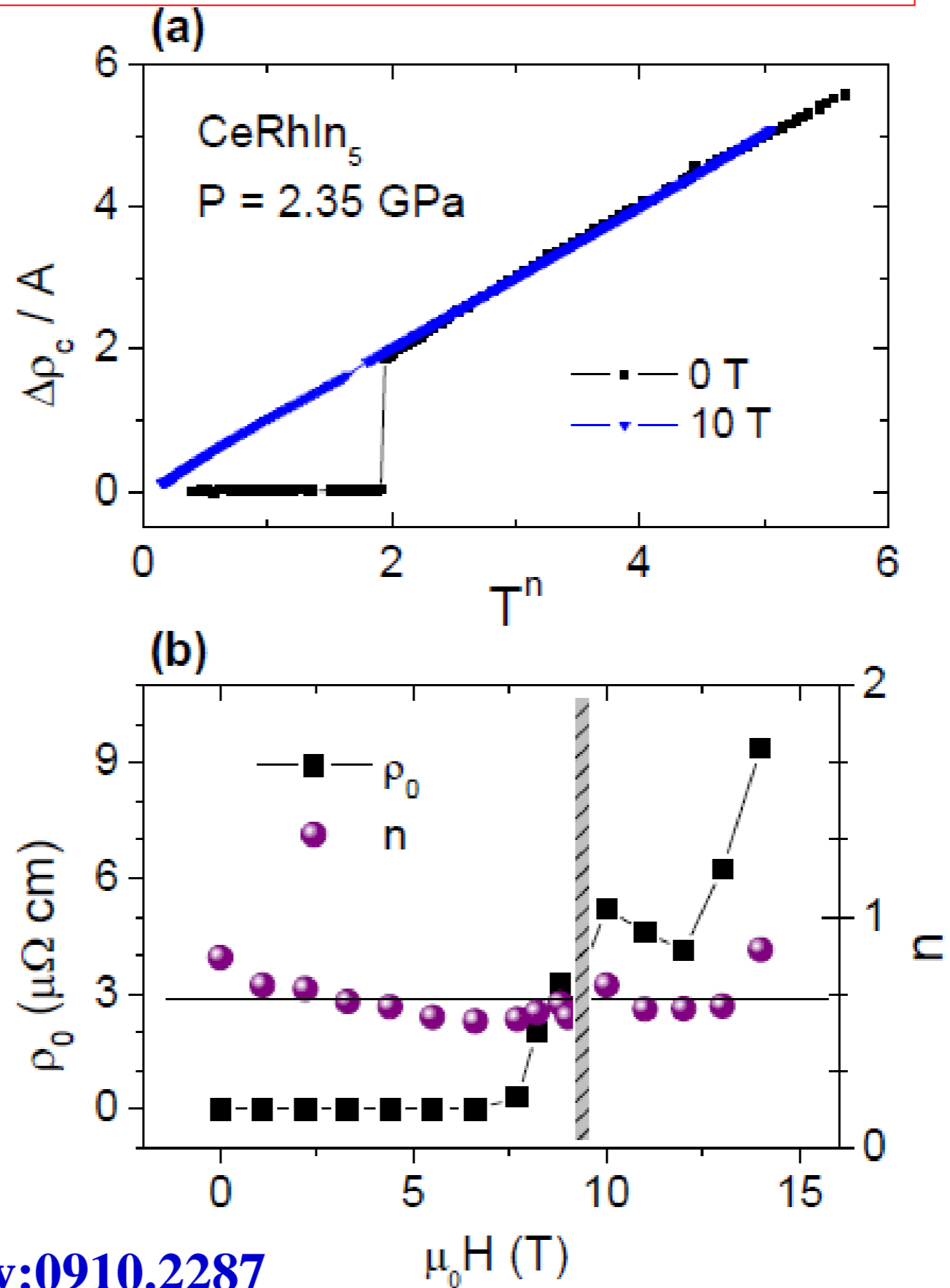
dHvA frequency $F (= \hbar S_F / 2\pi e)$



T. Park, *et al.*, *Nature* **440**, 65 (2006).

S_F cross-sectional area of Fermi surface

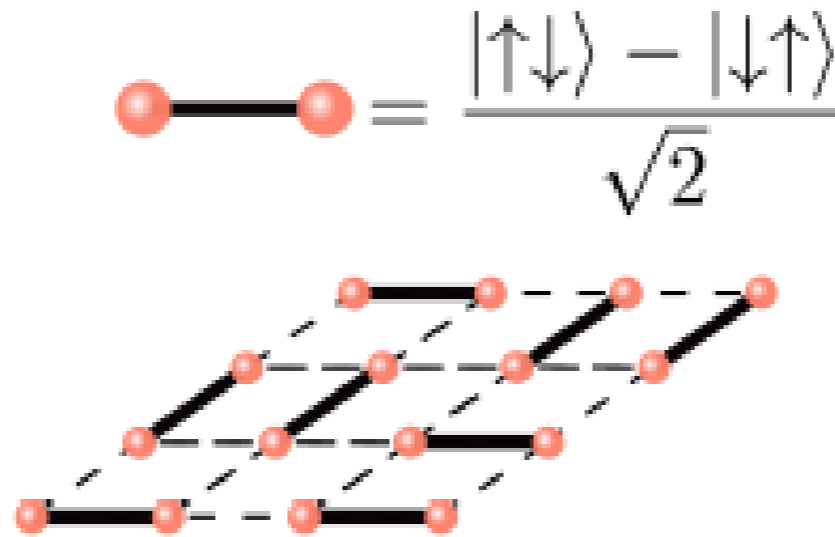
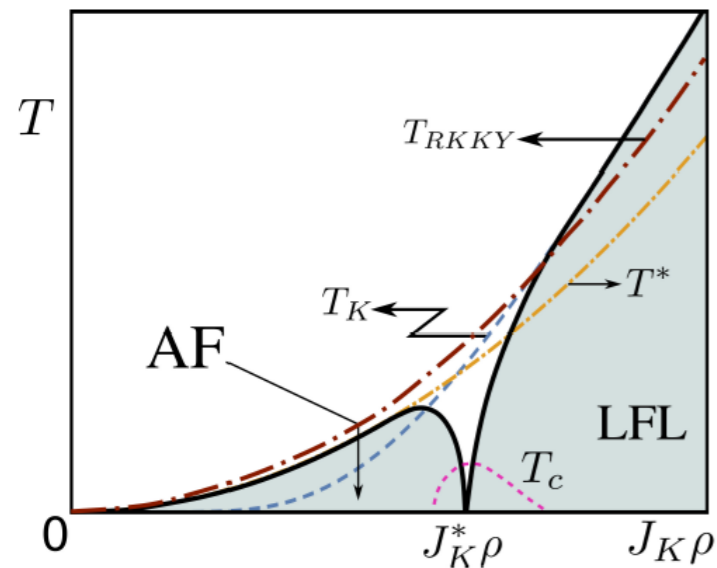
Sub-linear-T resistivity (non-Fermi liquid)



Open issues on mechanism of strange superconductivity in CeMIn₅

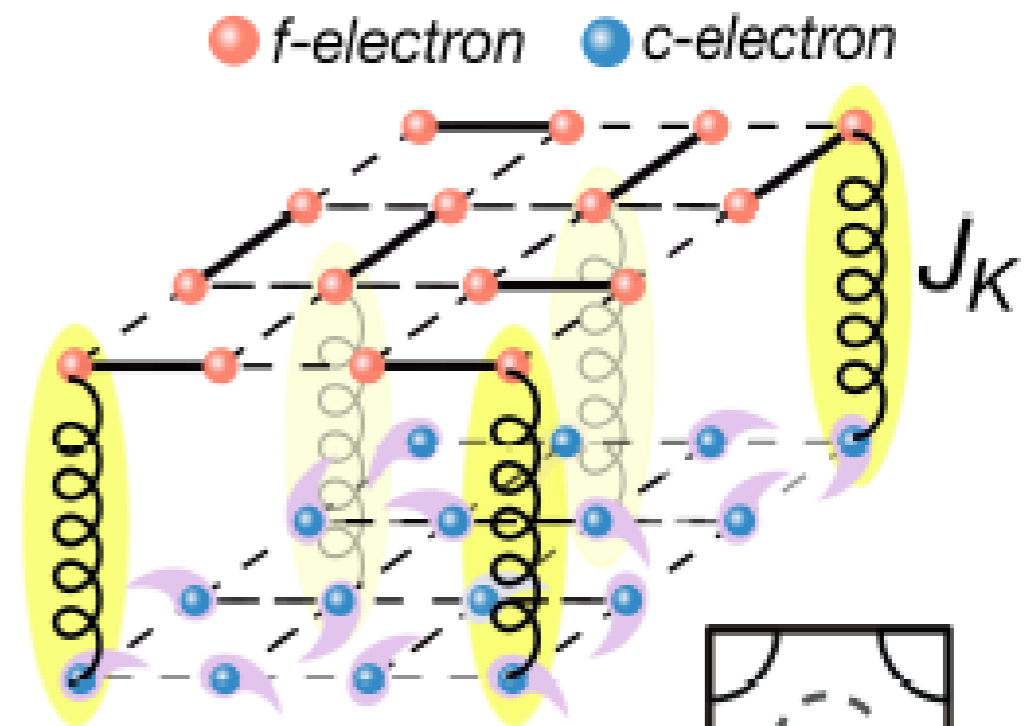
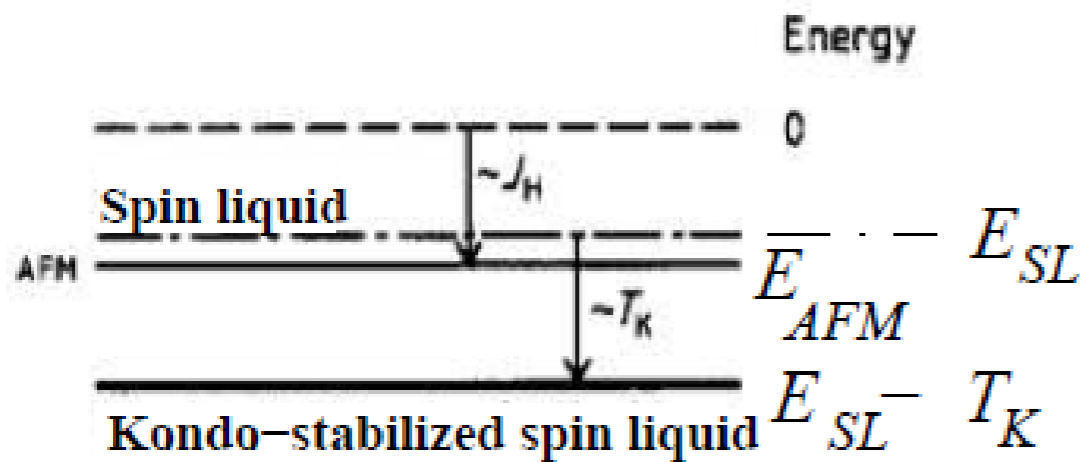
- **How do (f) electrons incorporate in the superconducting state?**
 - **How does a strange metal turn into a superconductor?**
 - **What are the links among SM, Kondo coherence, superconductivity, and QCP?**

Anderson's RVB spin-liquid for cuprate superconductors



Resonating Valence Bond (RVB) spin-liquid

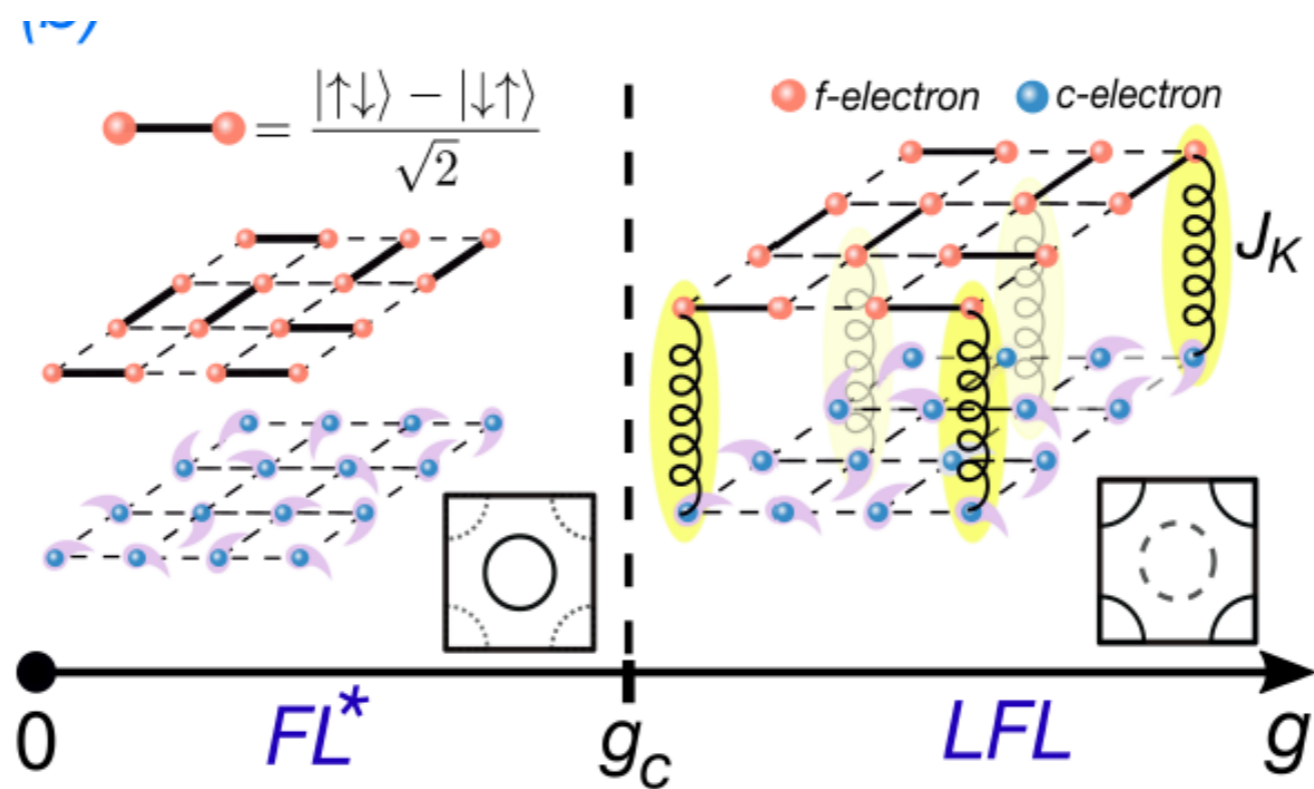
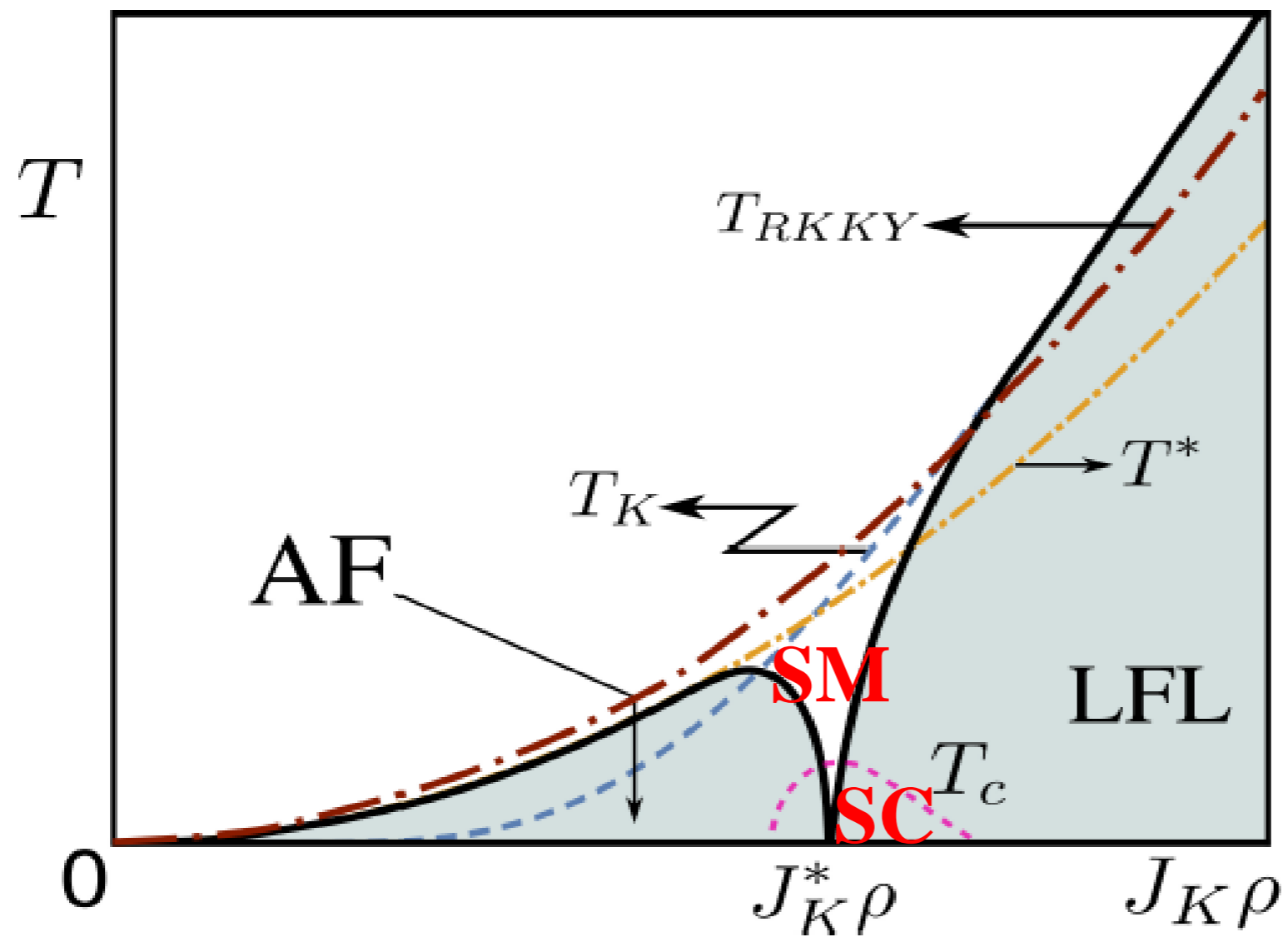
Kondo stabilized spin-liquid close to magnetic instability (phase transition)



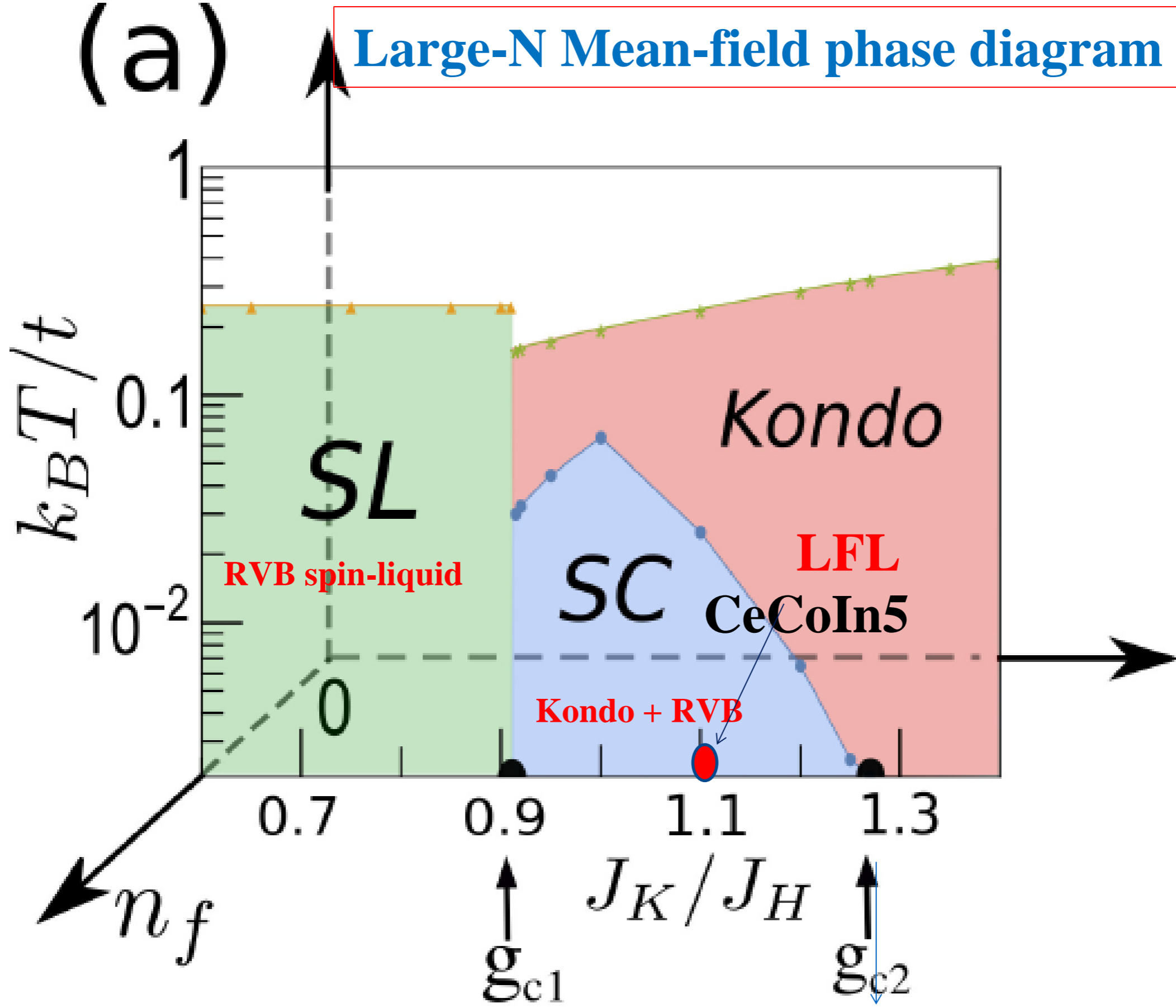
Escape of RVB singlets into conduction sea
→ Bose condensing Cooper pairing
→ superconductivity Andrei, Coleman JPCM 1989

inter-layer proximity



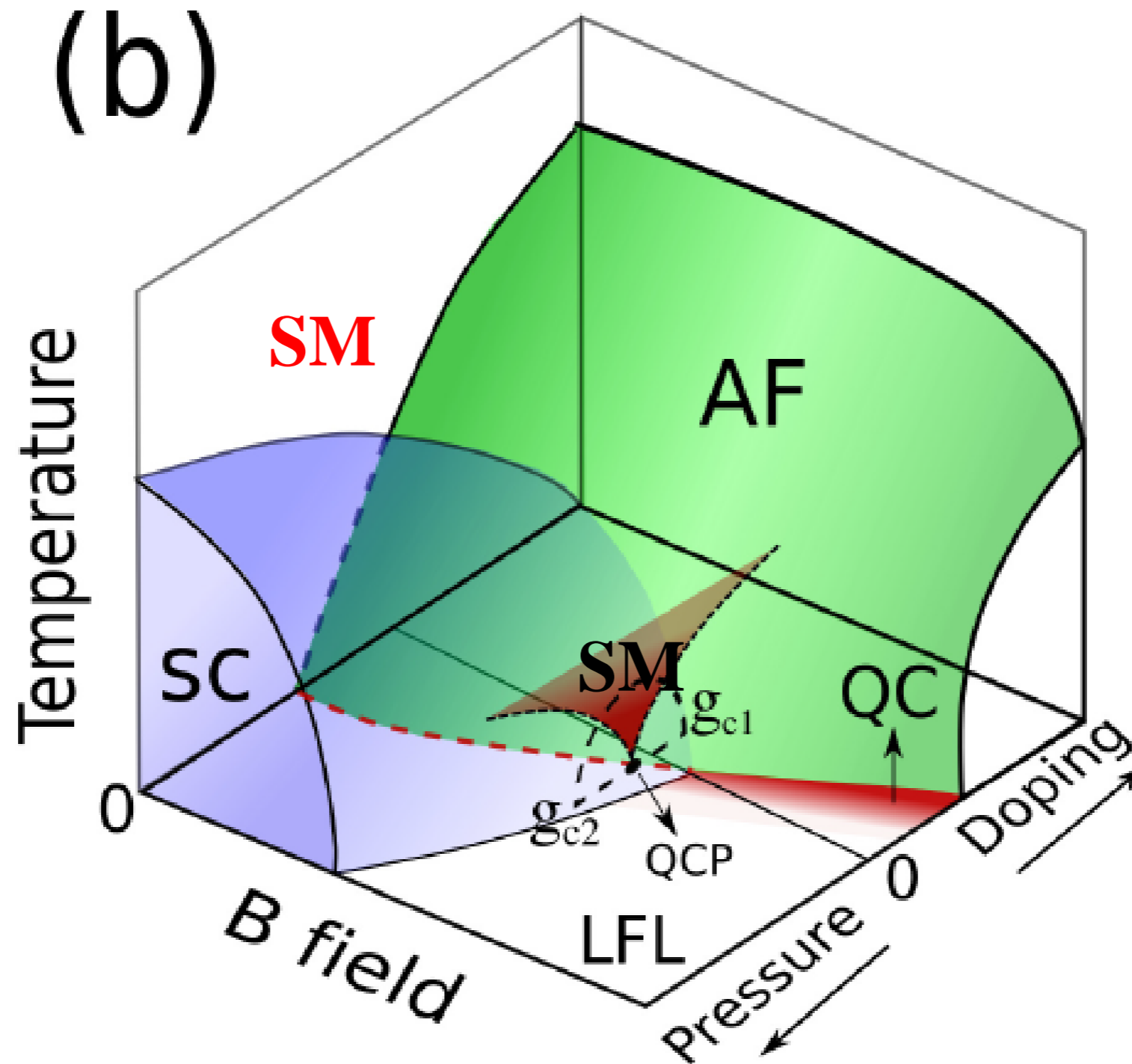


Large-N Mean-field phase diagram

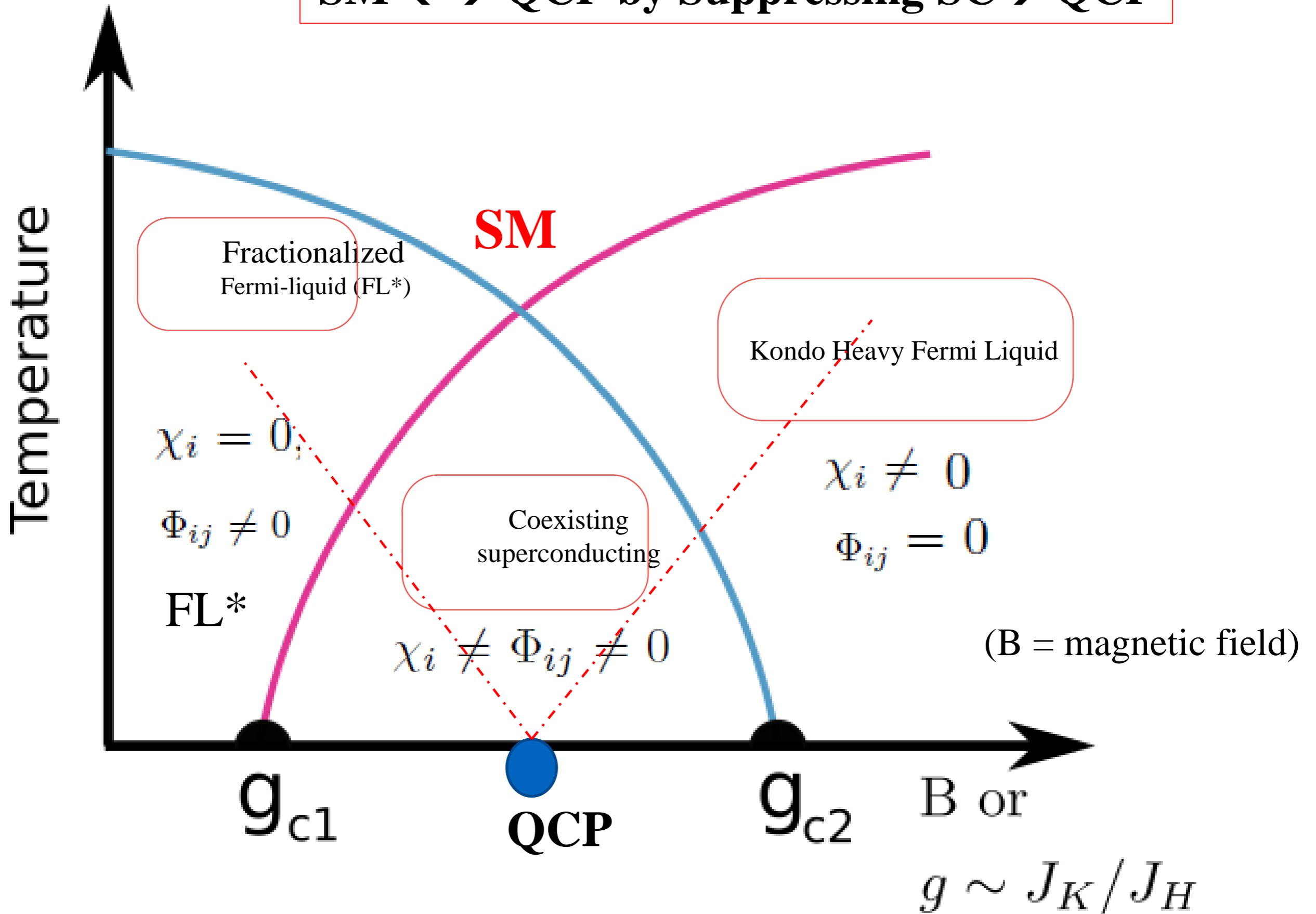


Superconductivity = co-existence btw Kondo and RVB spin-liquid

Strange metal (SM), superconductivity and quantum criticality



SM \leftrightarrow QCP by Suppressing SC \rightarrow QCP



Effective field theory beyond mean-field

Effective Lagrangian – Mean-field

Y. Chang *et al* PRB 2018

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi_{ij} &\longrightarrow \Phi_{ij} + \hat{\Phi}_{ij} & \Phi_{ij}, \chi_i &: \text{uniform values} \\ \chi_i &\longrightarrow \chi_i + \hat{\chi}_i & \hat{\Phi}_{ij}, \hat{\chi}_i &: \text{fluctuations}\end{aligned}$$

