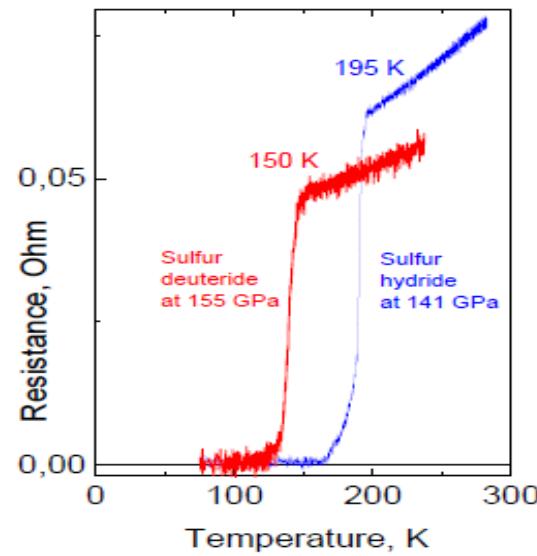
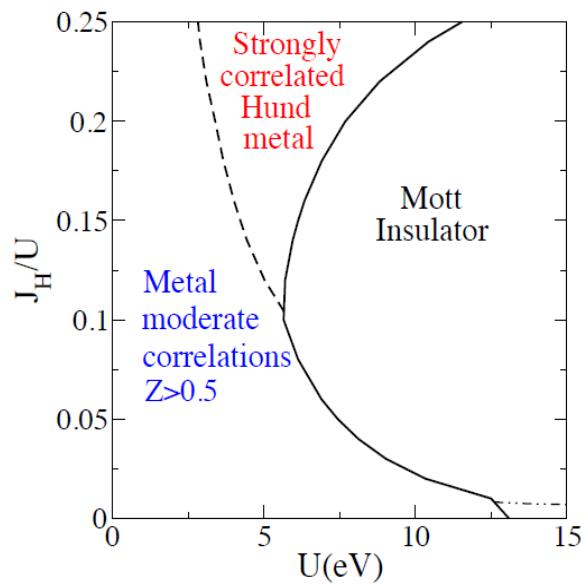


New perspectives in superconductors

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Outline

❑ Talk I: Correlations in iron superconductors

- Introduction to iron superconductors
- Correlations in single-orbital. Cuprates
- Correlations in multiorbital systems.
 - Equivalent orbitals. The Hund metal
 - Unequivalent orbitals. Iron superconductors
- The magnetic state phase diagram
- Comparison with experiments. Iron superconductors in a (U, J_H) phase diagram

❑ Talk II: A few new superconducting materials

- Superconductivity and competing phases
 - CrAs and MnP
 - Ti-oxypnictides. Superconductivity emerging from a nematic state?
- New quasi-1D superconductors
- Hydrides. A new record for high-T_c?