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$$S_\Phi = \int dk \sum_{\alpha\beta} \left[\Phi_{\mathbf{k}} \epsilon_{\alpha\beta} f_k^\alpha f_{-k}^\beta + h.c. \right] + \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \int d\tau |\Phi_{ij}|^2 / J_H$$

Effective action beyond mean-field —amplitude (Gaussian) fluctuation

$$S_G = \int dk \left[\hat{\chi}_k^\dagger \left(-G_\chi^b \right)^{-1}(\omega, \mathbf{k}) \hat{\chi}_k + \hat{\Phi}_k^\dagger \left(-G_\Phi^b \right)^{-1}(\omega, \mathbf{k}) \hat{\Phi}_k \right]$$

$$G_{\chi(\Phi)}^b(\omega, \mathbf{k}) = \frac{2(\epsilon_{\chi(\Phi)}(\mathbf{k}) + m_{\chi(\Phi)})}{(i\omega_{\chi(\Phi)})^2 - (\epsilon_{\chi(\Phi)}(\mathbf{k}) + m_{\chi(\Phi)})^2}$$

Competition Kondo (S_K) vs. RVB (S_J)

$$S_K = J_\chi \sum_{\sigma=\uparrow\downarrow} \int dk dk' \left[(c_{k\sigma}^\dagger f_{k'\sigma}) \hat{\chi}_{k+k'}^\dagger + h.c. \right],$$

$$S_J = J_\Phi \sum_{\alpha,\beta=\uparrow\downarrow} \int dk dk' \left[\epsilon_{\alpha\beta} \hat{\Phi}_k f_{k'}^\beta f_{k+k'}^\alpha + h.c. \right],$$

$$S_4 = \frac{u_\chi}{2} \int dk_1 dk_2 dk_3 \hat{\chi}_{k_1}^\dagger \hat{\chi}_{k_2}^\dagger \hat{\chi}_{k_3} \hat{\chi}_{-k_1-k_2-k_3}$$

$$+ \frac{u_\Phi}{2} \int dk_1 dk_2 dk_3 \hat{\Phi}_{k_1}^\dagger \hat{\Phi}_{k_2}^\dagger \hat{\Phi}_{k_3} \hat{\Phi}_{-k_1-k_2-k_3}$$

Cooper instability: RG analysis near g_{c1} and g_{c2}

$$S_{eff} = S_0 + S_\chi + S_\Phi + S_G + S_K + S_J + S_{4\uparrow} + S_{sc}$$

Composite Co $\Delta \sim \langle \chi^\dagger \chi^\dagger \Phi \rangle$

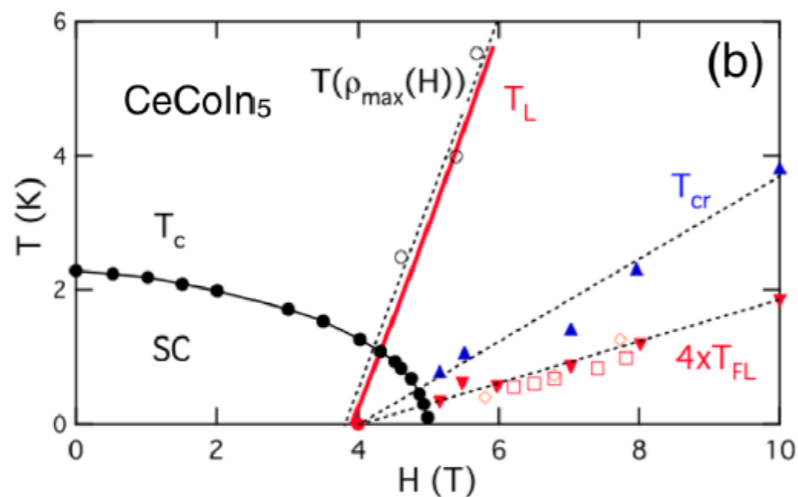
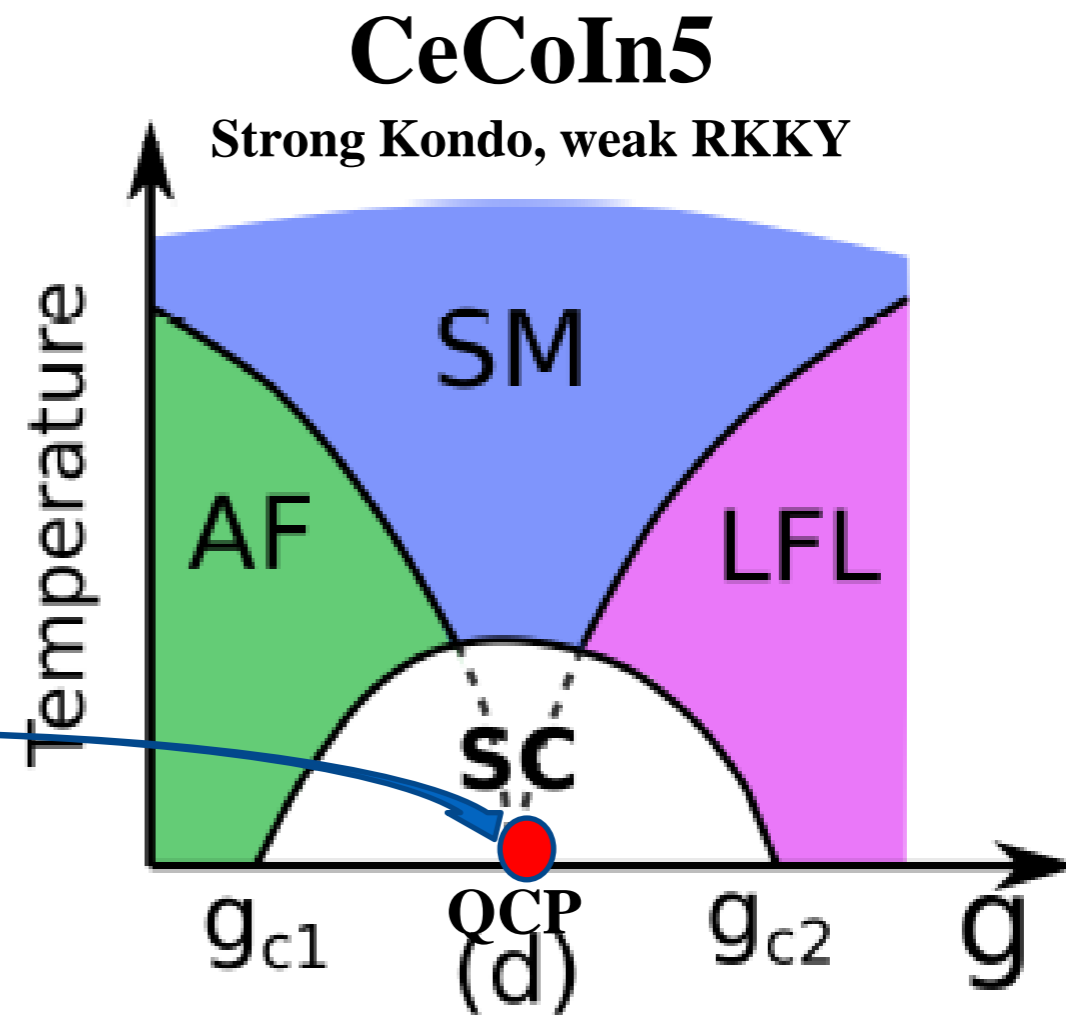
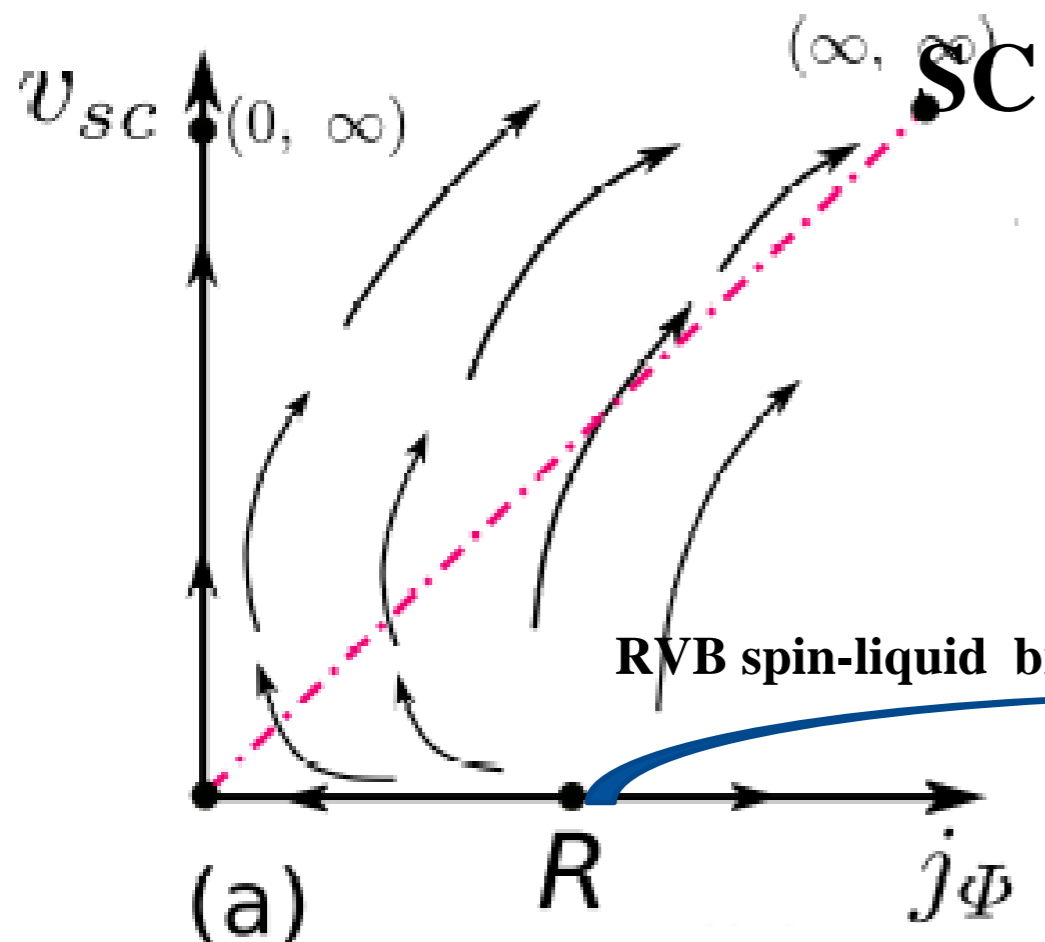
via higher order collaborations btw Kondo and RVB

$$S_{sc} = \begin{cases} v_{sc} \sum_{(\alpha,\beta)=\uparrow,\downarrow} \int dk_1 dk_2 dk_3 \left[\chi_{k_1}^\dagger \chi_{k_2}^\dagger \epsilon^{\alpha\beta} c_{k_3,\alpha}^\dagger c_{-k_1-k_2-k_3,\beta}^\dagger + h.c. \right] & (\text{near } g_{c1}), \\ v_{sc} \sum_{(\alpha,\beta)=\uparrow\downarrow} \int d^d k d^d k' \left[\hat{\Phi}_k \epsilon^{\alpha\beta} c_{\alpha,k'}^\dagger c_{\beta,k+k'}^\dagger + h.c. \right] & (\text{near } g_{c2}). \end{cases}$$

Near g_{c2} : phase diagram of CeCoIn5 (Kondo dominated)

$$j'_\Phi = -\frac{d}{2}j_\Phi + 4j_\Phi^3 + v_{sc}^2 j_\Phi,$$

$$v'_{sc} = \left(z - \frac{d}{2}\right)v_{sc} + v_{sc}^3$$



linear crossover (via RVB breakdown under RG)

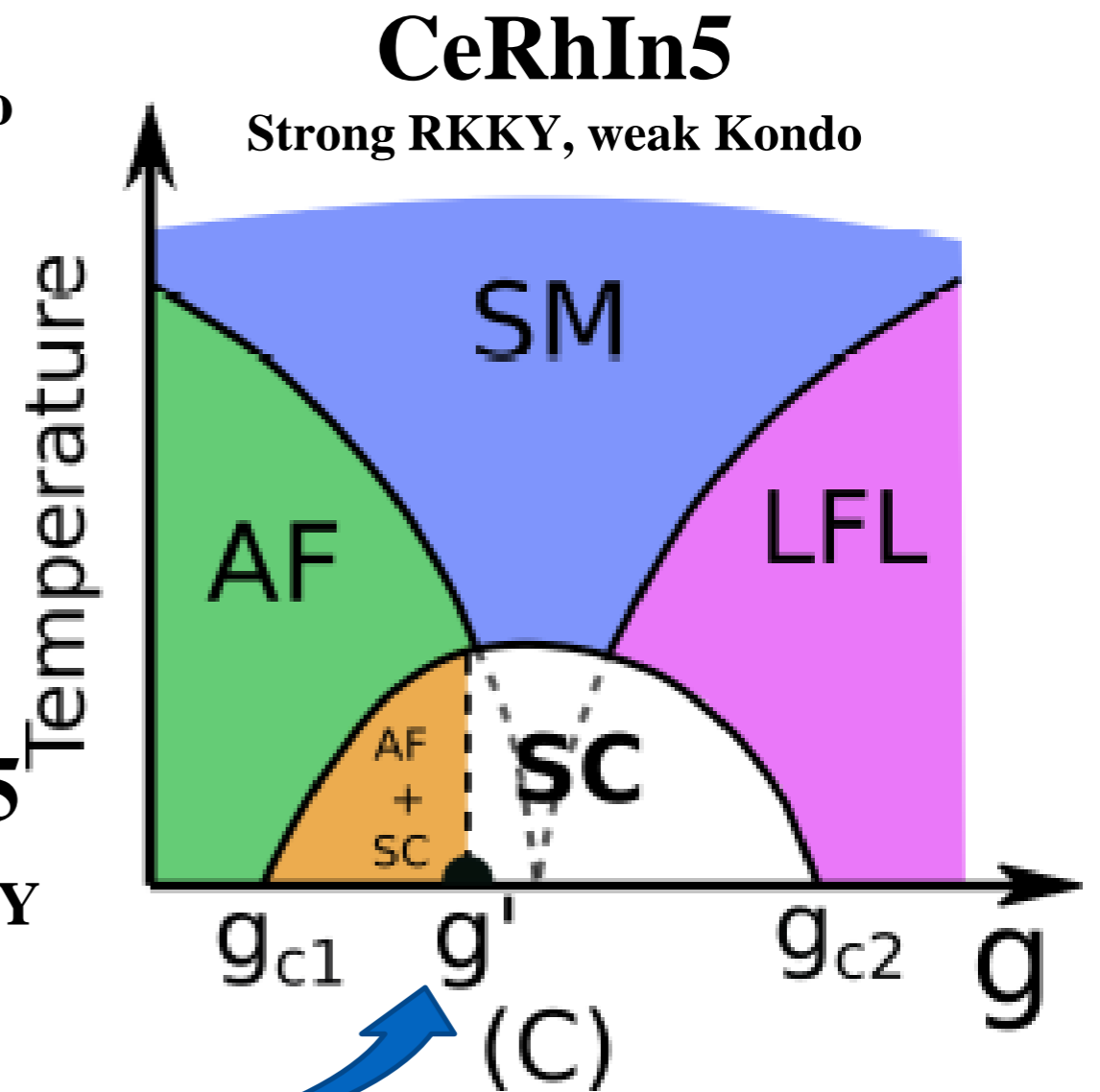
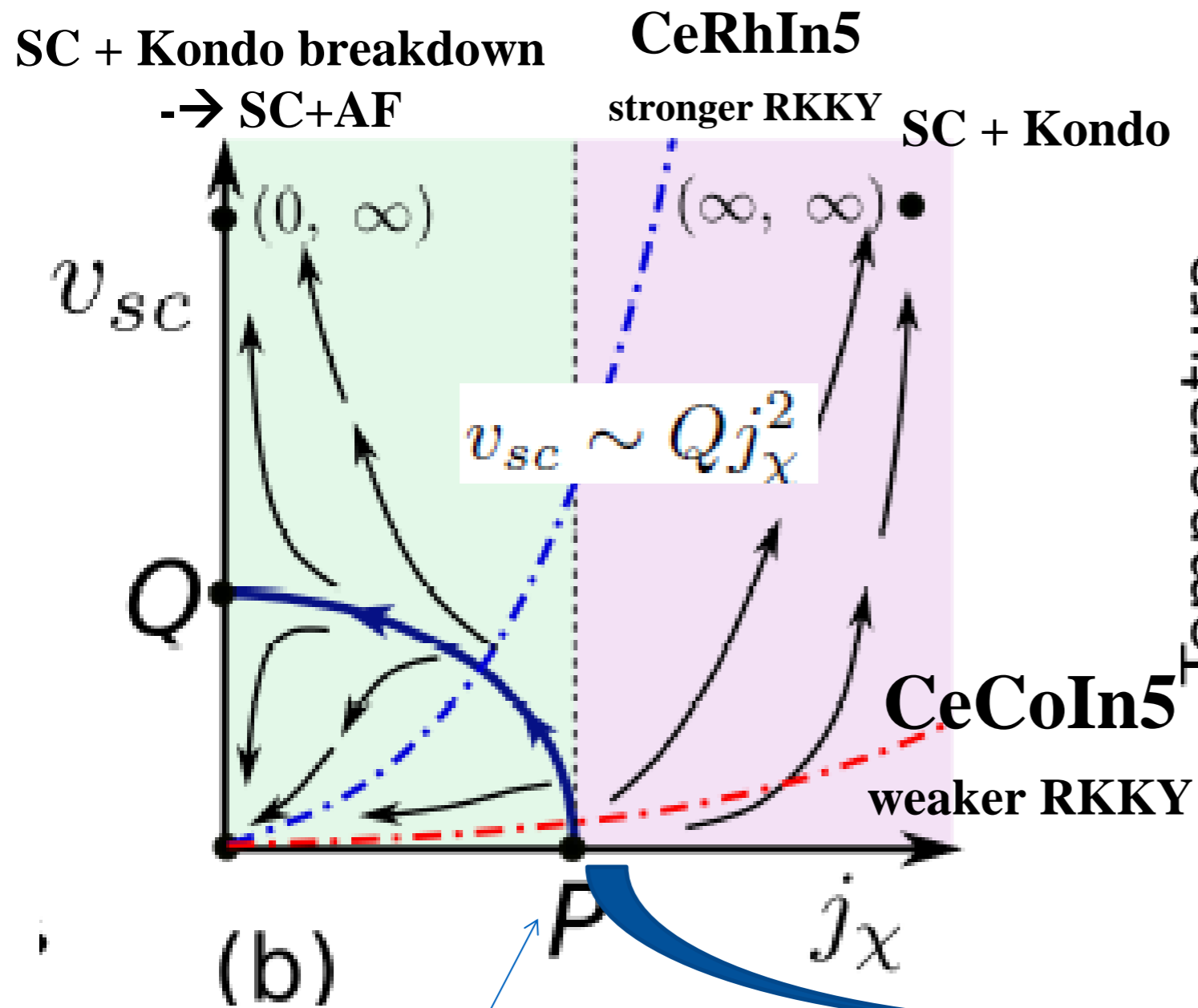
$$T_{FL}^* \propto |g - g_c|^{\nu z} \sim |g - g_c|$$

Near g_{c1} : phase diagram of CeRhIn5 and CeCoIn5

(strong AF RKKY limit)

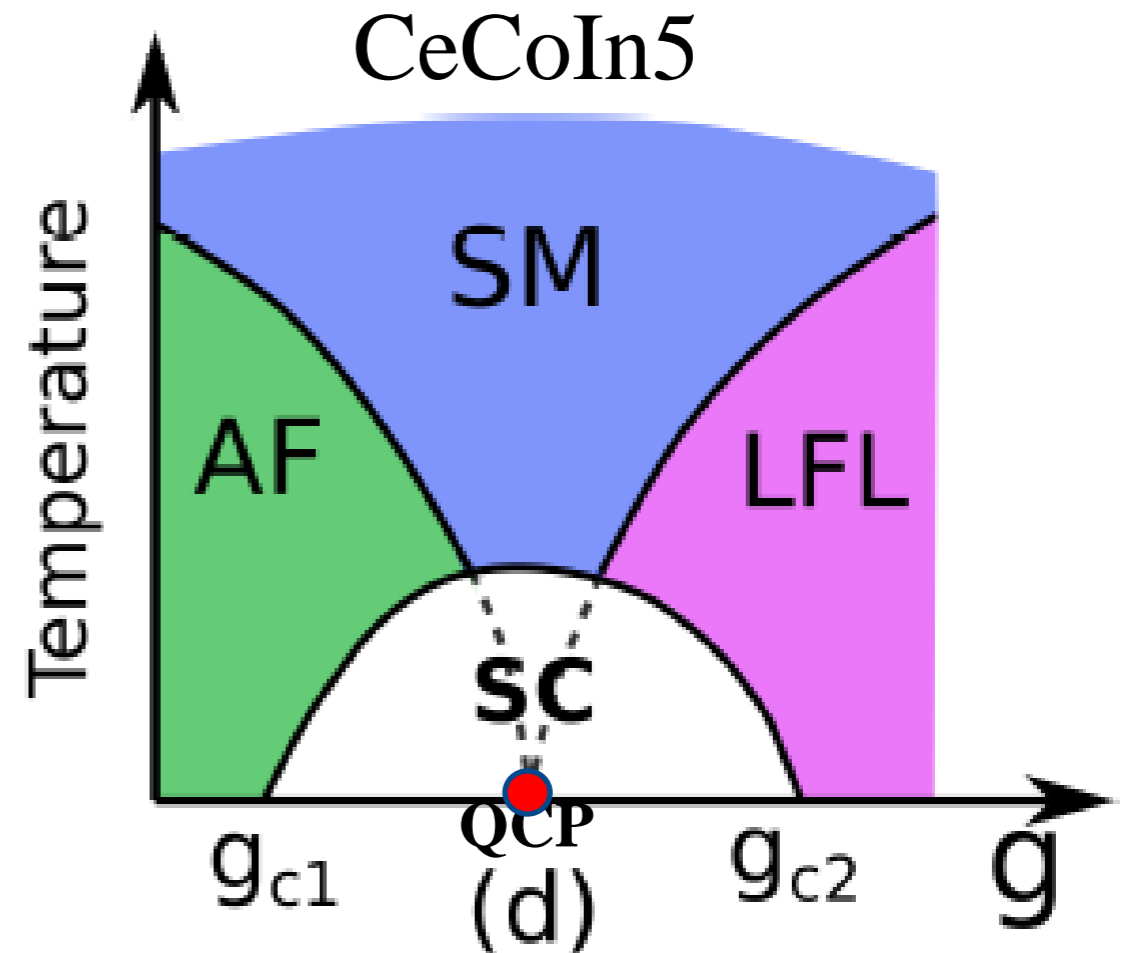
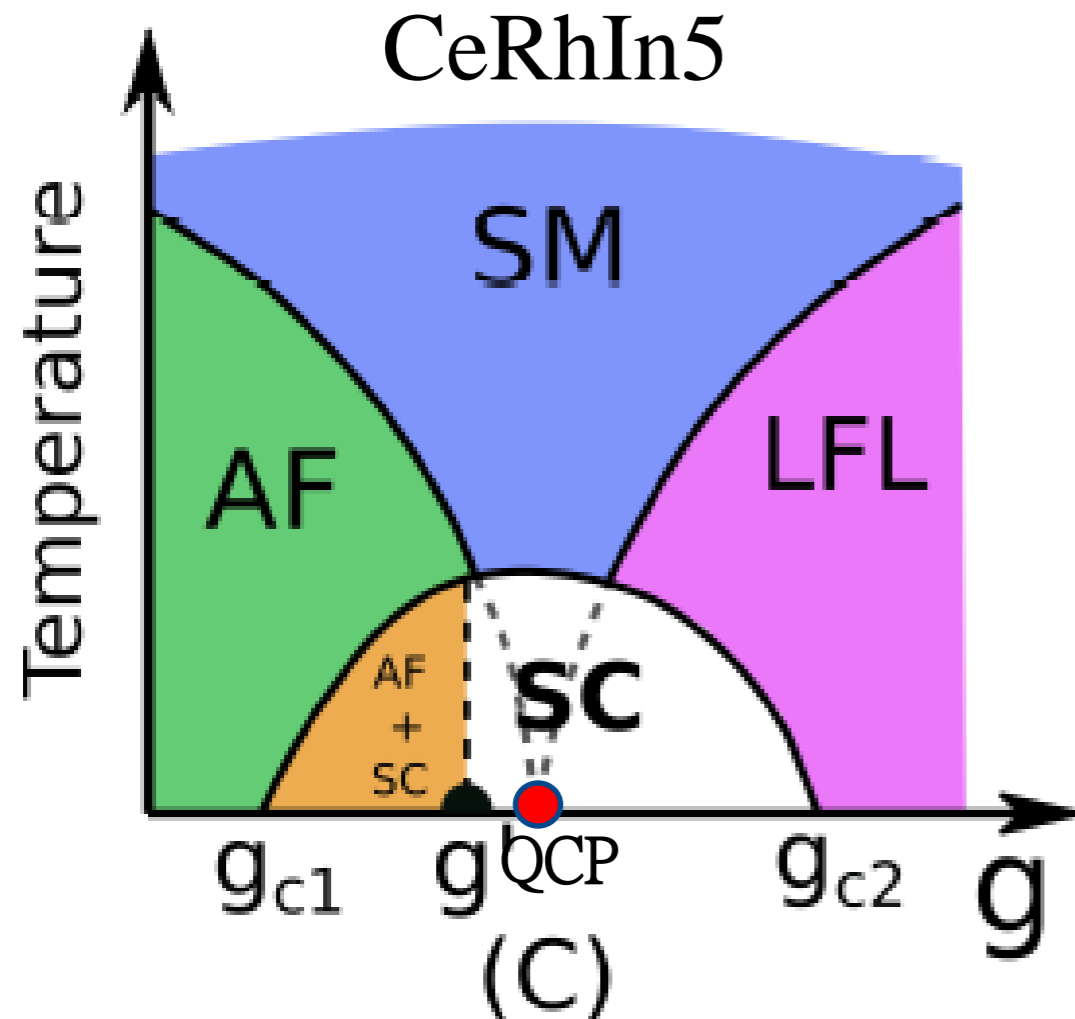
$$j'_\chi = \left(-\frac{\epsilon}{2}\right) j_\chi + \frac{1}{2} j_\chi^3,$$

$$v'_{sc} = -\epsilon v_{sc} + j_\chi^2 v_{sc} + 12v_{sc}^3,$$



Kondo breakdown QCP (g)

strange superconductivity near heavy-fermion quantum critical point



Outstanding puzzles:

- How do the f-electrons incorporate in the superconducting state? Kondo?
- How does superconductivity emerge from the strange-metallic (SM) normal state?
- What are the links among SM, Kondo coherence, superconductivity, and QCP?

**Strange metal state in paramagnetic Kondo lattice:
dynamical large-N Fermionic multichannel pseudo fermion
approach (arXiv: 2005.03427)**

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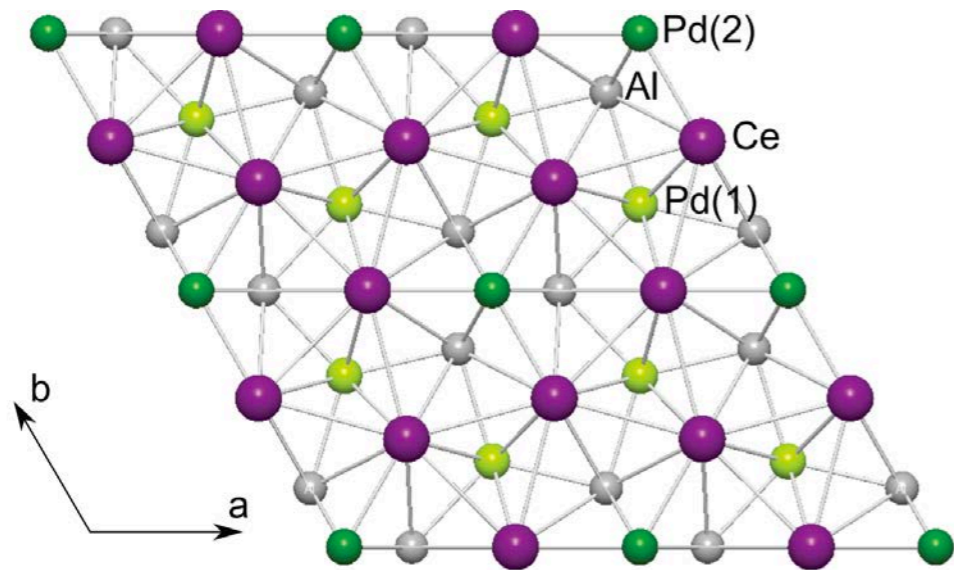


Strange metal phase: new!

CePdAl under B, p

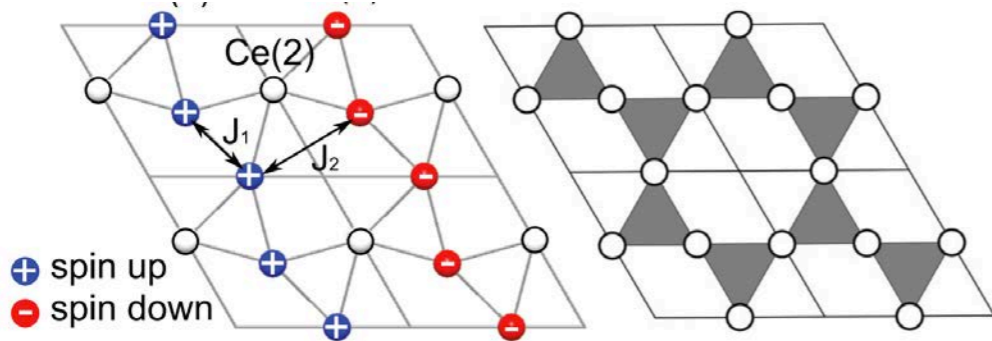
Paramagnetic heavy-fermion metal

Crystal structure: Kagome Kondo lattice



Ce: 5d, 4f

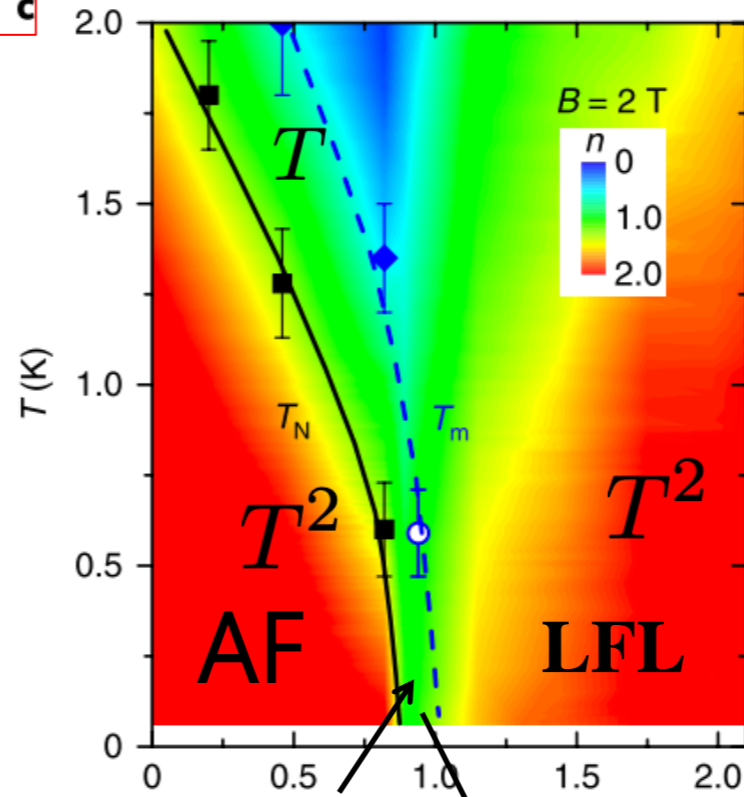
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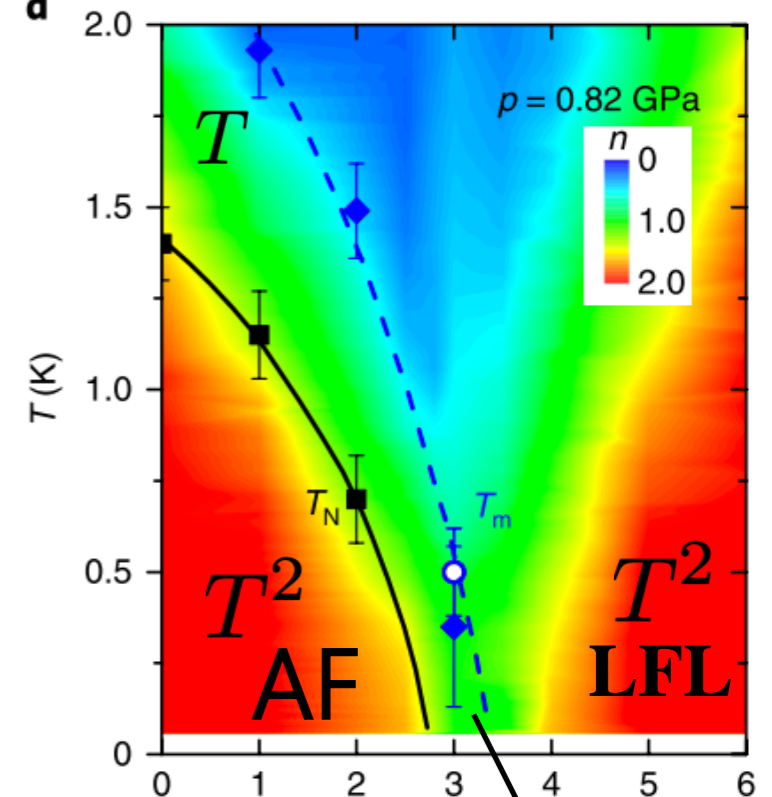
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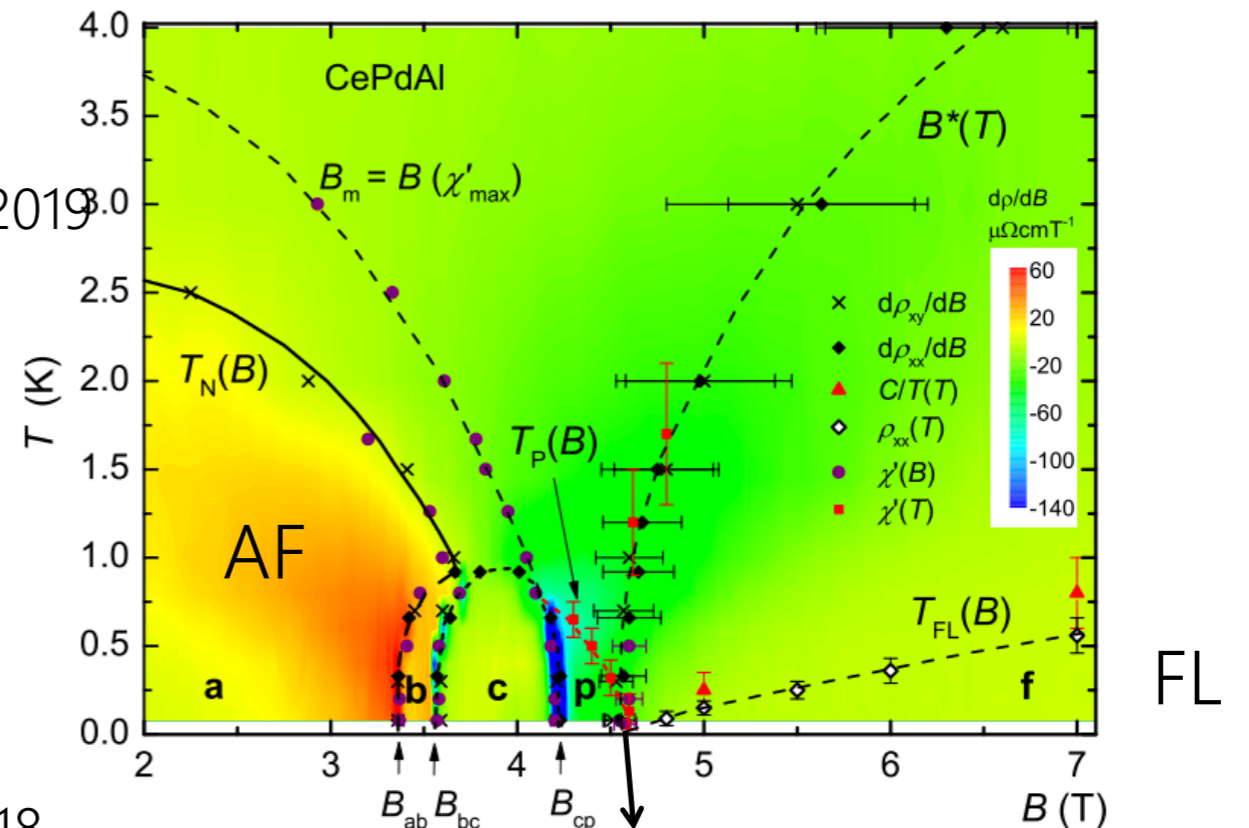
T-quasi-linear Resistivity $\rho(T) \sim T^n$ $1 < m < 2$



paramagnetic spin-liquid



quantum critical strange metal phase

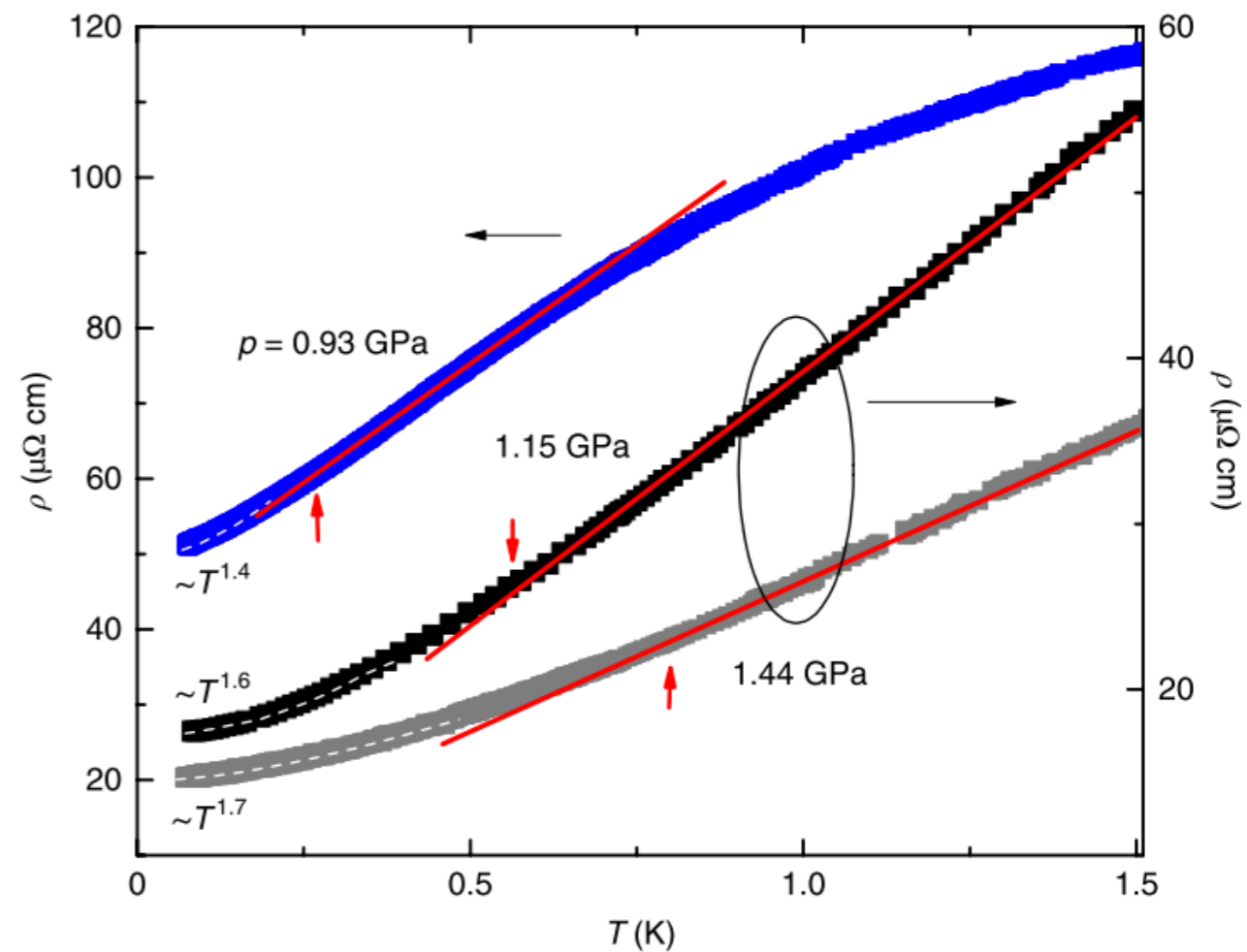
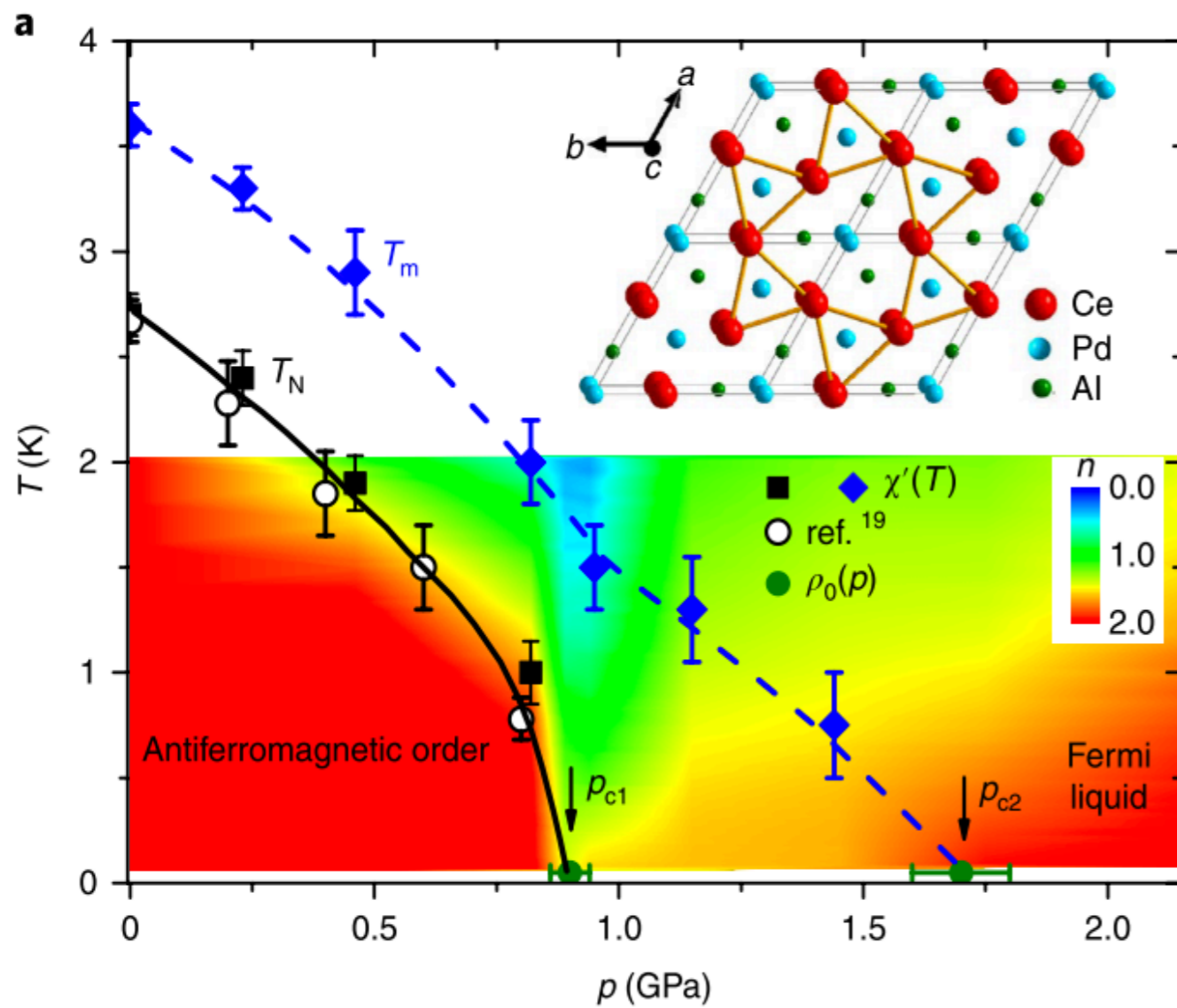


FS reconstruction /Kondo breakdown

Non-Fermi liquid strange metal resistivity

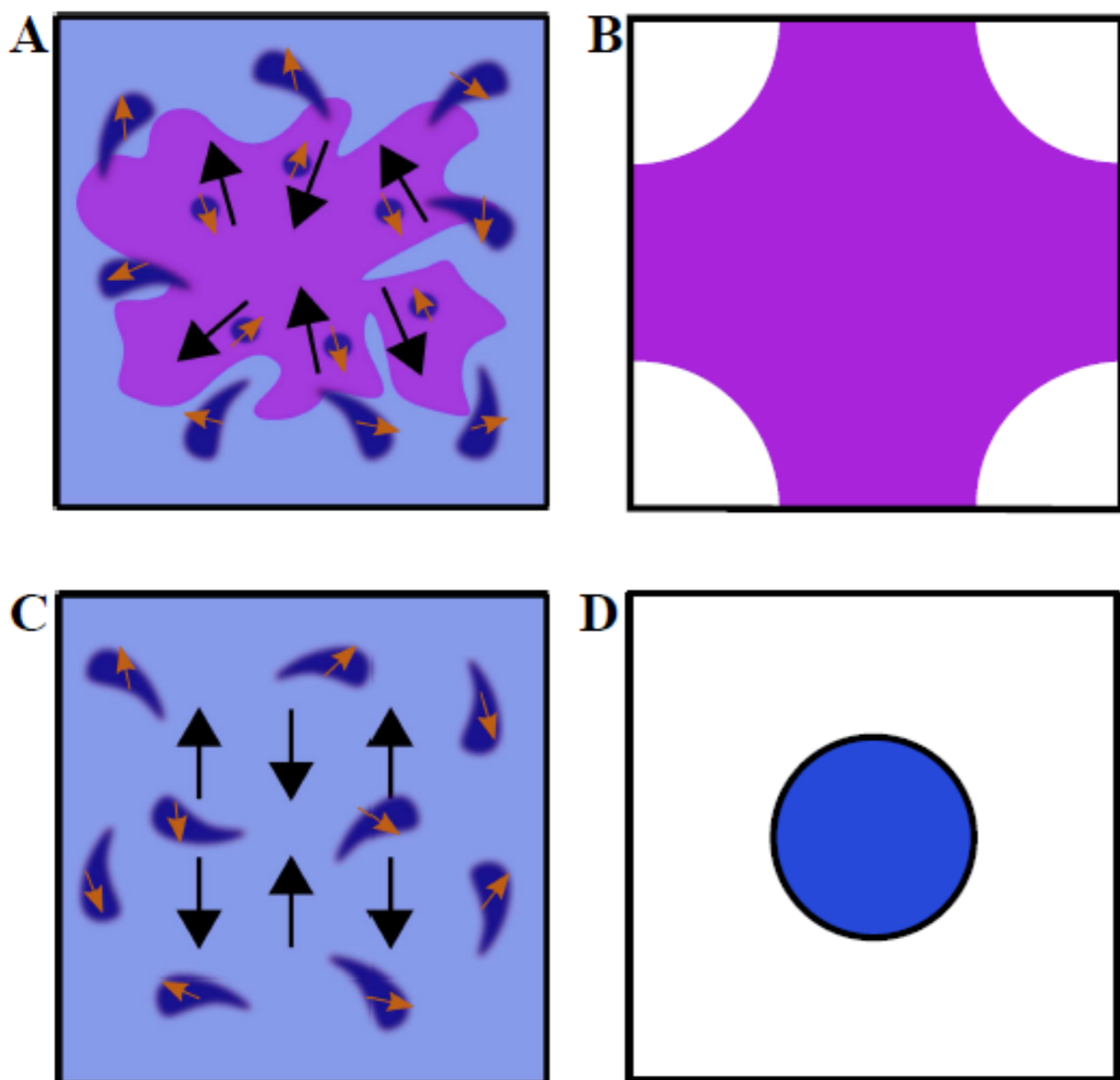
B=0 under pressure

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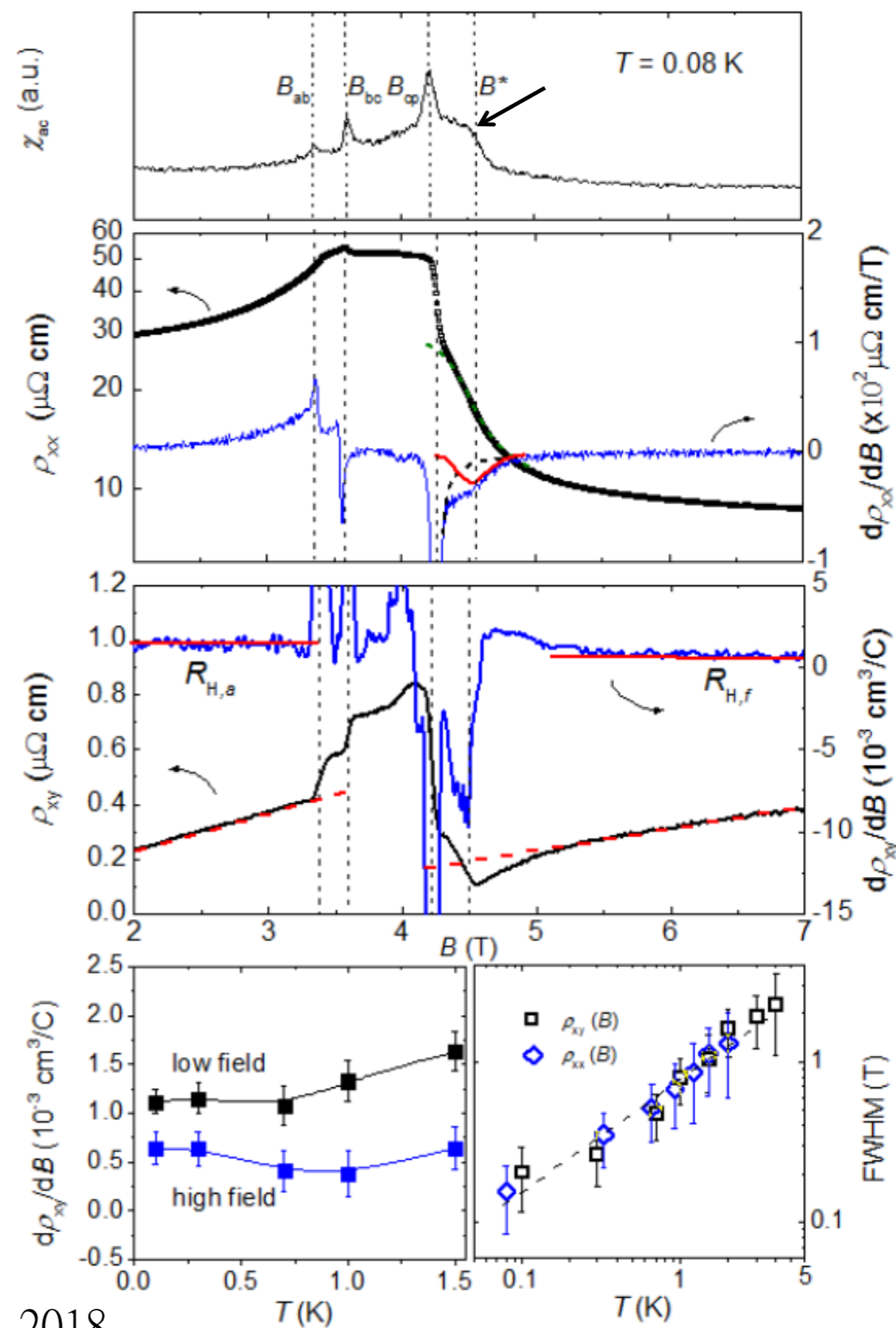