A few superconducting compounds

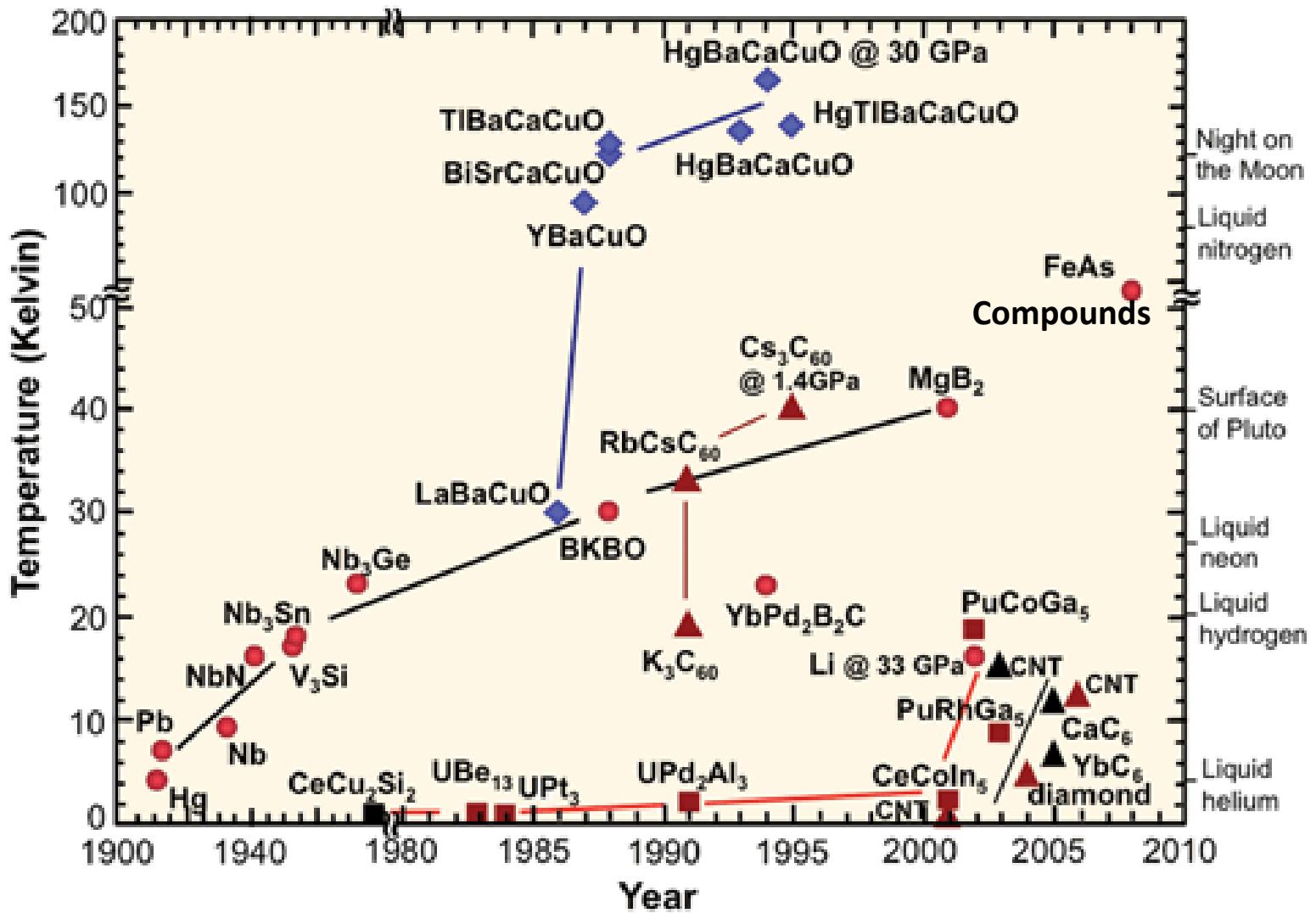


Fig: <http://www.ccas-web.org/superconductivity>

Superconducting families

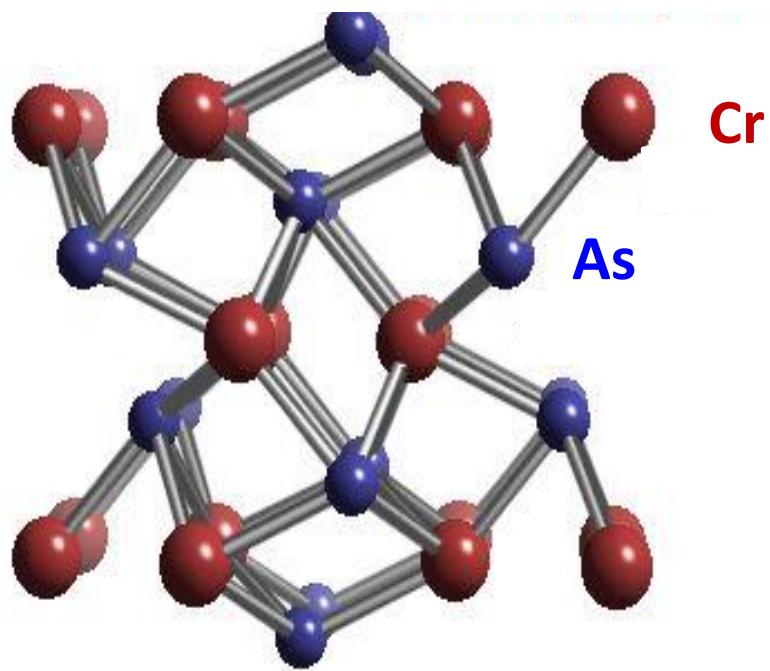
Elements and simple compounds Nb, NbN	A15's Nb_3Ge	Doped semiconductors CB_x	Intercalated graphite C_6Ca
Hydrides (PdH)	Dichalcogenides NbSe_2	Chevrel phases PbMo_6S_8	Magnesium diborides MgB_2
Bismuthates $\text{Ba}_{1-x}\text{K}_x\text{BiO}_3$	Fullerenes $\text{RbCs}_2\text{C}_{60}$	Borocarbides $\text{YPd}_5\text{B}_3\text{C}_{0.3}$	Bismuth sulfides $\text{YbO}_{0.5}\text{F}_{0.5}\text{BiS}_2$
Heavy fermions and Pu superconductors UPd_2Al_3 , PuCoGa_5	Cuprates $\text{YBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_7$	Iron superconductors FeSe , LiFeAs	Organic spcs (charge transfer salts) $(\text{BEDT-TTF})_2\text{X}$
Strontium ruthenate Sr_2RuO_4	Layered nitrides $\text{Ca}(\text{THF})\text{HfNCl}$	Ferrromagnetic superconductors UGe_2	Non centrosymmetric superconductors SrPtSi_3
Interface superconductivity $\text{LaAlO}_3/\text{SrTiO}_3$	Hidrated cobaltites $\text{Na}_x(\text{H}_3\text{O})_z\text{CoO}_2 \cdot y\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Topological superconductors $\text{Cu}_x(\text{PbSe})_5(\text{Bi}_2\text{Se}_3)_6$	Aromatic hidrocarbides $\text{K}_x\text{-Picene}$

Hirsch et al, Physica C 514, 1 (2015)