Kondo breakdown and Fermi surface crossover-line $B^*(T)$

Sharp jump in Fermi surface volume at Kondo breakdown QCP

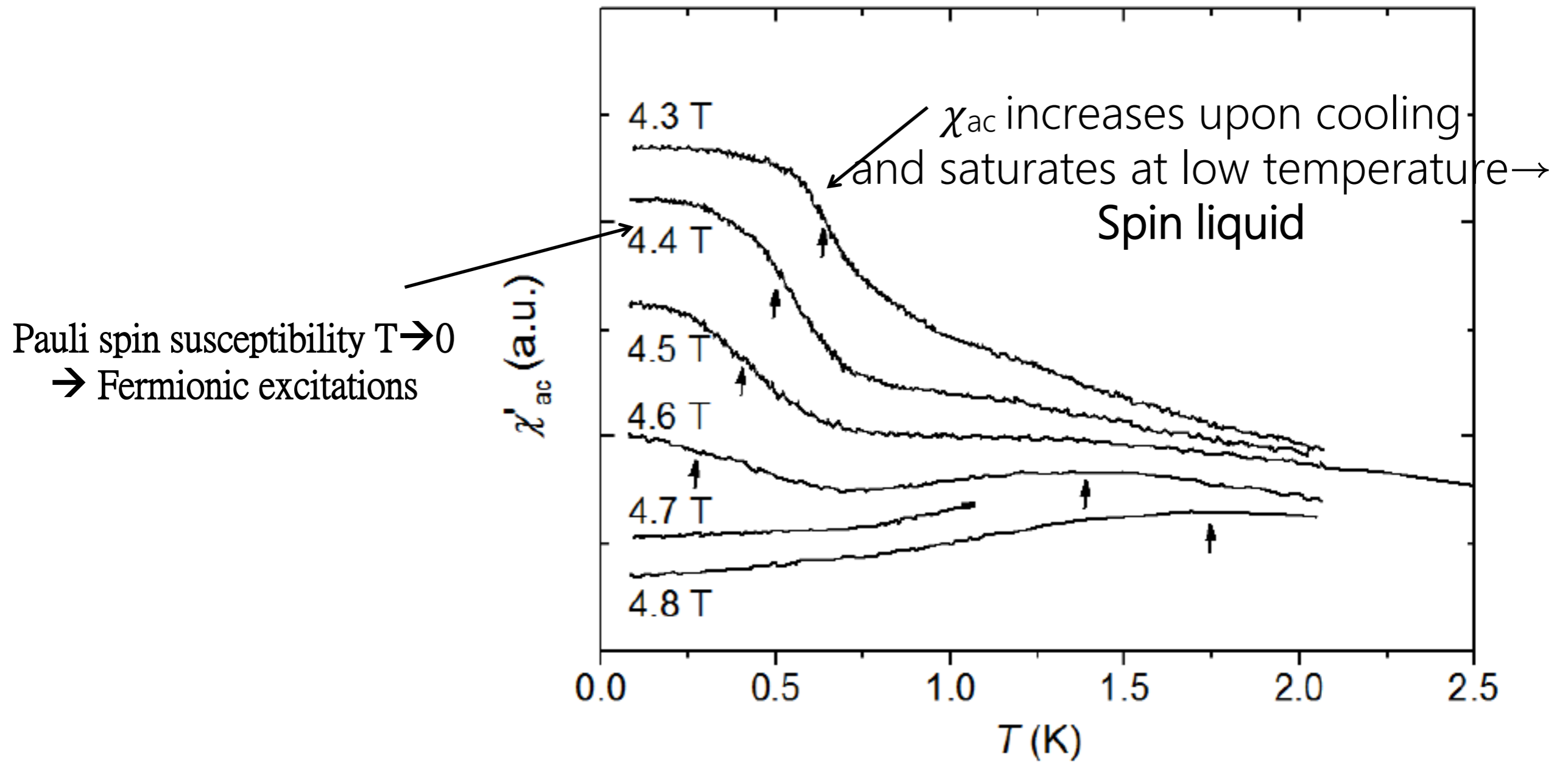


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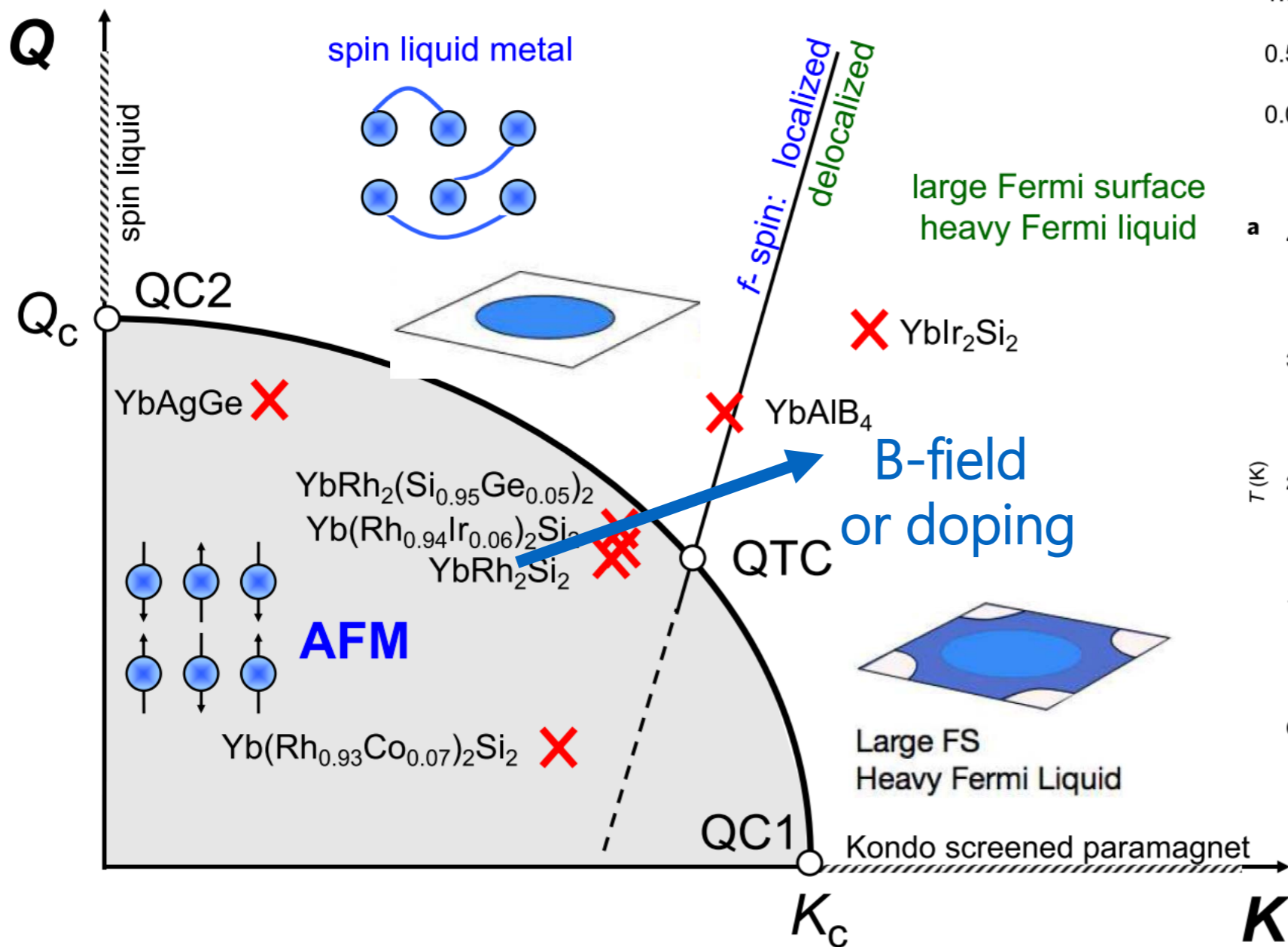
No pressure, paramagnetic fermionic metallic spin-liquid (state “P”)



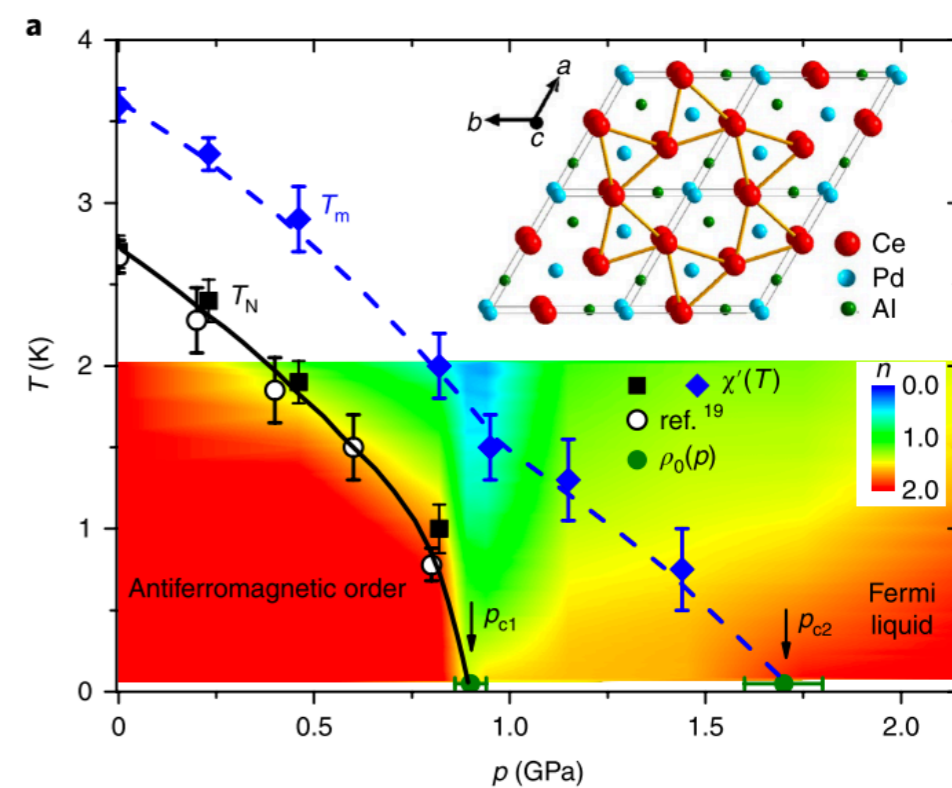
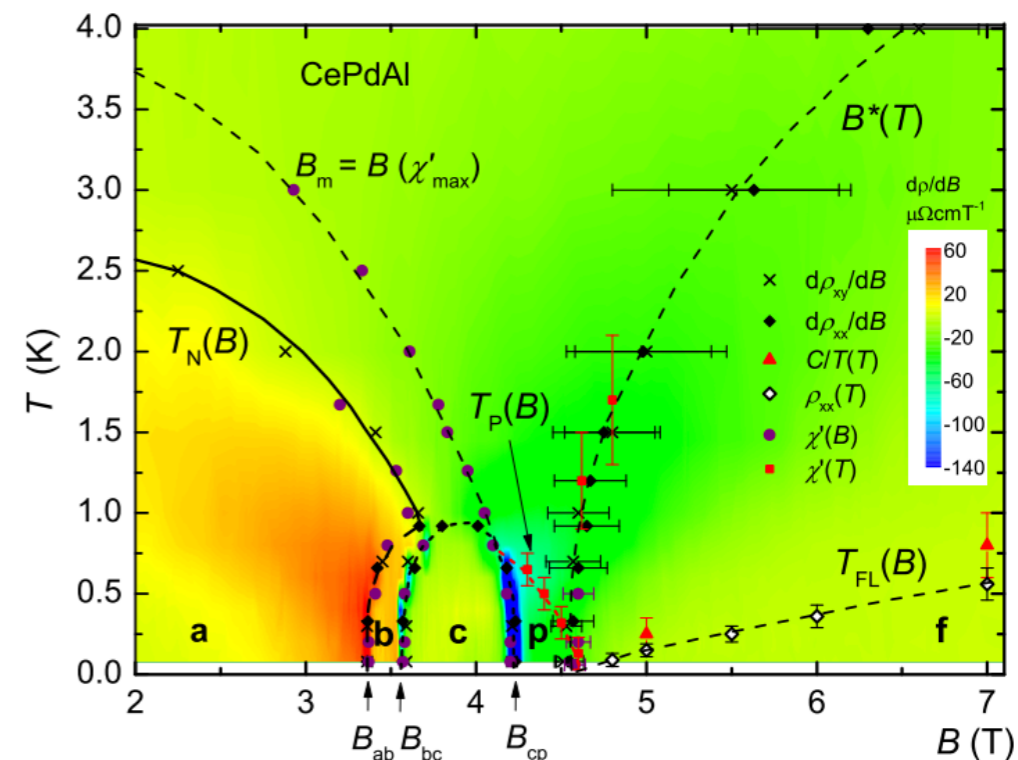
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Frustrated Kondo Lattice

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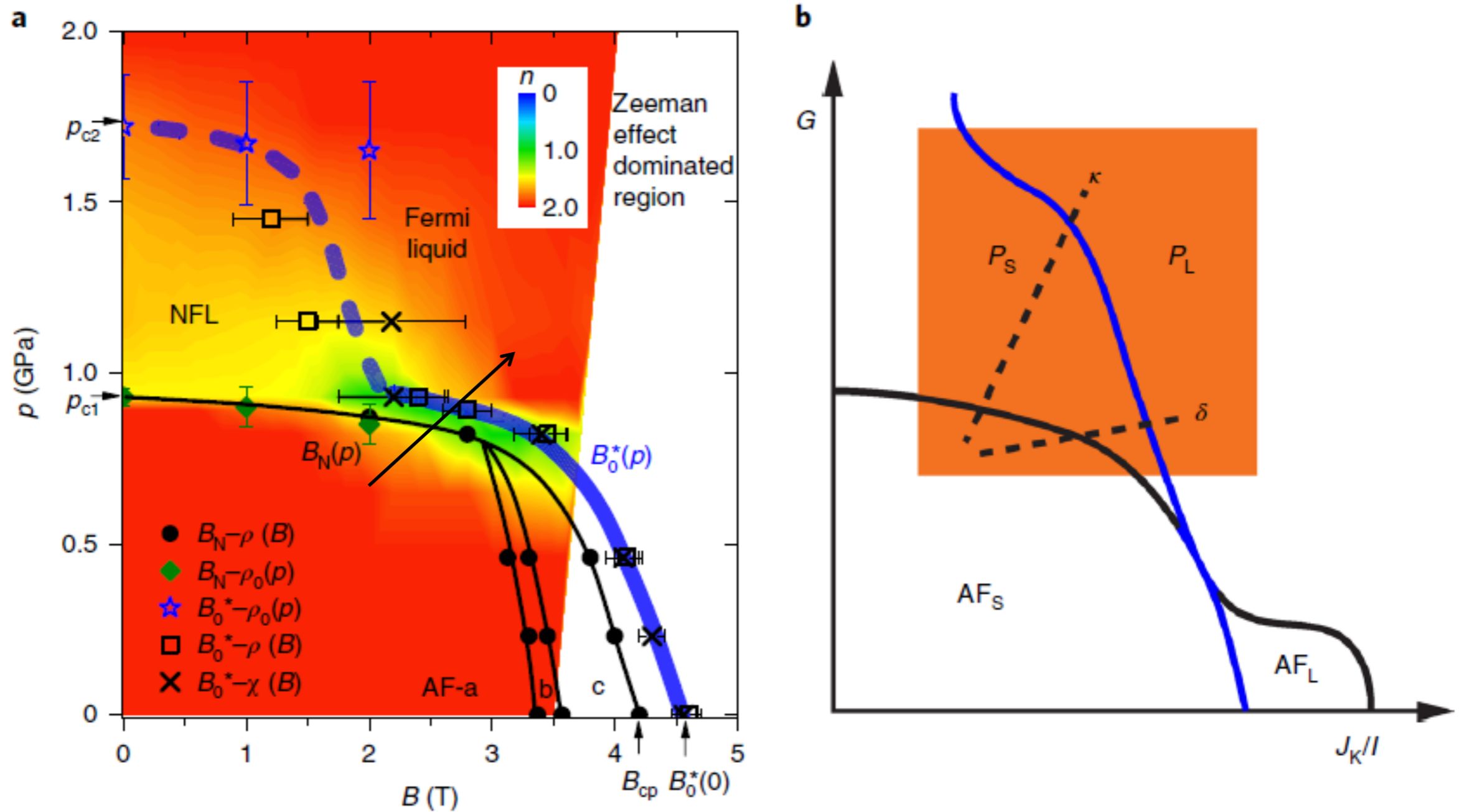
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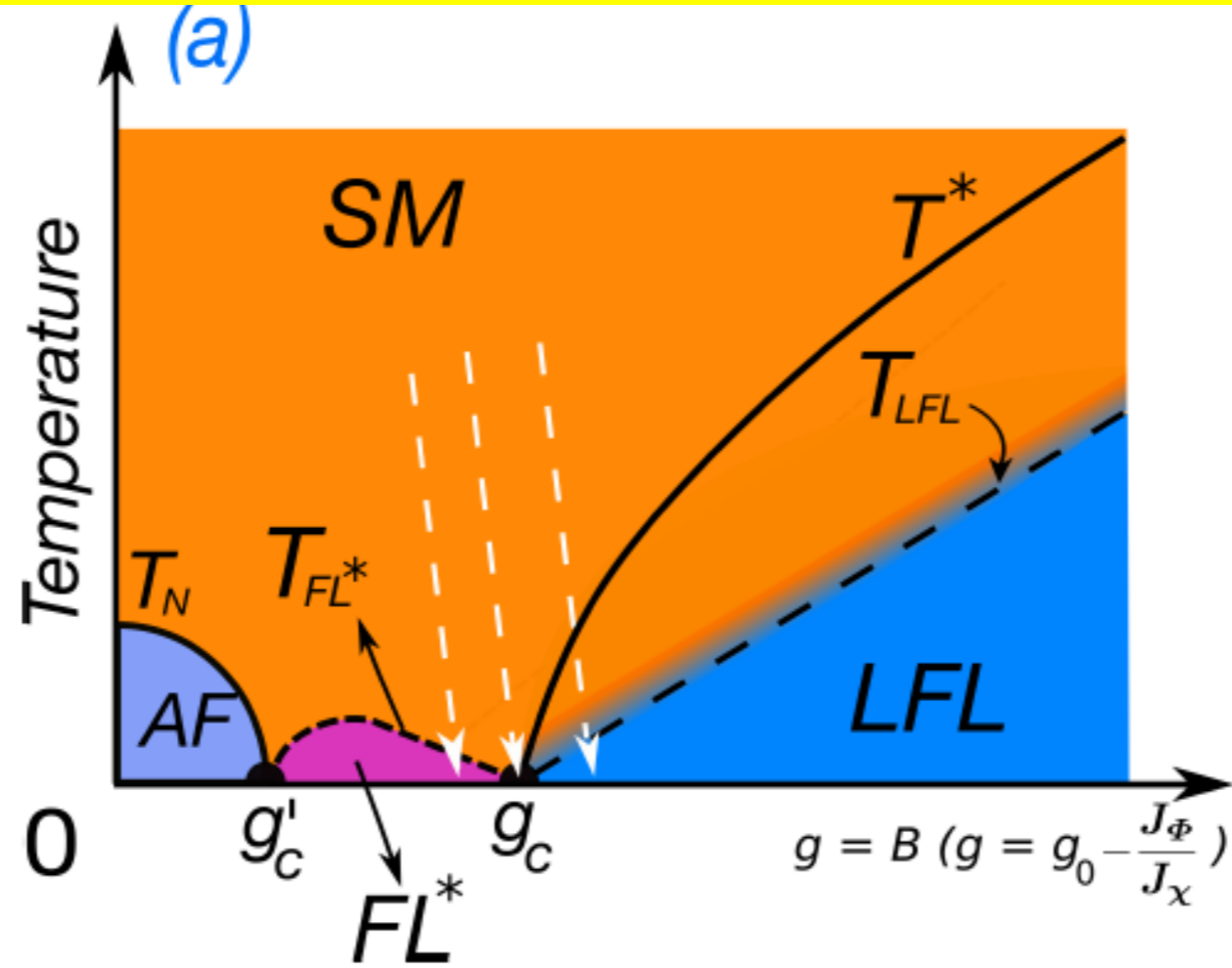
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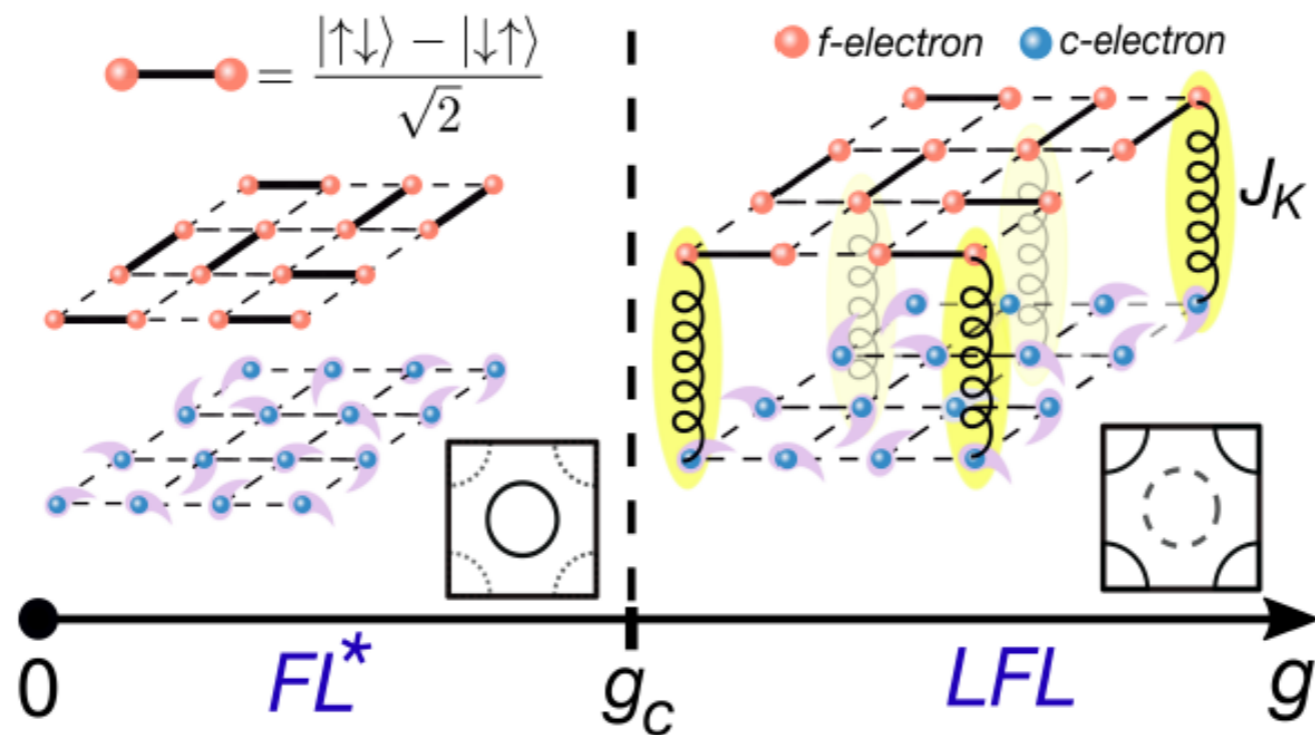
Quantum phase transition between a paramagnetic spin-liquid NFL phase and a heavy FL phase



RG Phase diagram for Ge-YRS



(b) gaped spin-liquid



YY Chang et al PRB 2018

Fermionic Multichannel dynamical large-N 2D Kondo-Heisenberg (KH) Lattice model

P. Coleman et al.,
PRL 2018

$$H = H_0 + H_f + H_J + H_K$$

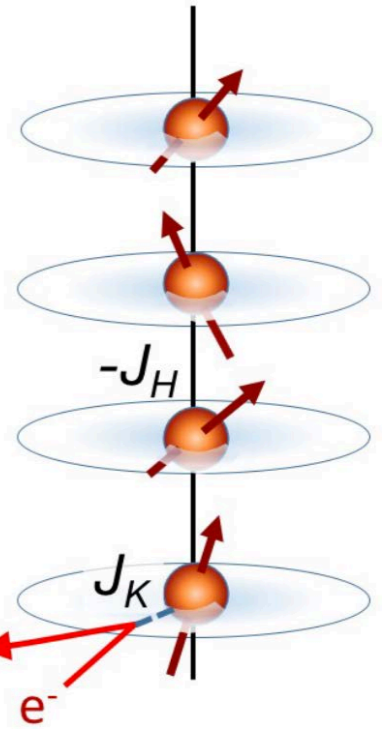
$$H_0 = \sum_{i, \mathbf{P}, \alpha a} \left[\varepsilon_{\mathbf{P}} c_{i\alpha a}^\dagger(\mathbf{P}) c_{i\alpha a}(\mathbf{P}) \right], \quad (\text{conduction electrons})$$

$$H_f = \sum_{i, \alpha} \lambda_i \left[f_{i\alpha}^\dagger f_{i\alpha} - 2S \right] \quad (\text{localized electrons})$$

$$H_K = J_K \sum_i \mathbf{S}_i^f \cdot \mathbf{s}_i^c = -\frac{J_K}{N} \sum_{i,j} \sum_{\alpha\beta, ab} \left(f_{i\beta}^\dagger c_{i\beta a} \right) \left(c_{j\alpha b}^\dagger f_{j\alpha} \right)$$

$$H_J = J_H \sum_{ij} \mathbf{S}_i^f \cdot \mathbf{S}_j^f = -\frac{J_H}{N} \sum_{ij} \sum_{\alpha\beta} \left[\text{sgn}(\alpha) f_{i\alpha}^\dagger f_{j, -\alpha}^\dagger \right] \left[\text{sgn}(\beta) f_{i, -\beta} f_{j\beta} \right]$$

square lattice



$\begin{cases} i = 1, 2, \dots, \mathcal{N}_s & \text{Sites} \\ \alpha = \pm 1, \dots, \pm N/2 & \text{Spin} \\ a = 1, 2, \dots, K & \text{Channel} \end{cases}$	$\begin{cases} K > 2S & \text{Overscreened} \\ K = 2S & \text{Fully screened} \\ K < 2S & \text{Underscreened} \end{cases}$	$c_{i\alpha} \rightarrow c_{i\alpha a}$
		$\kappa \equiv \frac{K}{N} : \text{fixed}$

Hubbard-Stratonovich transformation & order parameters

$$H_K \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{ia\alpha} \chi_{ia} f_{i\alpha}^\dagger c_{ia\alpha} + h.c. + \frac{|\chi_{ia}|^2}{J_K}$$

$$H_J \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{ij\alpha} \Delta_{ij} \tilde{a} f_{i\alpha} f_{j,-\alpha} + h.c. + \frac{|\Delta_{ij}|^2}{J_H}$$

χ, Δ

Bosonic fields

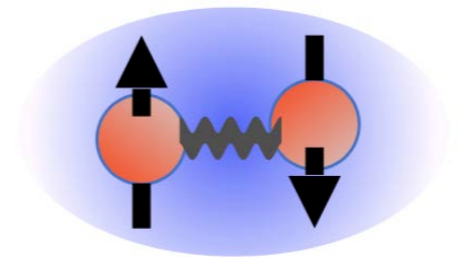
Sp(N) sym.

Mean-field order parameters

RVB: resonating valence bond

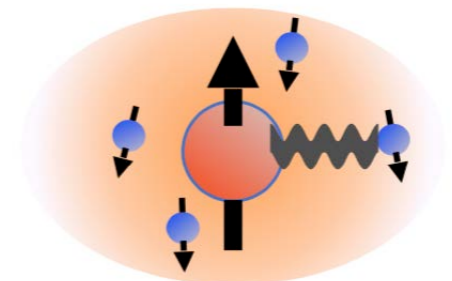
**Fermionic RVB
spin-singlet bond**

$$\Delta_{ij} = -\frac{J_H}{N} \langle f_{i\uparrow} f_{j\downarrow} - f_{i\downarrow} f_{j\uparrow} \rangle$$



Bosonic Kondo correlation

$$\chi_{ia} = -\frac{J_K}{\sqrt{N}} \langle c_{i\alpha}^\dagger f_{i\alpha} \rangle$$



Dynamical large- N self consistent NCA equations

local bath approximation \sim DMFT

$$G_{\chi}(\nu) = \left[-\frac{1}{J_K} - \Sigma_{\chi}(\nu) \right]^{-1},$$

$$G_f(\omega) = \frac{2}{\pi\gamma(\omega)} E_K \left[-\frac{16\Delta^2}{\gamma(\omega)\gamma(-\omega)} \right]$$

$$\Sigma_{\chi}(\nu) = \sum_{\omega} G_f(\omega + \nu) G_{c0}(\omega),$$

$$\Sigma_f(\omega) = -\kappa \sum_{\nu} G_{\chi}(\nu) G_{c0}(\omega - \nu)$$

$$\gamma(\omega) \equiv i\omega + \lambda - |x|^2 G_{c0}(\omega) - \Sigma_f(\omega)$$

$$E_K(z) \equiv \int_{y=0}^{\pi/2} (1 - z \sin^2 y)^{-1/2}$$

Large- N limit:

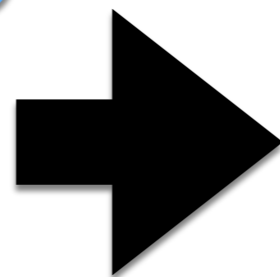
$$\Sigma_c(\omega) = -\frac{1}{N} \sum_{\nu} G_{\chi}(\nu) G_f(\omega + \nu)$$

$$\propto \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{N}\right) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } N \rightarrow \infty$$

Saddle-point eqs.

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial \Delta} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial F}{\partial \lambda} = 0$$

F : free energy

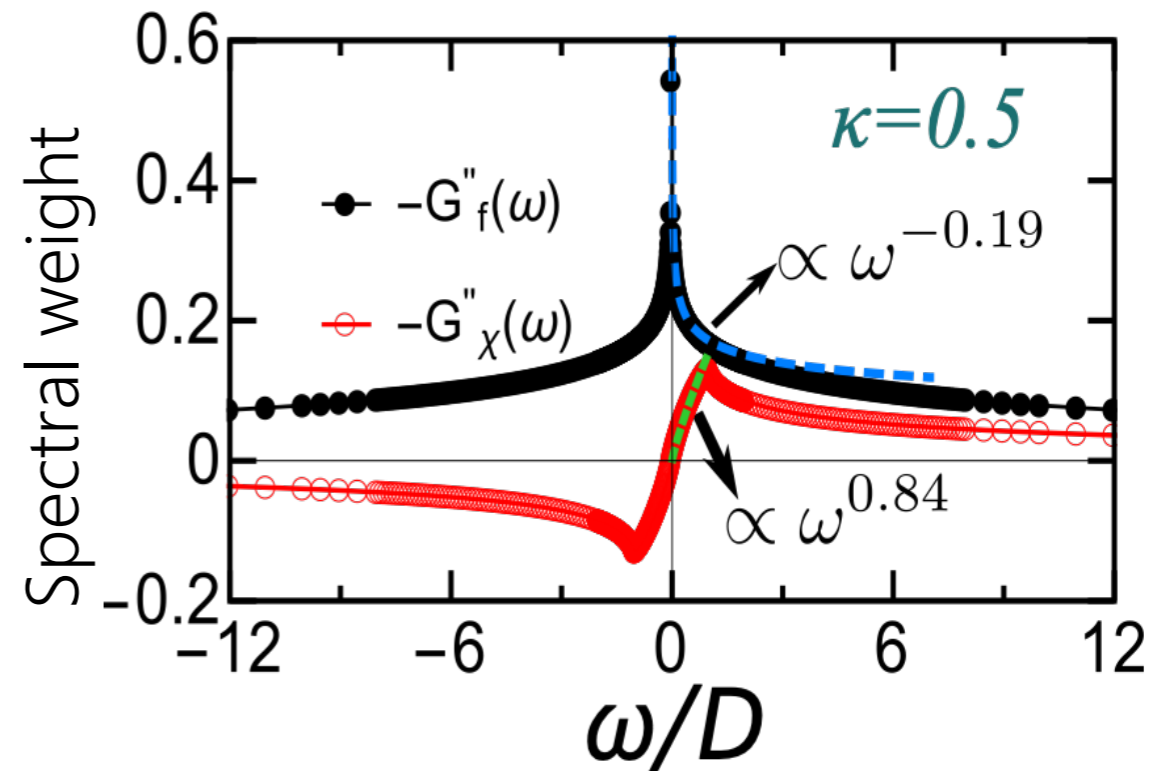
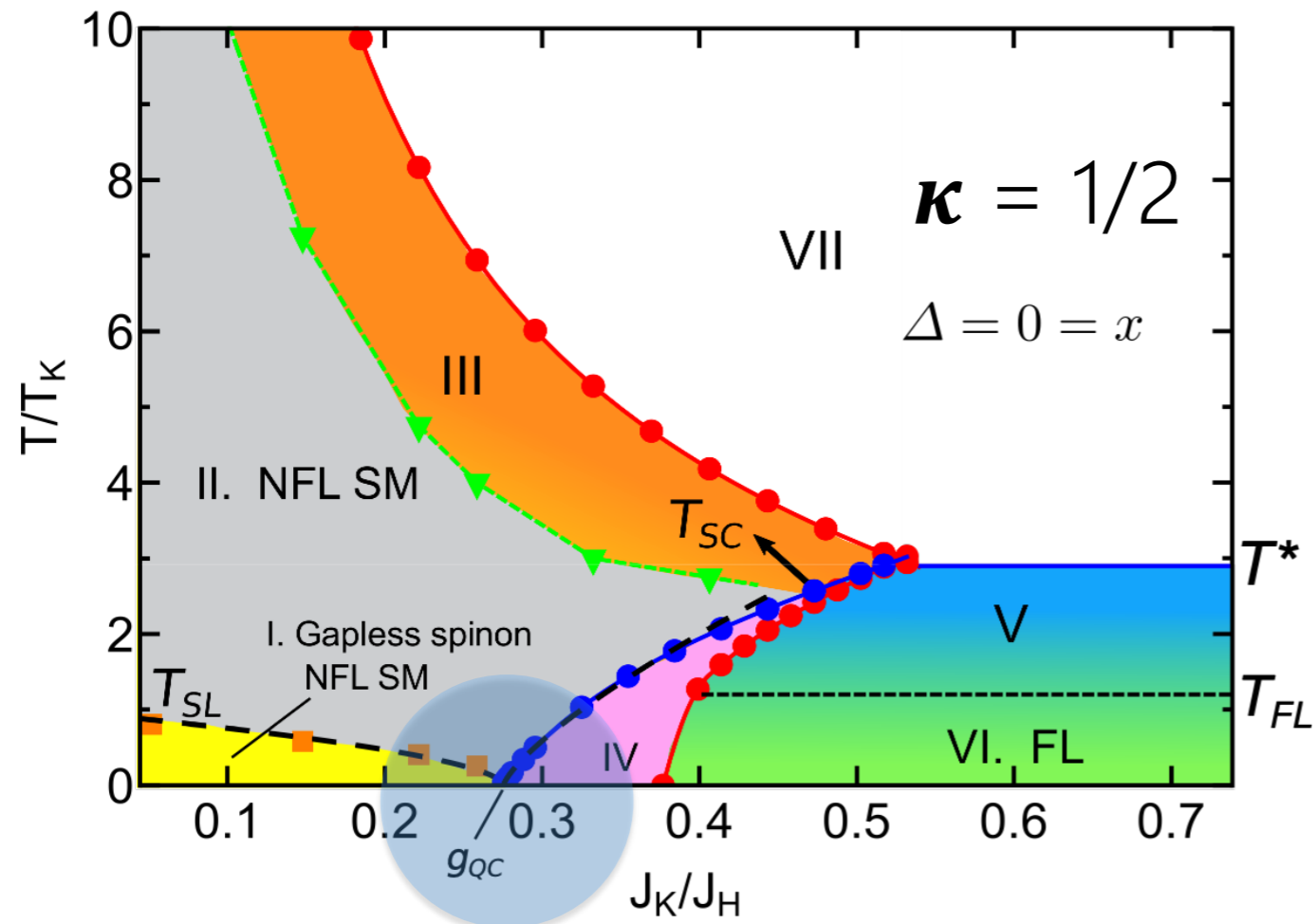


$$\kappa = -\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\omega} n_F(\omega) G_f''(\omega),$$

$$\frac{1}{J_H} = \frac{1}{2\pi^2 \Delta^2} \int_{\omega} n_F(\omega) E_K'' \left[\frac{-16\Delta^2}{\gamma(\omega)\gamma(-\omega)} \right],$$

$$\frac{1}{J_K} = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{\omega} n_F(\omega) \text{Im} [G_f(\omega) G_{c0}(\omega)]$$

Quantum phase transition & critical spin liquid strange metal phase for $\kappa = 1/2$ ($S=1/2$ in $Sp(2)=SU(2)$ limit)

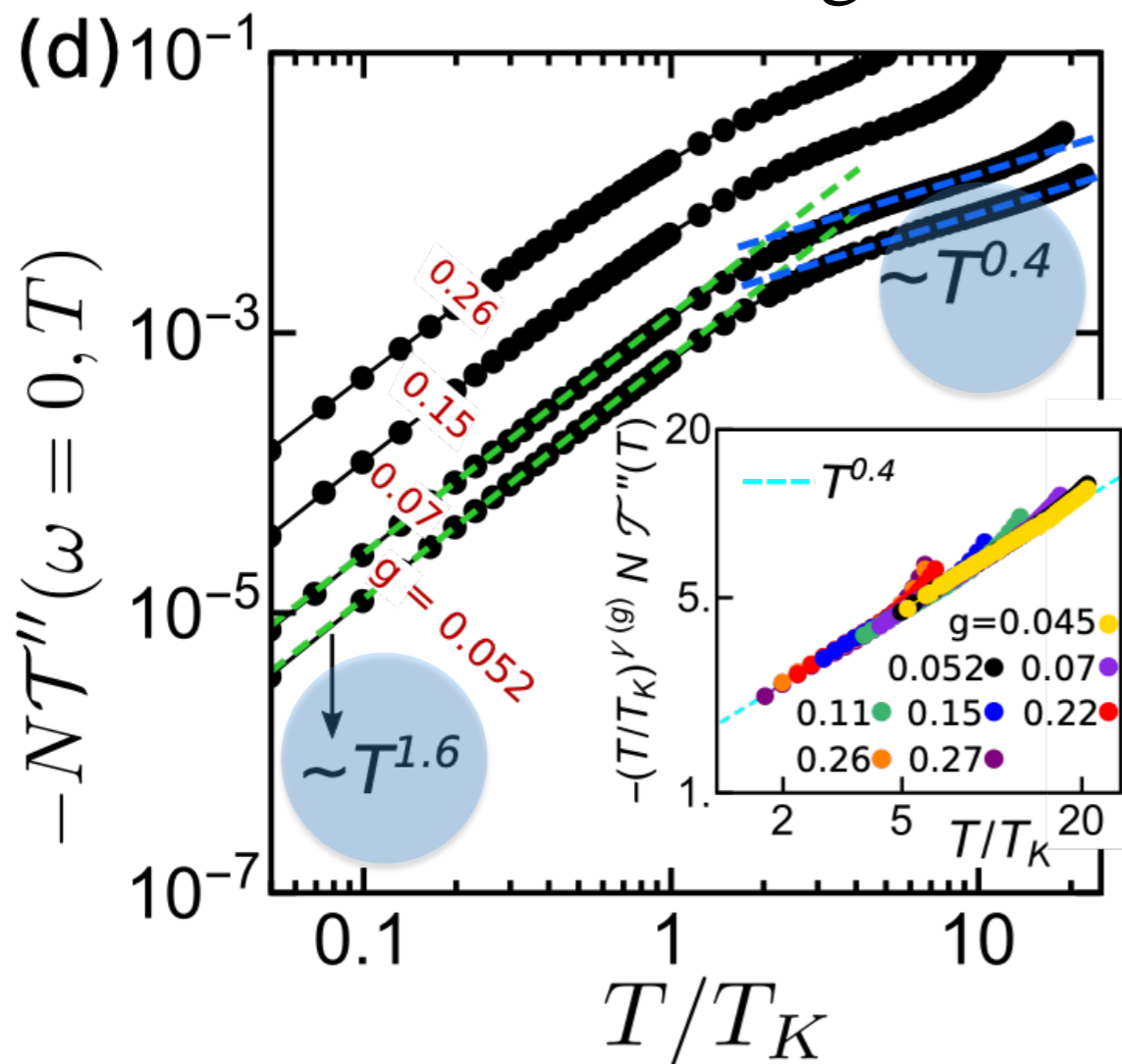


- Particle-hole symmetry for $\kappa = 1/2$.
- **Region I.: Quantum critical strange metal phase: Spinons and holons show critical (gapless) power-law spectral functions.**
- g_{QC} becomes a QCP (continuous transition):
- Region II. NFL SM becomes truly quantum critical region

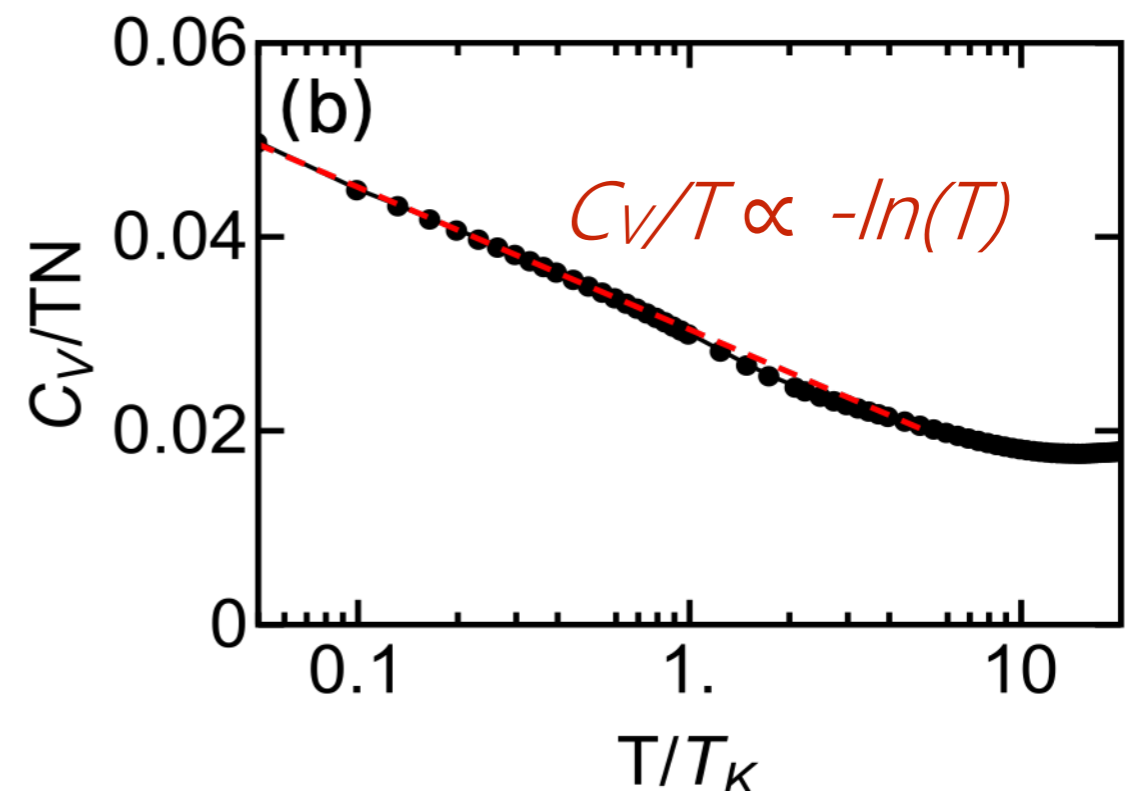
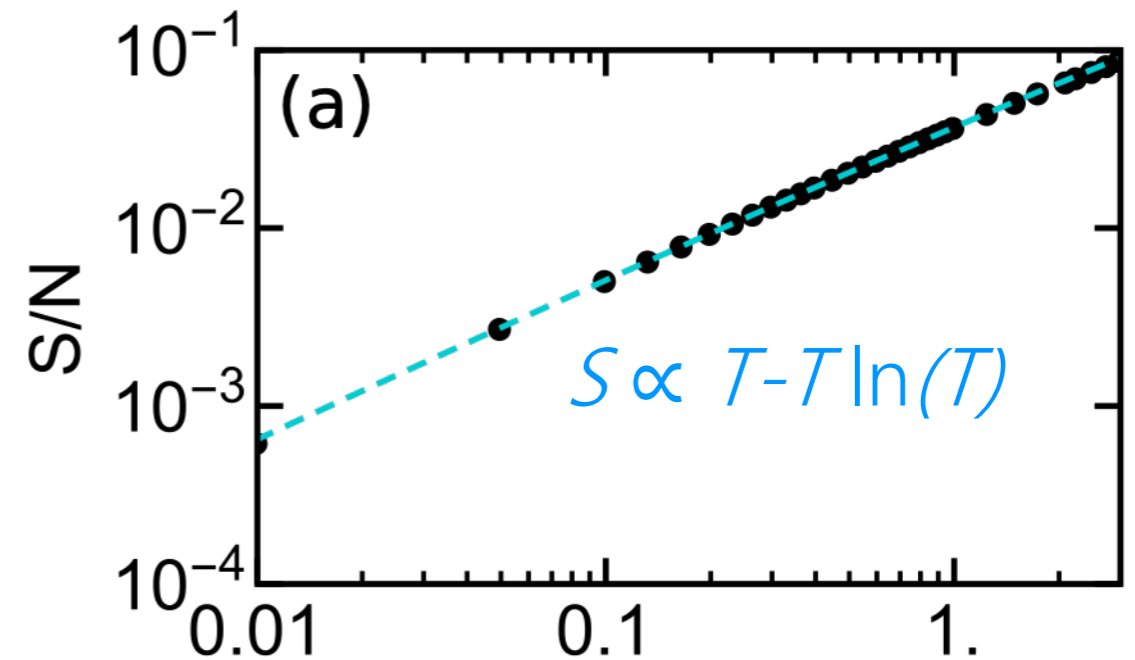
NFL properties of critical spin liquid

The critical spinon and holon give rise to NFL behavior in various observables

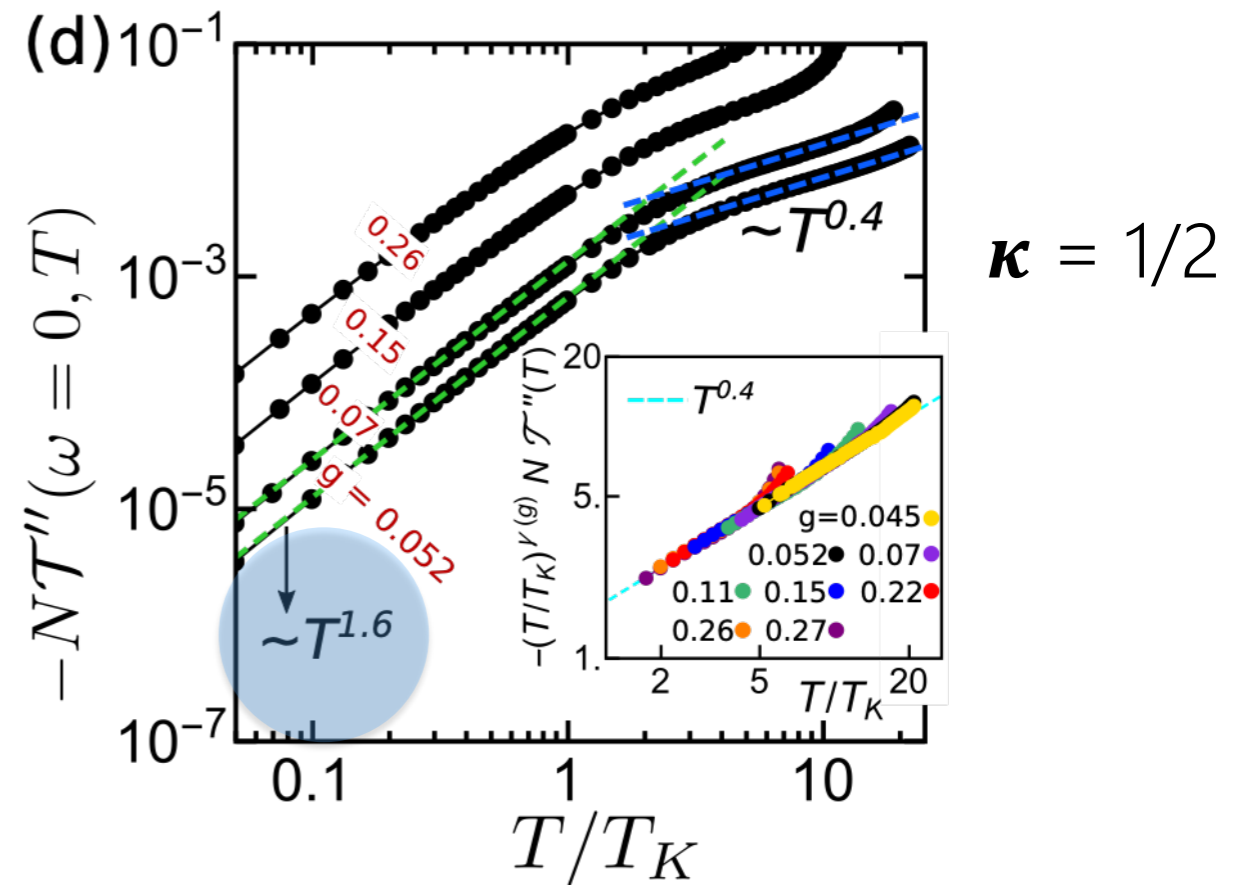
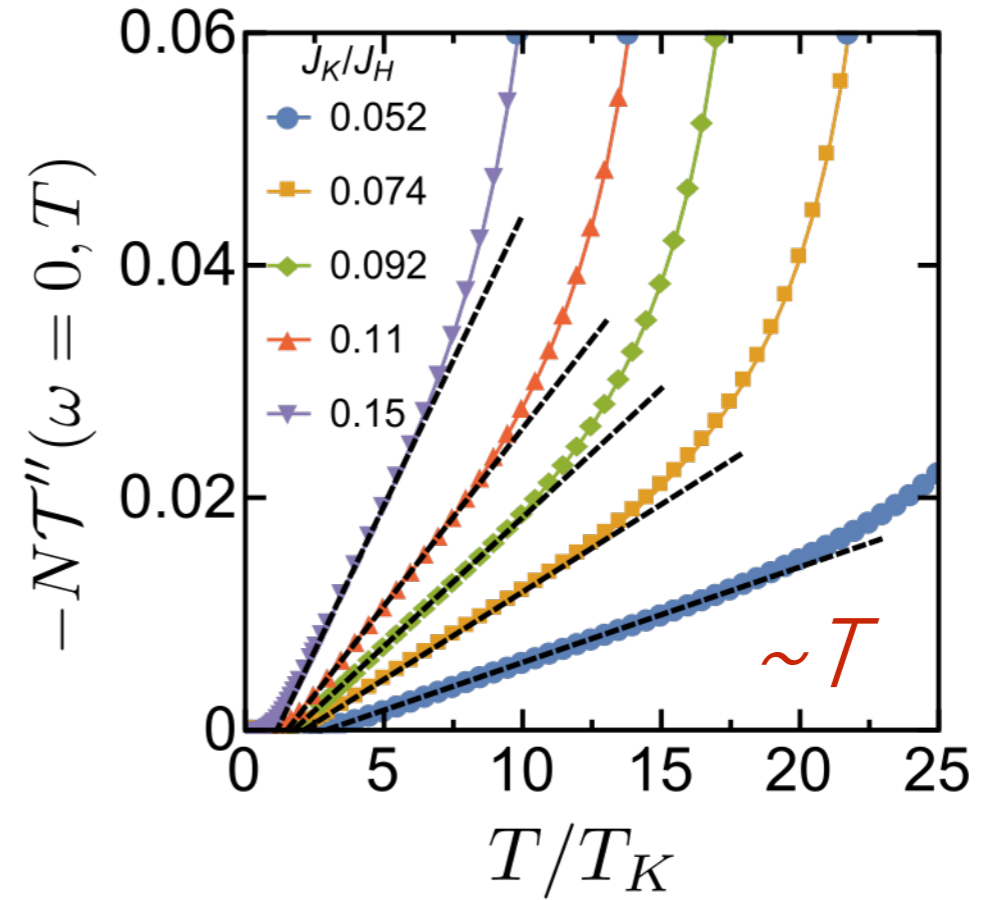
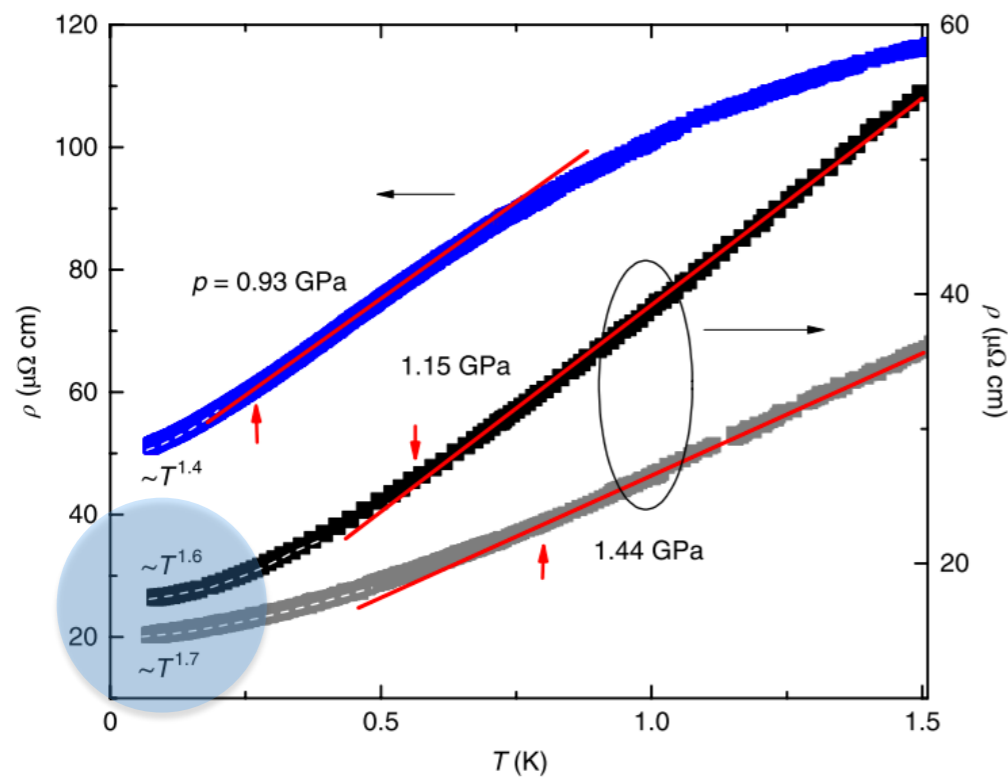
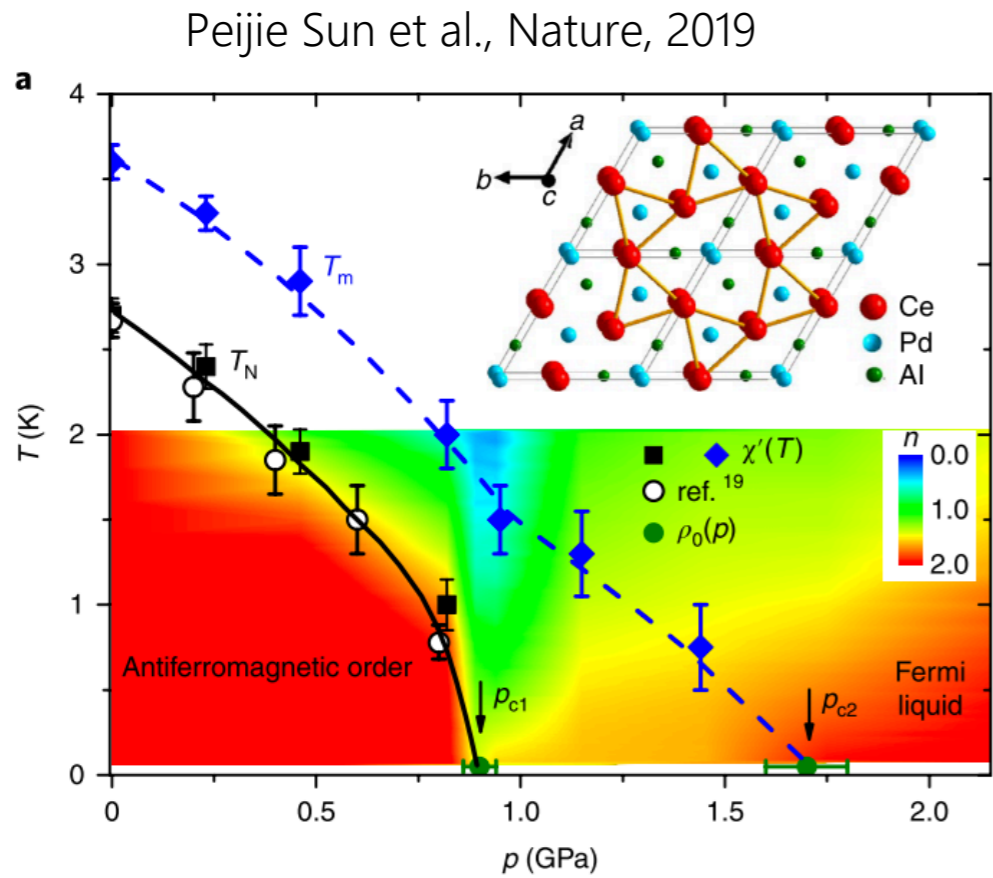
Power-law T -matrix & scaling



Entropy & specific heat coefficient



NFL SM resistivity



Summary

- Strange metal states are generic non-Fermi liquid properties in correlated electron systems near quantum phase transitions
- Kondo in competition with RVB spin-liquid provides an excellent description on the mechanism of strange metal behaviors observed in quasi-2D heavy-fermion metals and superconductors
- Critical Kondo (bosonic charge) fluctuations lead to T-linear resistivity
- Critical bosonic RVB spin-liquid fluctuations (made of fermionic spinons) lead to T-logarithmic singularity in specific heat coefficient

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Phenomenological Theory by Landau

energy functional:

$$E = E_0 + \sum_{\vec{k}, \sigma} \epsilon_{\sigma}(\vec{k}) \delta n_{\sigma}(\vec{k}) + \frac{1}{2\Omega} \sum_{\vec{k}, \vec{k}'} \sum_{\sigma, \sigma'} f_{\sigma\sigma'}(\vec{k}, \vec{k}') \delta n_{\sigma}(\vec{k}) \delta n_{\sigma'}(\vec{k}')$$

deviation from ground state

$$\delta n_{\sigma}(\vec{k}) = n_{\sigma}(\vec{k}) - n_{\sigma}^{(0)}(\vec{k})$$

spin index $\sigma = \pm 1$

ground state distribution

$$n_{\sigma}^{(0)}(\vec{k}) = \Theta(k_F - |\vec{k}|)$$

filled Fermi sea

effective quasiparticle spectrum:

$$\tilde{\epsilon}_{\sigma}(\vec{k}) = \frac{\delta E}{\delta n_{\sigma}(\vec{k})} = \epsilon_{\sigma}(\vec{k}) + \frac{1}{\Omega} \sum_{\vec{k}', \sigma'} f_{\sigma\sigma'}(\vec{k}, \vec{k}') \delta n_{\sigma'}(\vec{k}')$$

bare quasiparticle spectrum:

$$\epsilon_{\sigma}(\vec{k}) = \frac{\hbar^2 \vec{k}^2}{2m^*}$$

effective mass

Fermi velocity:

$$\frac{1}{\hbar} \vec{\nabla}_{\vec{k}} \epsilon_{\sigma}(\vec{k}) \Big|_{k_F} = \vec{v}_F = \frac{\hbar \vec{k}_F}{m^*}$$

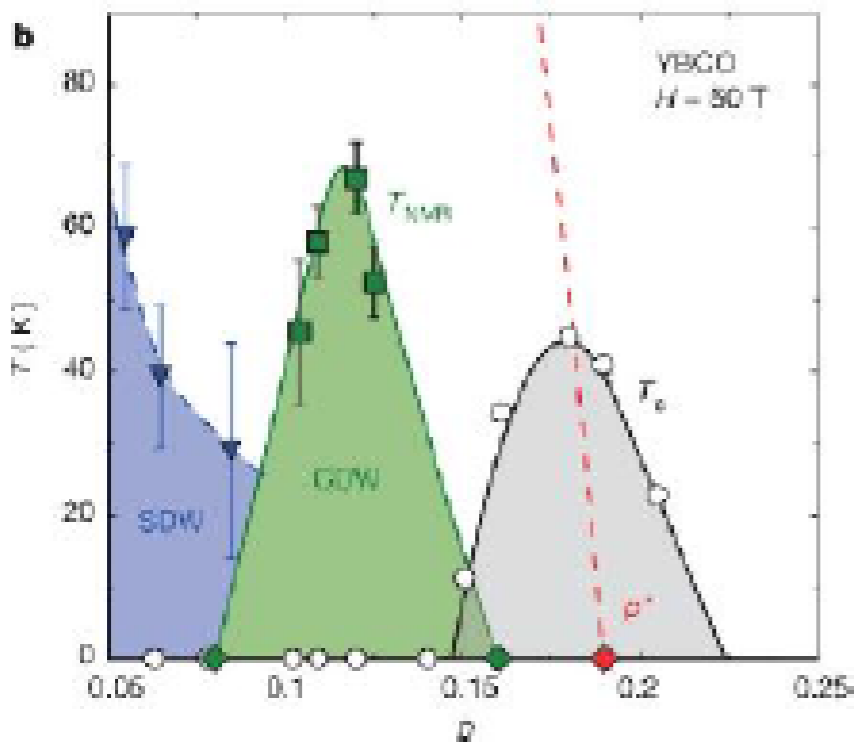
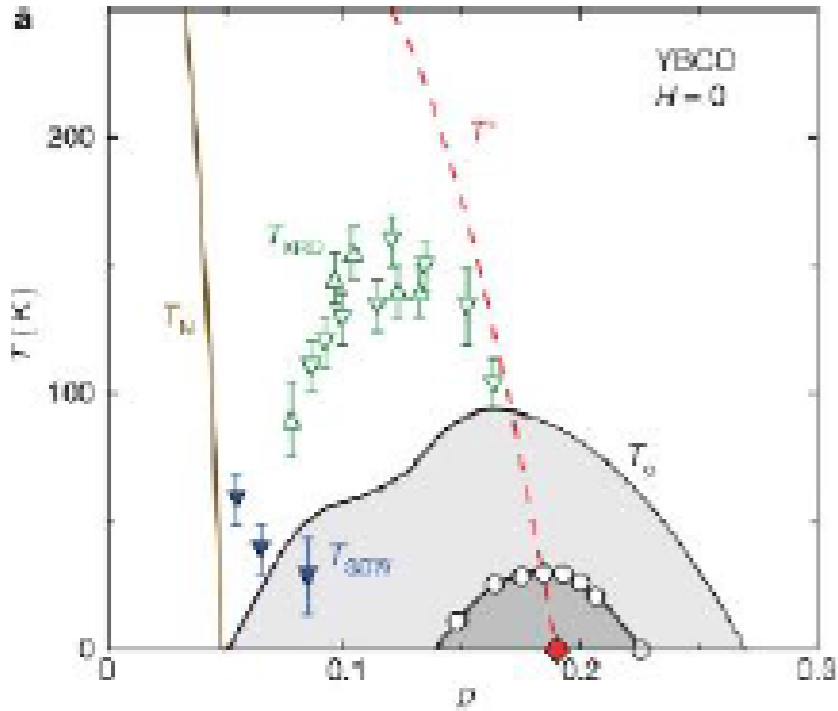
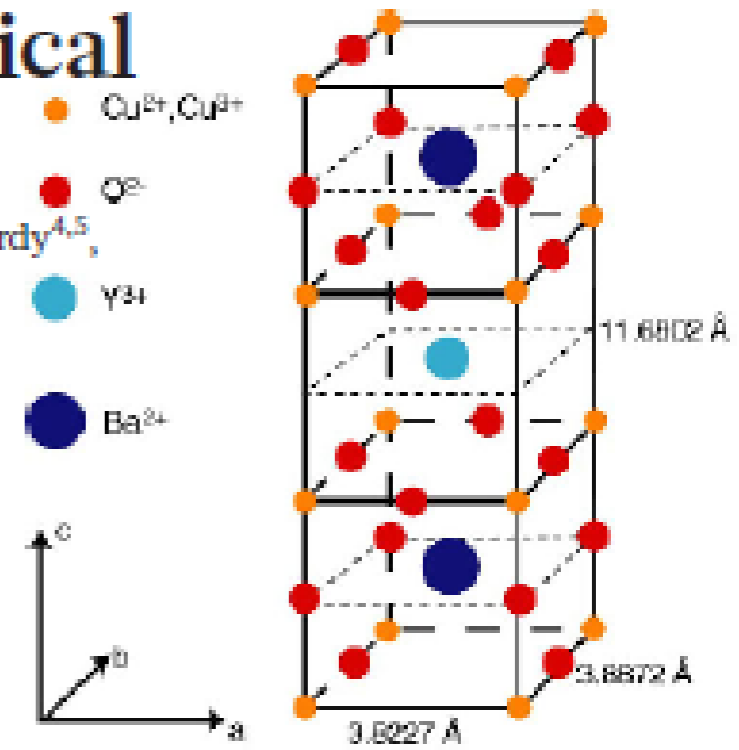
density of states at ϵ_F :

$$N(\epsilon_F) = \frac{1}{\Omega} \sum_{\vec{k}, \sigma} \delta(\epsilon_{\sigma}(\vec{k}) - \epsilon_F) = \frac{k_F^2}{\pi^2 \hbar v_F} = \frac{m^* k_F}{\pi^2 \hbar^2}$$

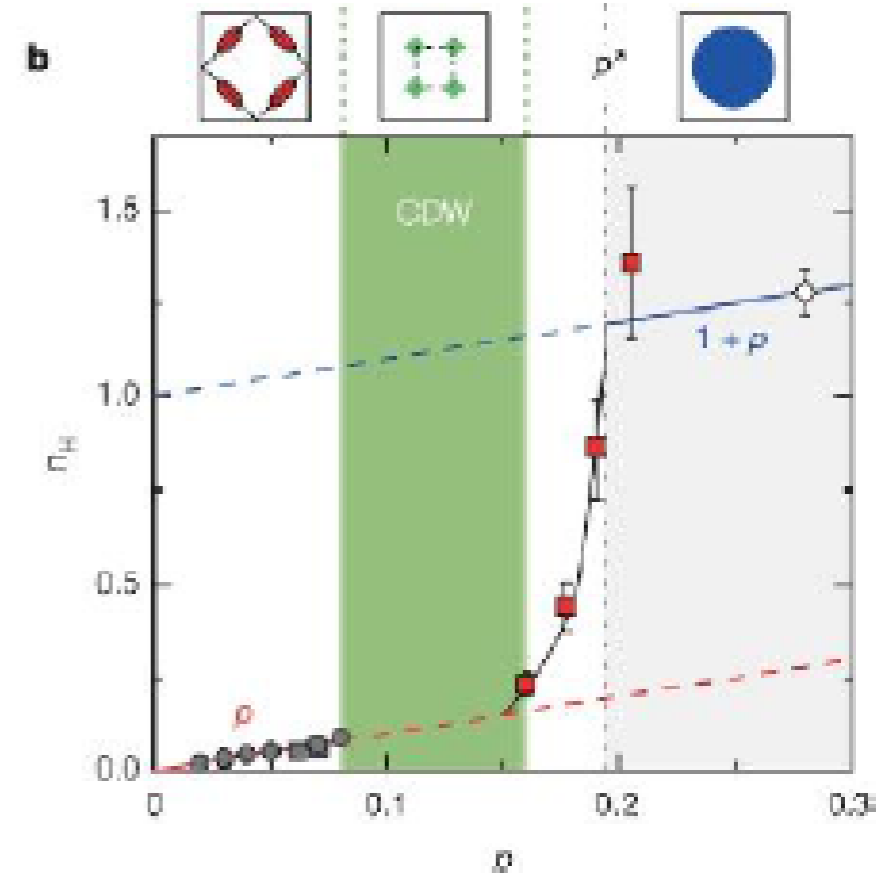
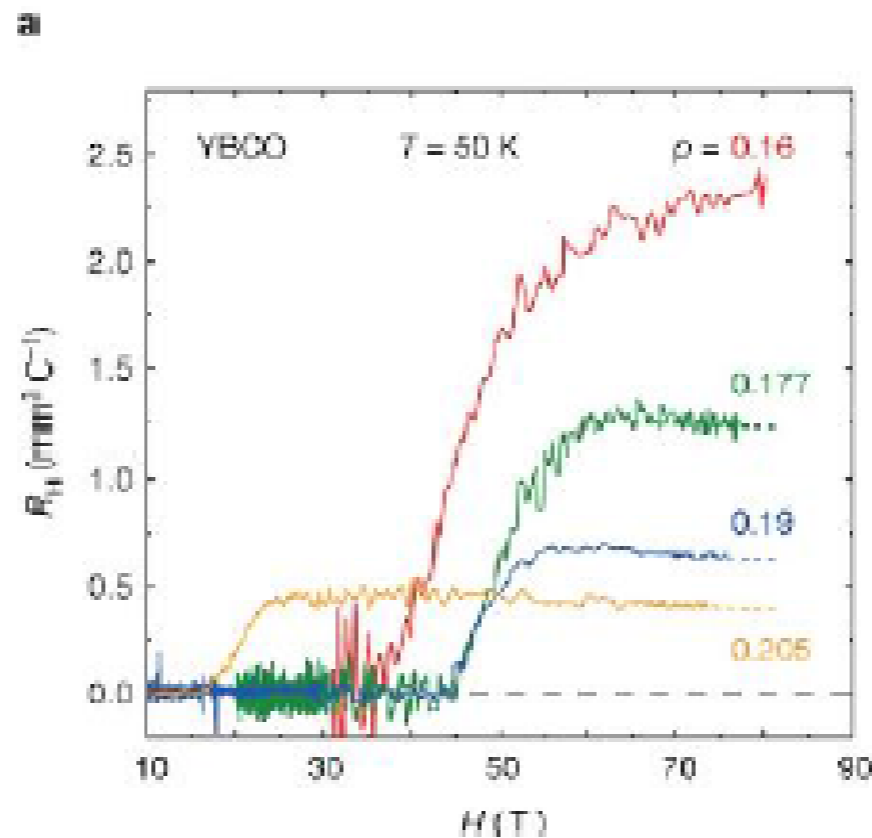
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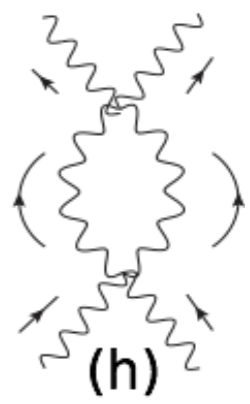
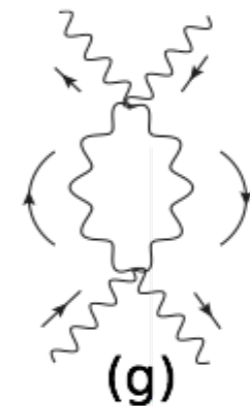
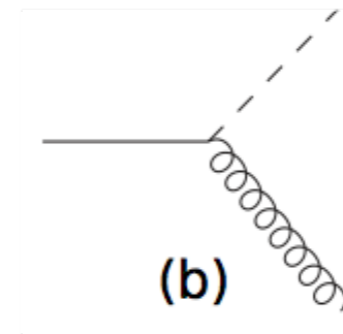
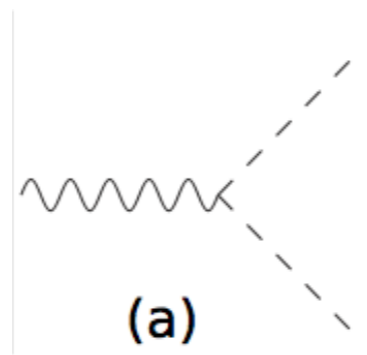
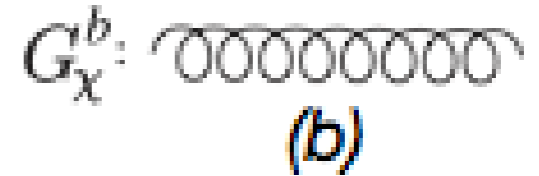
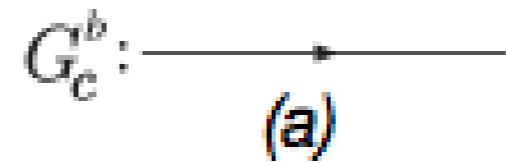
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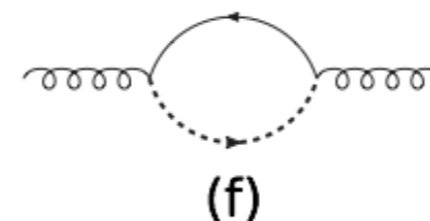
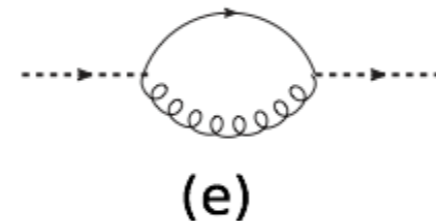
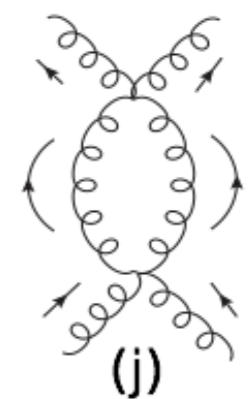
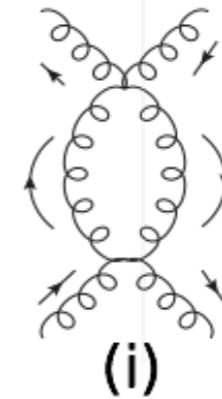
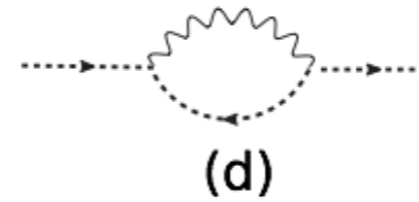
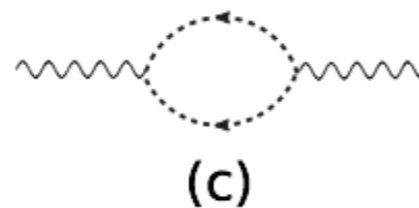
Perturbative renormalization group (RG)

Wave-function + coupling constant renormalizations

 Bare Green functions



Feynman diagrams  (one-loop)



RG equations and RG flows

quasi-2d: $d=z+\eta$, $z=2$, $0<\eta\ll 1$

Near P, relative to $J_\chi = J_\chi^*$ fixed :

$$\frac{d\tilde{j}_\chi}{dl} = - \left(\frac{\eta}{2} + \frac{d}{4} - 2(j_\Phi^*)^2 \right) \tilde{j}_\chi + \frac{1}{2}\tilde{j}_\chi^3$$

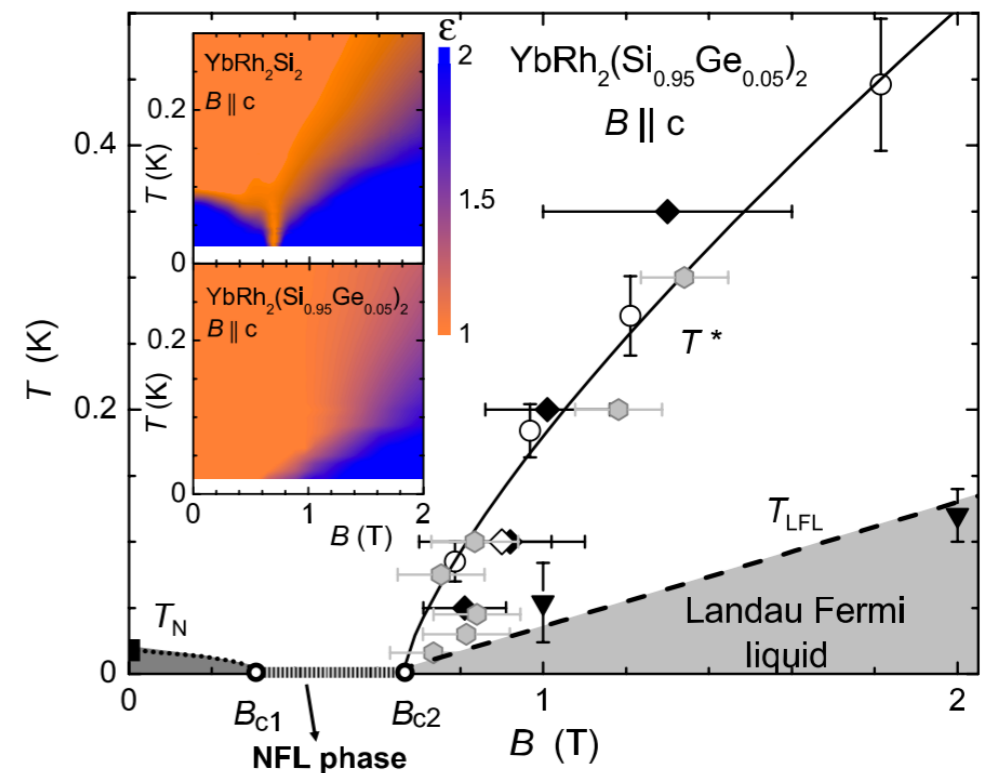
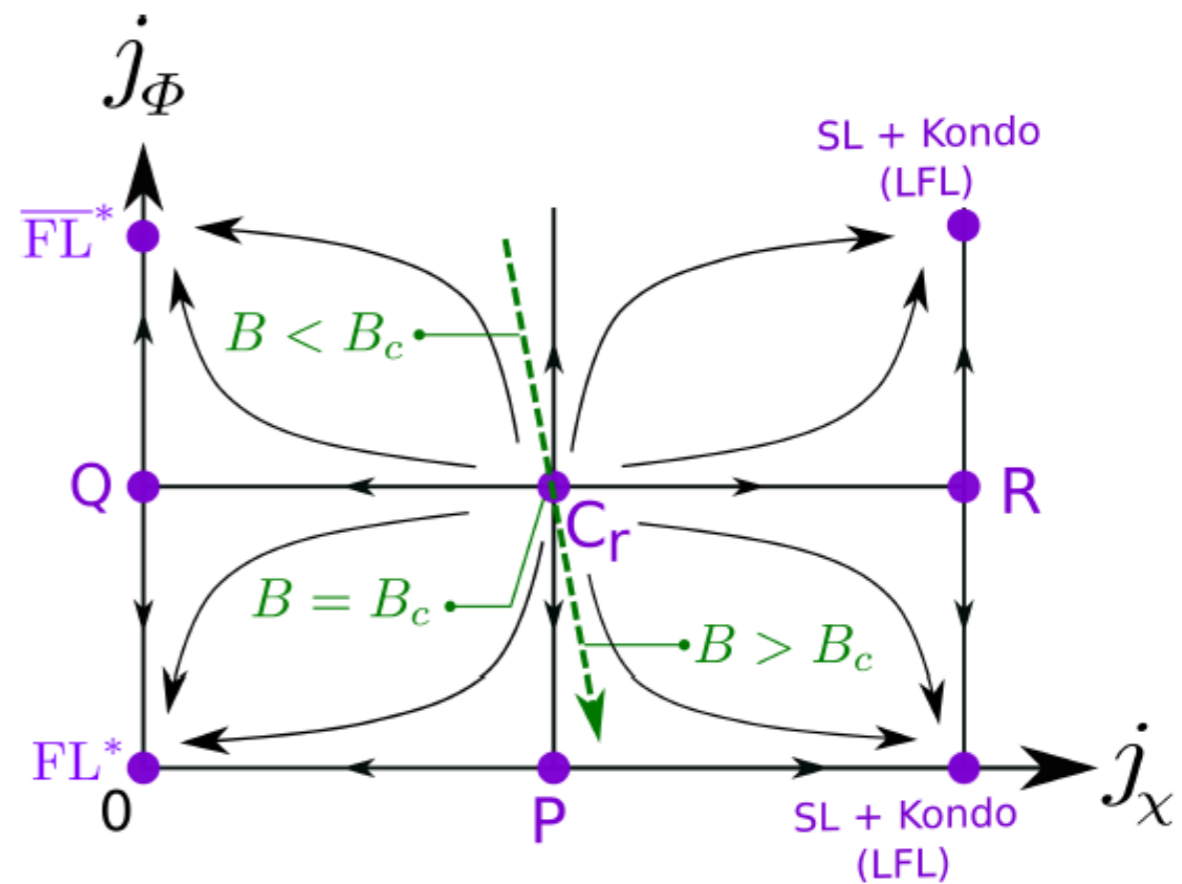
Near Q, relative to $J_\Phi = J_\Phi^*$ fixed :

$$\frac{d\tilde{j}_\Phi}{dl} = \left(-\frac{d}{2} + \frac{\eta}{2} \right) \tilde{j}_\Phi + 4\tilde{j}_\Phi^3$$

Correlation length ξ : $\xi \sim |g - g_c|^{-\nu}$

Crossover scale T_{LFL} : $T_{LFL} \sim |g - g_c|^{z\nu}$

RG relative to fixed $J_\chi \Rightarrow \nu = 1/z$



Specific heat coefficient $\gamma \left(\frac{T}{T_{LFL}} \right)$

The Gaussian fluctuation of RVB singlets dominate the specific heat.

rescaling of T
(Hertz-Millis theory)

$$T_l = T_{l=0} e^{zl}$$

Millis, PRB, 1993

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{E} &= \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \frac{\epsilon_{\Phi}(\mathbf{k})}{e^{\beta\epsilon_{\Phi}(\mathbf{k})} - 1} \\ &= \int_{m_{\Phi}}^{\Lambda} d^d \mathbf{k} \frac{\epsilon_{\Phi}(\mathbf{k})}{e^{\beta\epsilon_{\Phi}(\mathbf{k})} - 1} \\ &= W(J_{\Phi}) \int_{m_{\Phi}}^{\Lambda} d\epsilon_{\Phi} \frac{\epsilon_{\Phi}^{1+\eta/2}}{e^{\beta\epsilon_{\Phi}} - 1}, \end{aligned}$$

m_{Φ} is strongly relevant, $m_{\Phi} \sim O(1)$. $e^l \sim \xi \rightarrow T_l = T_{l=0} / T_{LFL}$

$$\begin{aligned} C_V &\equiv \frac{\partial \bar{E}}{\partial T_l} = W(J_{\Phi}) \int d\epsilon_{\Phi} \frac{\beta^2 \epsilon_{\Phi}^{2+\eta/2} e^{\beta\epsilon_{\Phi}}}{(e^{\beta\epsilon_{\Phi}} - 1)^2} \\ &= \frac{W(J_{\Phi})}{4} \left(\frac{T}{T_{LFL}} \right)^{1+\eta/2} \int_{T_{LFL}/T}^{T_{LFL}\Lambda/T} dx \frac{x^{2+\eta/2}}{\sinh^2(x/2)} \end{aligned}$$

Anomalous Scaling in Free Energy and Hyperscaling Violation.

The Gaussian fluctuation of RVB singlets dominate the Gaussian Free energy (**spin**)

$$F = -T W_{\Phi} \int_0^{\Lambda} \epsilon^{\eta/2} d\epsilon \left[\ln \left(1 - e^{-\beta(\epsilon+m_{\Phi})} \right) \right]$$

upon rescaling $k \rightarrow k/b$ and $T \rightarrow T b^z$ ($b \equiv e^l$)

$$F(r, T) = r^{\nu(d+z)-\nu\Delta} F_r(1, T/r^{\nu z}) \quad b \sim \xi \sim r^{-\nu}$$

$$r \equiv (J_{\Phi} - J_{\Phi}^*)/J_{\Phi}^*$$

anomalous scaling dimension $\Delta = 4\eta + 2\eta^2$

$$W_{\Phi}(j_{\chi}(b), j_{\Phi}(b), \lambda(b)) = b^{\Delta} W_{\Phi}(J_{\chi}, J_{\Phi}, \lambda)$$

hyperscaling violation due to boson-fermion coupling:

$$\gamma \equiv C_V/T$$

$$\gamma \propto r^{-\bar{\alpha}}, \quad \bar{\alpha} = \nu(z - d + \Delta)$$

Conventional Hyperscaling

$$\bar{\alpha} = \nu(z - d)$$

Specific heat coefficient $\gamma \left(\frac{T}{T_{LFL}} \right)$

$$S_G = \int dk \left[\hat{\Phi}_k^\dagger \left(-G_\Phi^b \right)^{-1} (\omega, \mathbf{k}) \hat{\Phi}_k \right]$$

$$\gamma(\bar{T}) = -\frac{r^{-\bar{\alpha}} \bar{T}^{\eta/2}}{4} \int_{1/\bar{T}}^{\Lambda/\bar{T}} dx \frac{x^{2+\eta/2}}{\sinh^2(x/2)}$$

$$\bar{T} \equiv \frac{T}{T_{LFL}}$$

$$\bar{\alpha} = \eta^2 + 3\eta/2 \approx 0.32$$

fitting parameter: $\eta = 0.18$

Open issues

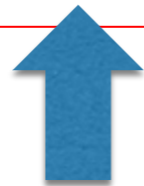
- **Microscopic mechanism of SM (NFL) properties**

Due to QCP? What are the competing states?

Nature of the transition?

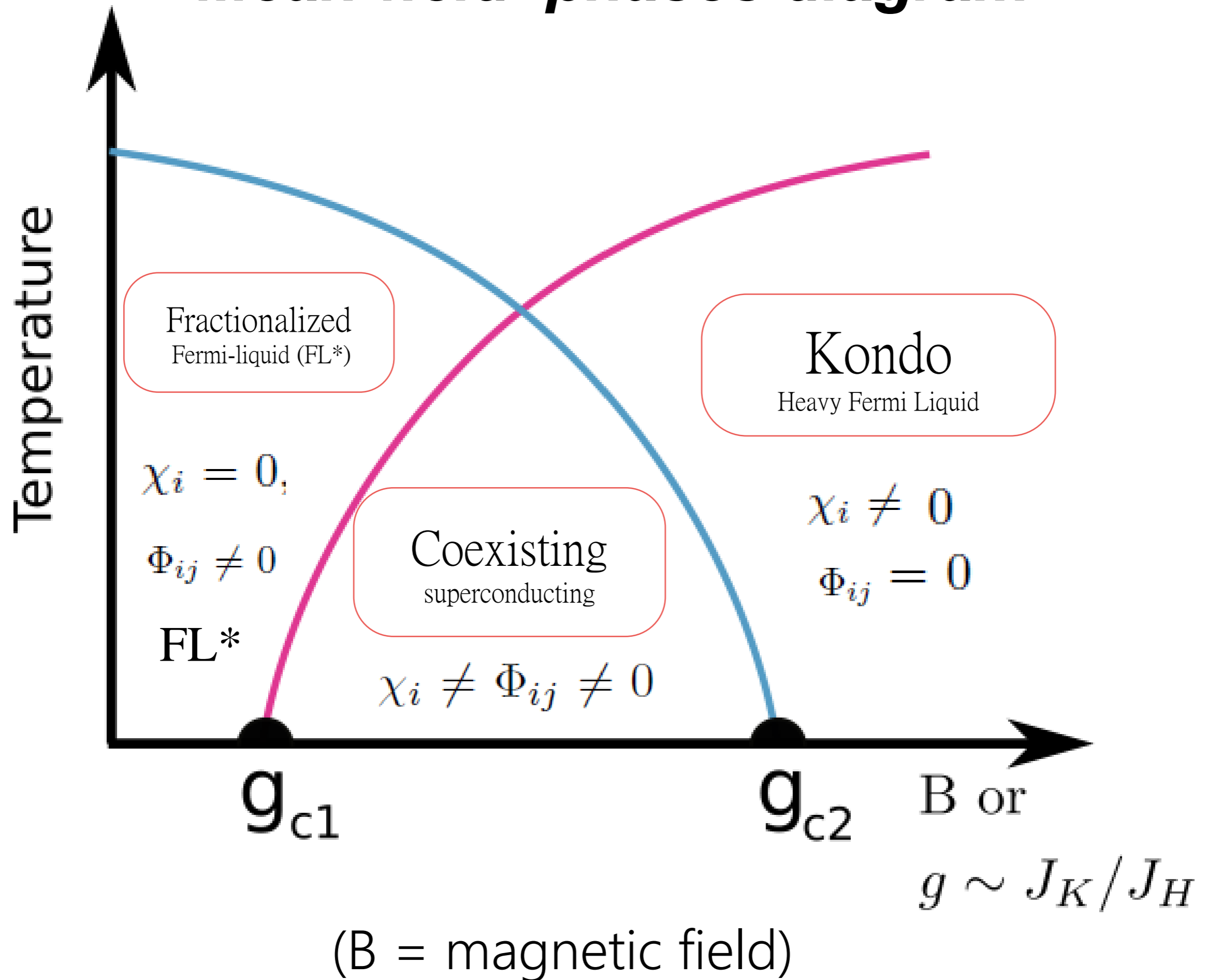
- **How to explain exotic scaling behaviors in SM state?**

$$\frac{C_V}{T} = \frac{1}{b^{1/3}} \Phi \left(\frac{T}{T_0(b)} \right)$$



- **Role of magnetic field?**

Mean-field phases diagram



Summary

- **SM in Ge-YRS can be explained by a quantum critical region due to a single QCP at g_c within Kondo breakdown scenario.**
- **The magnetic field mainly suppresses the RVB term, while the Kondo term stays nearly critical. YRS has spatial dimension $d = 2 + \eta$, $\eta \rightarrow 0$.**
- **Remarkable agreements between our theory and experiments on Ge-YRS.**

**The specific heat is dominated by the RVB (spinon) fluctuation
Kondo fluctuation contributes to the electrical (charge) transport.**

- **Hyperscaling violation
Anomalous exponent in specific heat coefficient is explained**
- **The dynamical ω/T scaling exists even for $d+z > 4$ due to the Kondo breakdown**

Intertwine between dynamics and thermodynamics

Sondhi et al, RMP 1997

Partition function (thermodynamics)

$$[x_i, p_j] = i\hbar \delta_{ij}$$

$$Z(\beta) = \sum_n \langle n | e^{-\beta H} | n \rangle,$$

$$\langle O \rangle = \frac{1}{Z(\beta)} \text{Tr} O e^{-\beta H}.$$

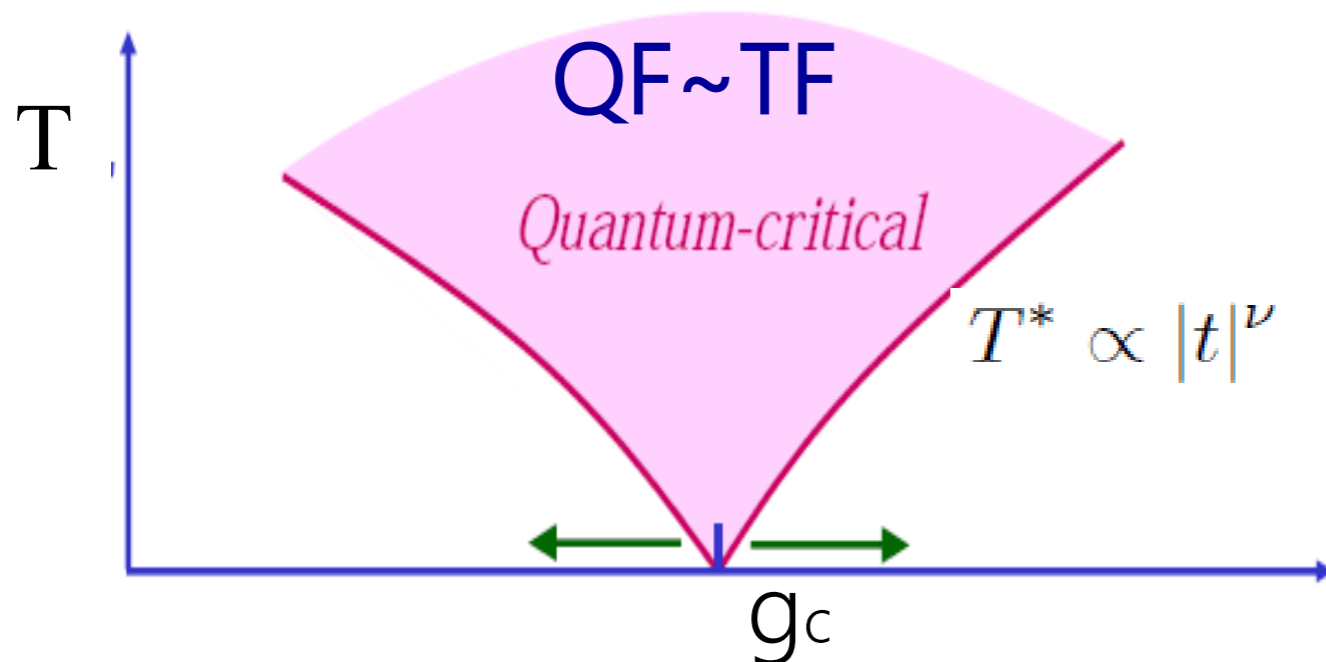
Imaginary-time Feynmann's path integral (dynamics)

$$Z(\beta) = \sum_n \sum_{m_1, m_2, \dots, m_N} \langle n | e^{-\frac{1}{\hbar} \delta\tau H} | m_1 \rangle \langle m_1 | e^{-\frac{1}{\hbar} \delta\tau H} | m_2 \rangle \langle m_2 | \dots | m_N \rangle \langle m_N | e^{-\frac{1}{\hbar} \delta\tau H} | n \rangle.$$

Imaginary-time $\mathcal{T} = -i\hbar\beta$

$$\langle S(0) S(r) \rangle \sim G(r) \sim \exp(-r / \xi)$$

Power-law divergent correlation lengths ξ



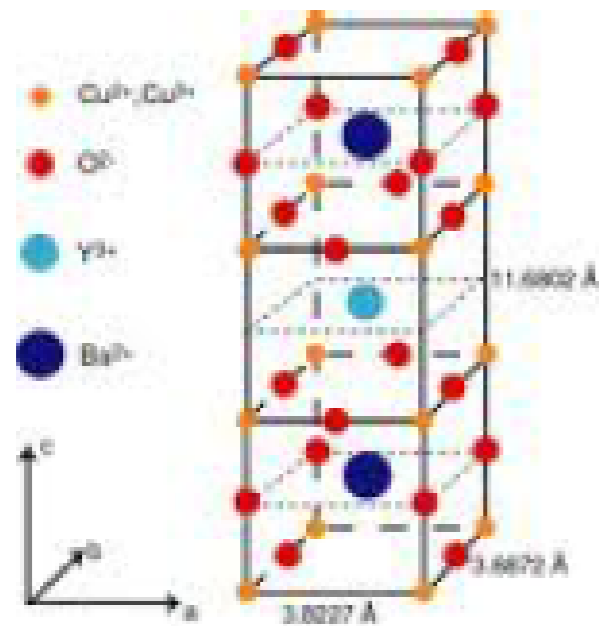
$$\xi \sim |\delta|^{-\nu} \longrightarrow \infty$$

$$\xi_\tau \sim \xi^z.$$

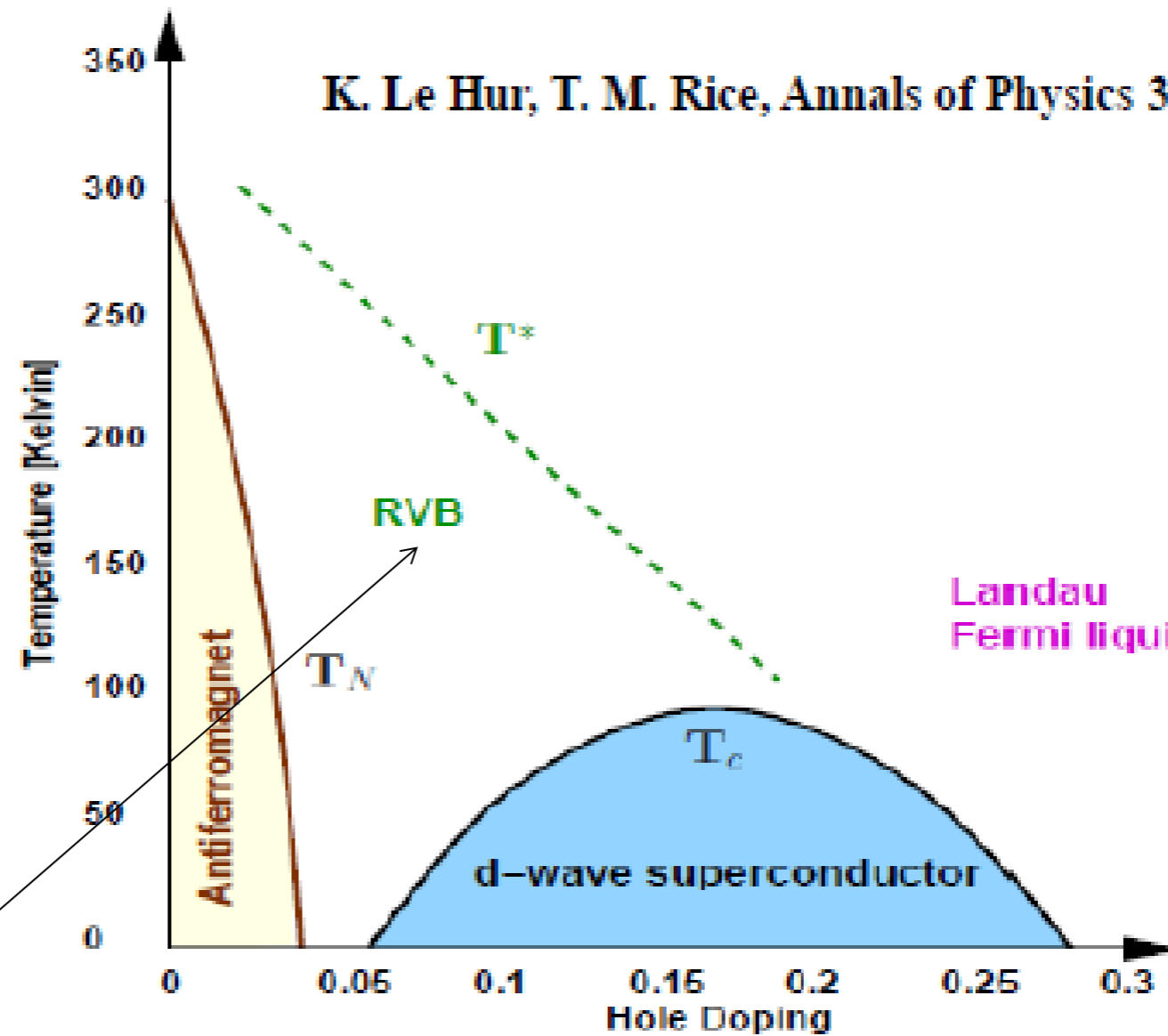
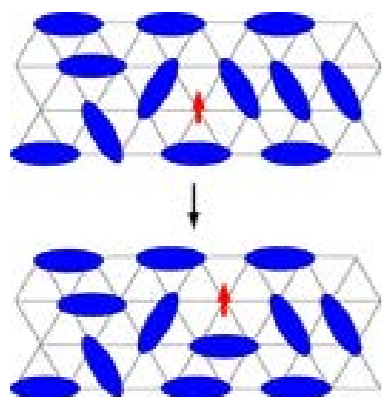
$$t = \delta \equiv g - g_c \longrightarrow 0$$

correlation length exponent ν .
dynamical scaling exponent, z .

Phase diagram of high- T_c superconductors



YBCO



K. Le Hur, T. M. Rice, *Annals of Physics* 324 (2009) 1452

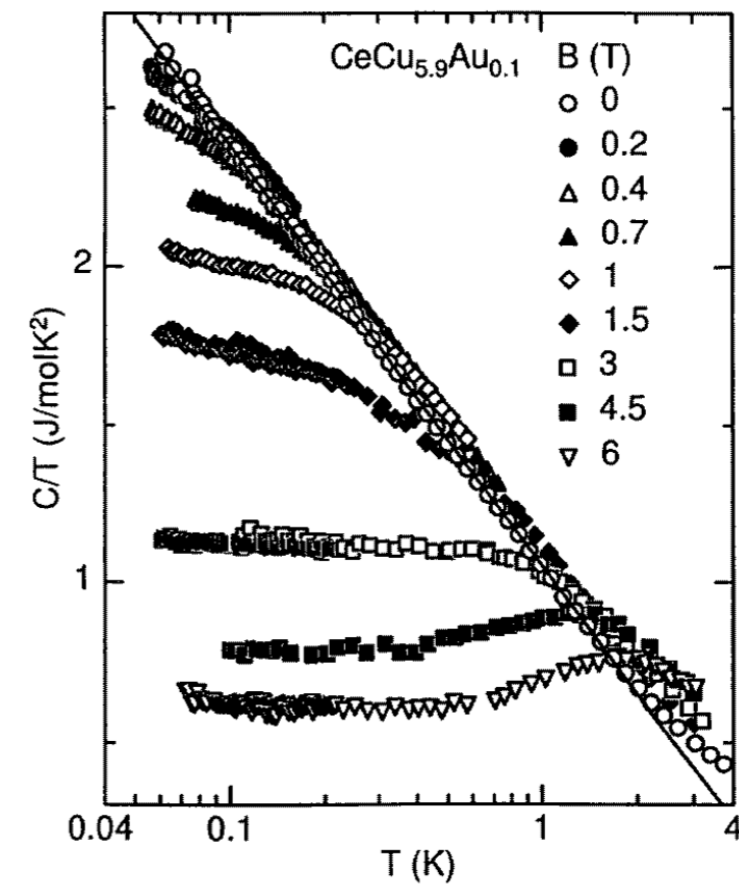
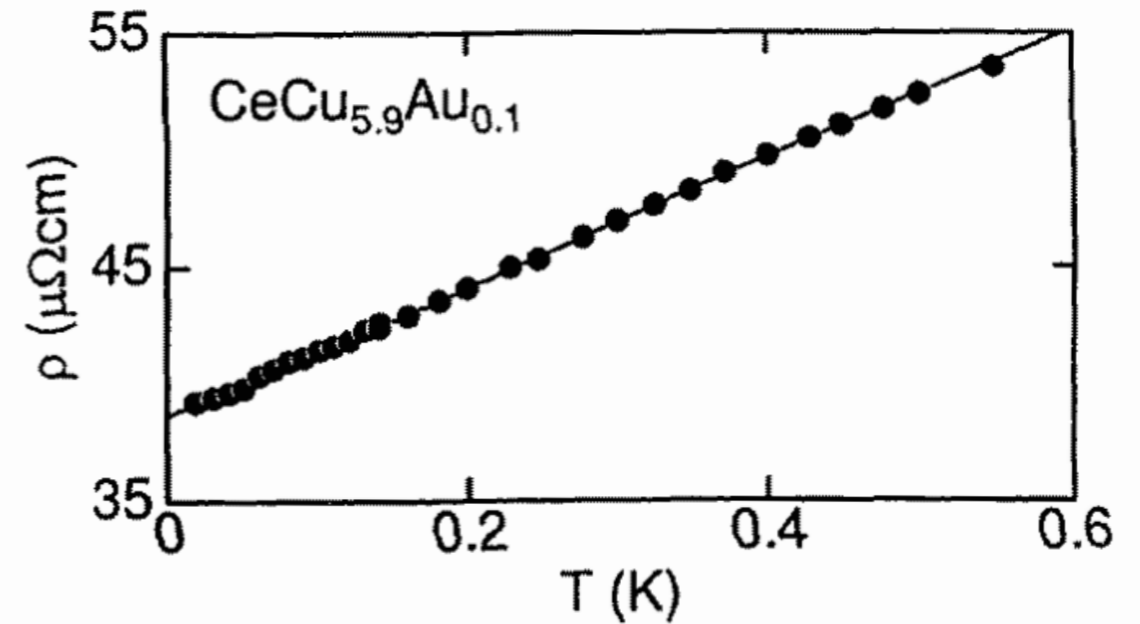
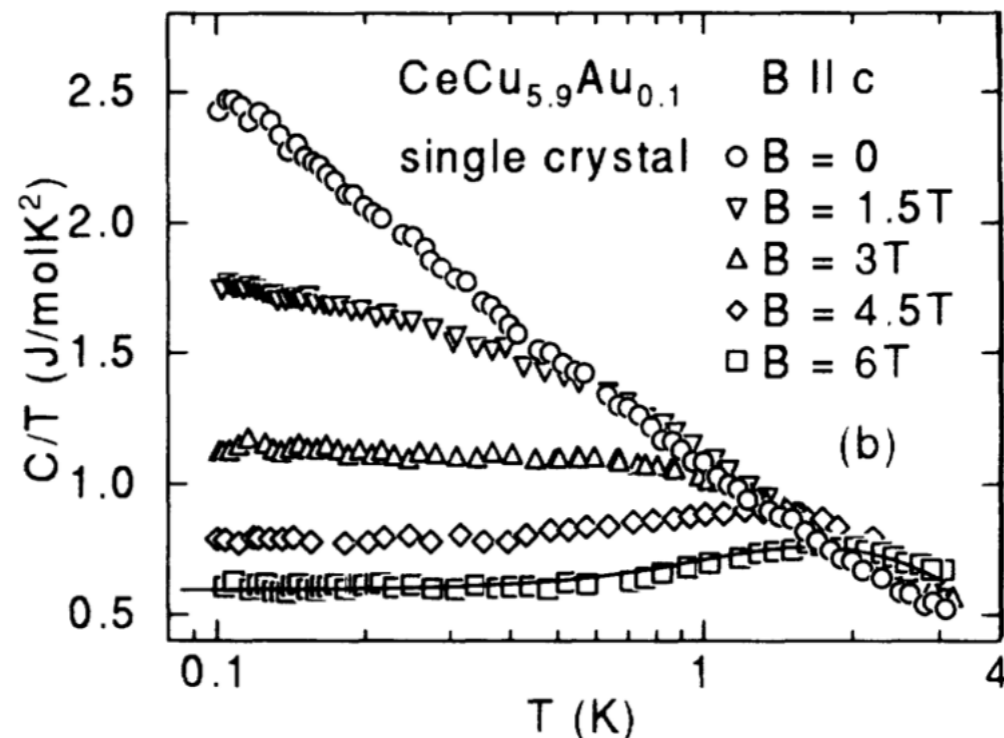
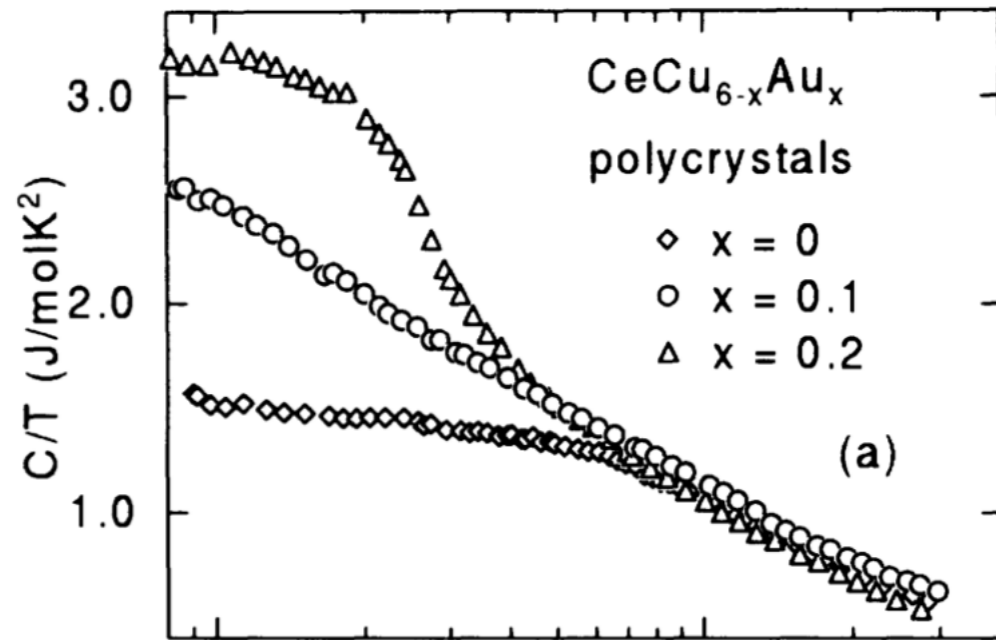
Fig. 1. Schematic phase diagram of high- T_c superconductors.

Highest T_c so far $\sim 133\text{K}$

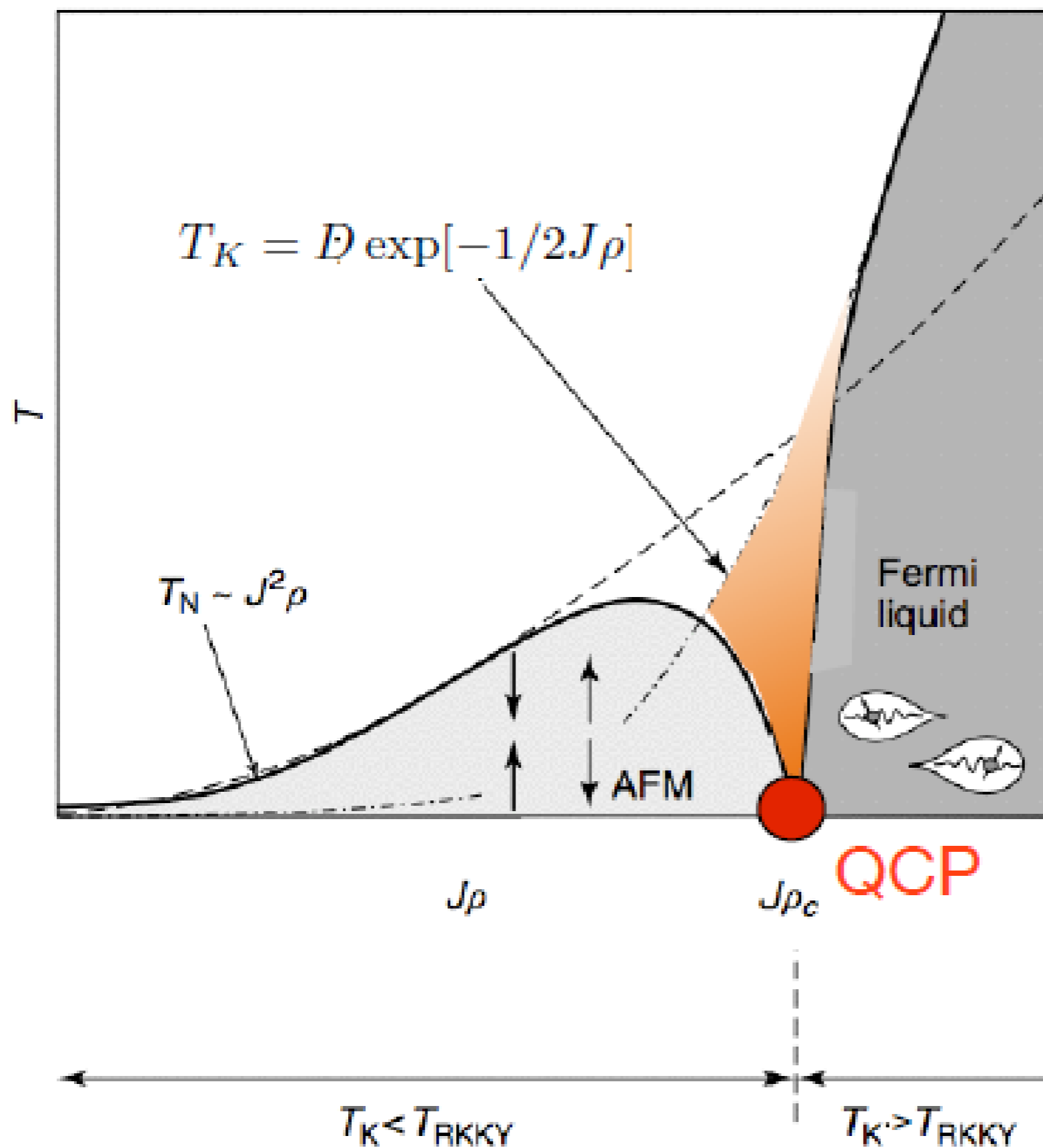
Even higher T_c ?

NFL SM behaviors in other heavy-fermion compounds

$CeCu_{6-x}Au_x$
QPT by doping



H. v. Löhneysen, PRL, 1994
H. v. Löhneysen, JPCM, 1996

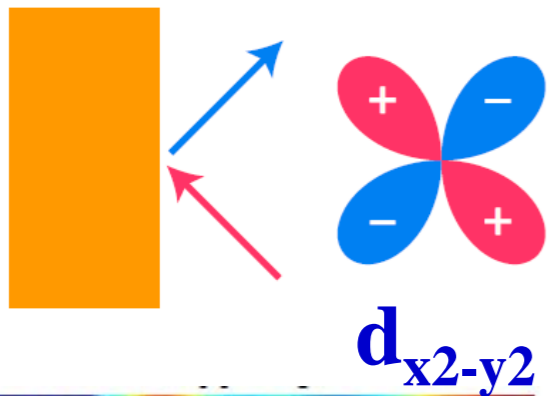


Strange Metal

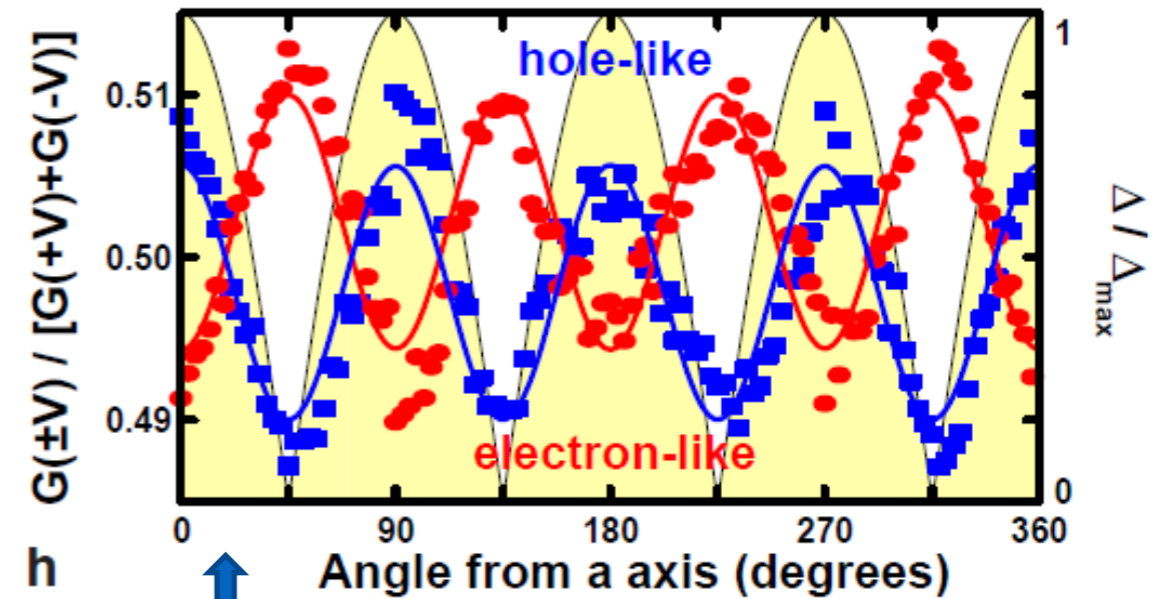
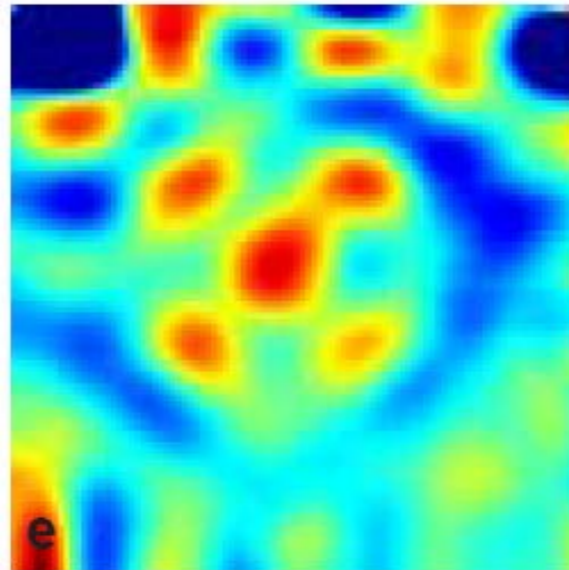
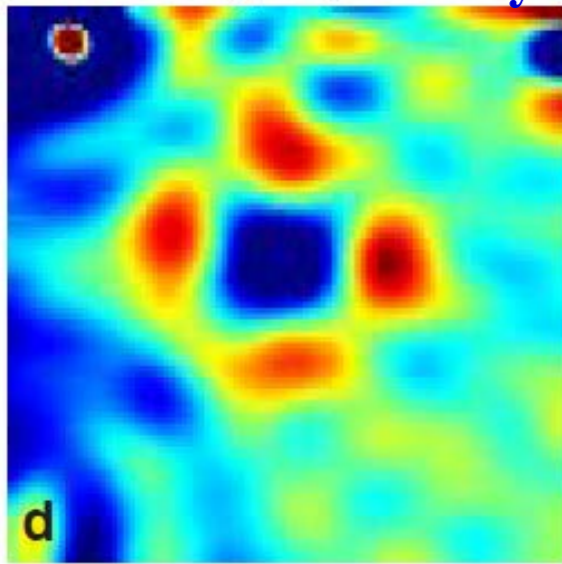
P. Coleman,
 Magnetism and Advanced Magnetic Materials,
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CeCoIn5:

d-wave nodal superconducting quasi-particle scattering

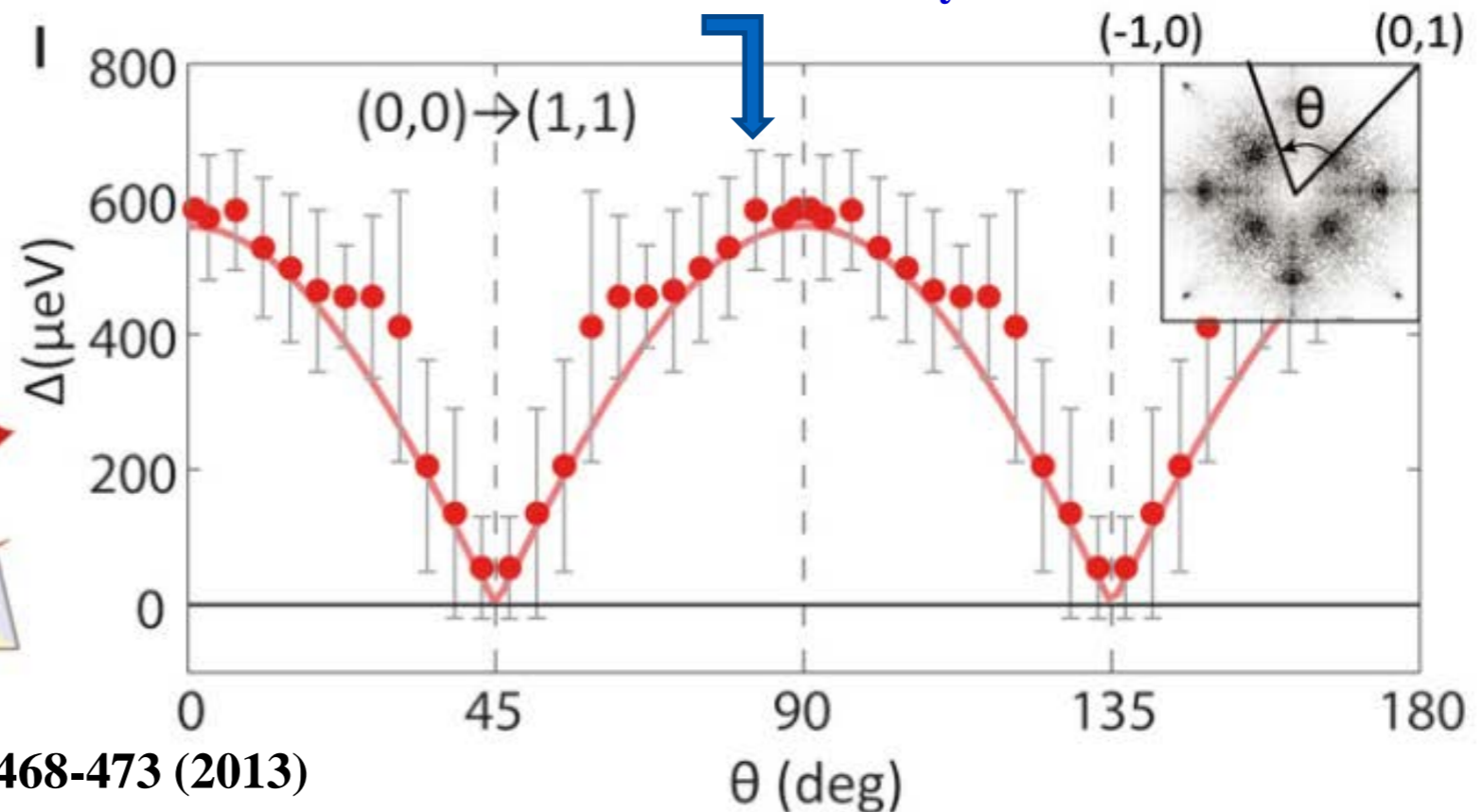
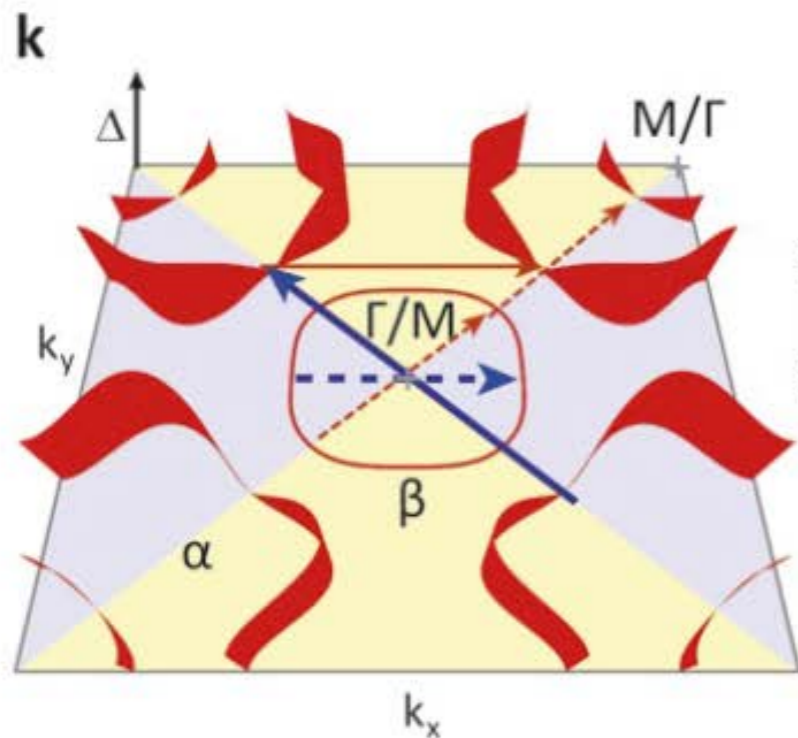


STM QPI V-shaped $\bar{N}(E) \propto E$ nodal gap



Ali Yazdani et al. *Nature Physics* 9, 474–479 (2013)

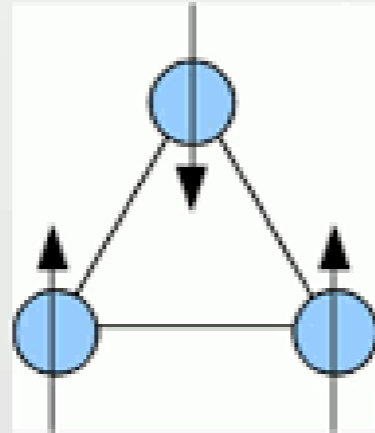
$d_{x^2-y^2}$ wave gap



J.C. Davis et al., *Nature Physics* 9, 468-473 (2013)

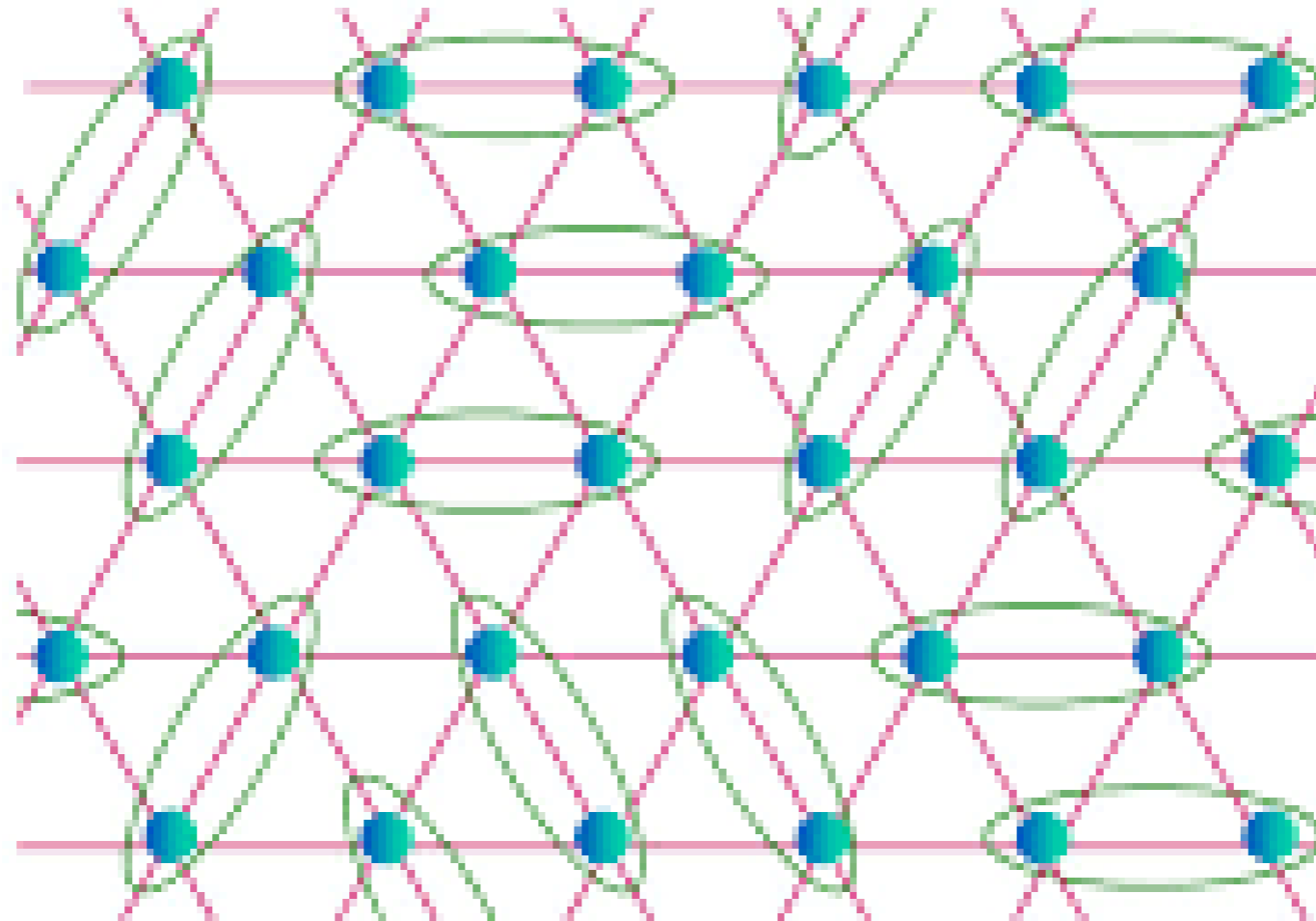
Anderson's RVB spin liquid

Quantum spin liquid



http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Triangular_hing_spin.png

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|↑↓\rangle - |↓↑\rangle)$$



$\frac{\omega}{T}$ -scaling

Vojta, RPP, 2003

$$\mathcal{O}(g = g_c, \mathbf{k} = 0, \omega, T) = T^{-d_{\mathcal{O}}/z} \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\omega}{T}\right)$$

usually exists at $d+z < 4$ G-L theory

The Green function

$$G_c(\mathbf{k}, \omega) = \frac{1}{\omega - \epsilon_c(\mathbf{k}) - \Sigma_c(\mathbf{k}, \omega)}$$

$$(\text{Im}\Sigma_c = \alpha T)$$

ω/T scaling:

$$\begin{aligned} G_c(k_F, \omega) &= \frac{1}{\omega - i \text{Im}\Sigma(k_F, \omega)} \\ &= \frac{1}{\omega - i \alpha T} \\ &= T^{-1} g\left(k_F, \frac{\omega}{T}\right) \end{aligned}$$

**Even for $d+z > 4$,
 ω/T still exists due to boson-fermion interactions.**