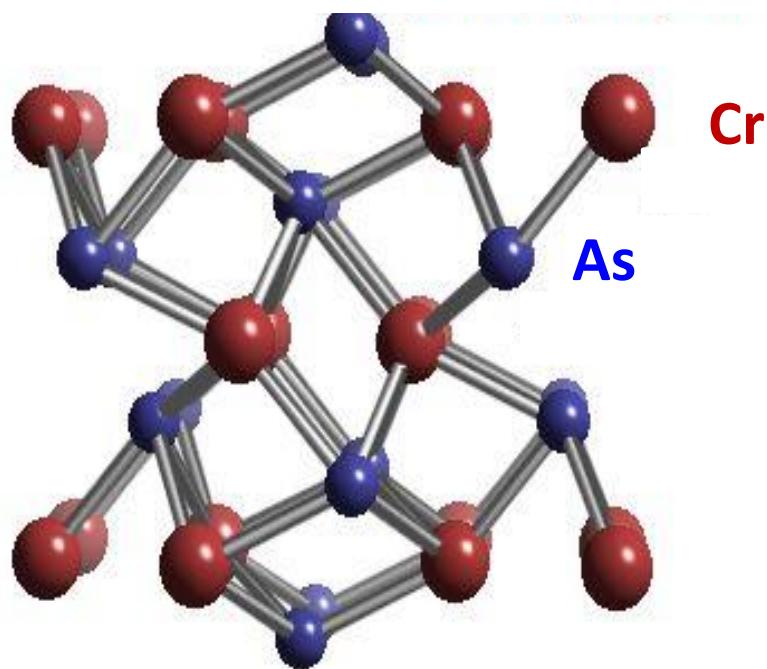
3d based superconductors

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2	3 Li	4 Be											5 B	6 C	7 N	8 O	9 F	10 Ne
3	11 Na	12 Mg											13 Al	14 Si	15 P	16 S	17 Cl	18 Ar
4	19 K	20 Ca	21 Sc	22 Ti	23 V	24 Cr	25 Mn	26 Fe	27 Co	28 Ni	29 Cu	30 Zn	31 Ga	32 Ge	33 As	34 Se	35 Br	36 Kr
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	*	57 La	58 Ce	59 Pr	60 Nd	61 Pm	62 Sm	63 Eu	64 Gd	65 Tb	66 Dy	67 Ho	68 Er	69 Tm	70 Yb	71 Lu		
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Superconductivity in CrAs and MnP



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Magnetic moments in
ab plane

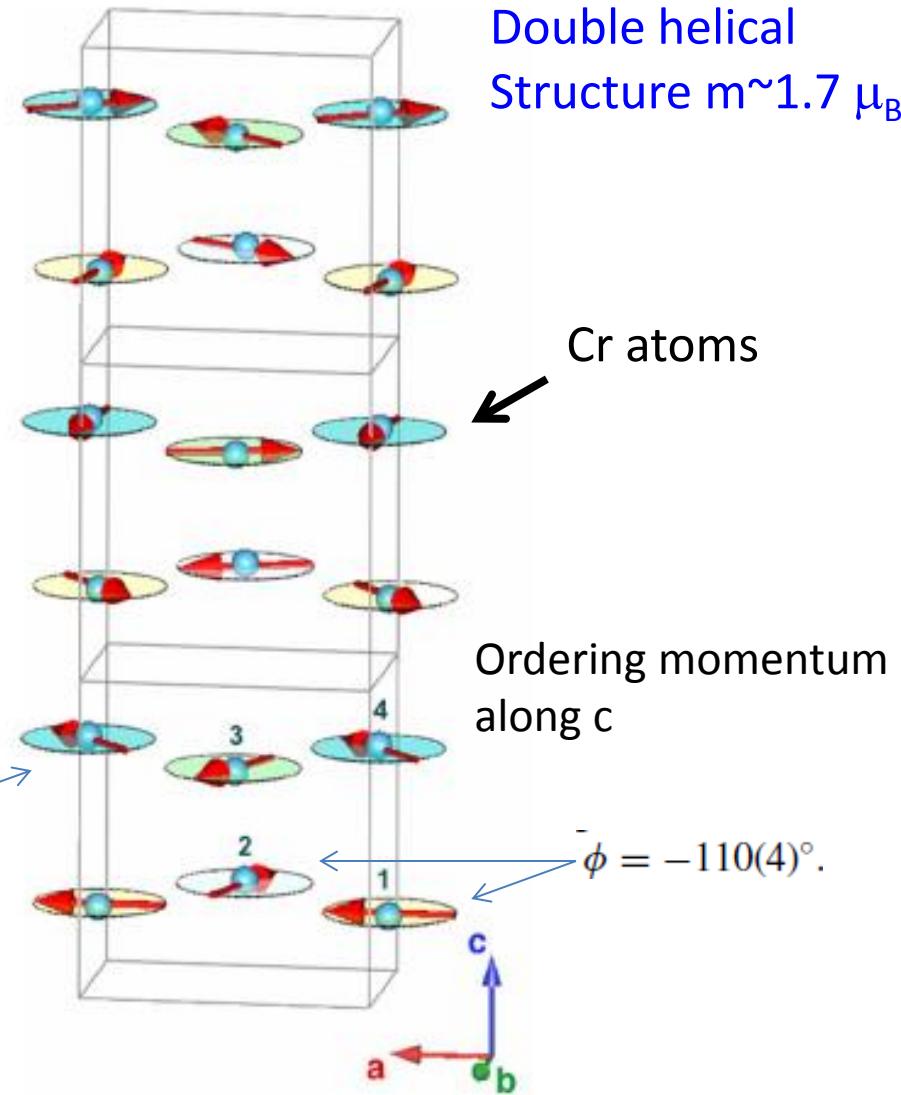
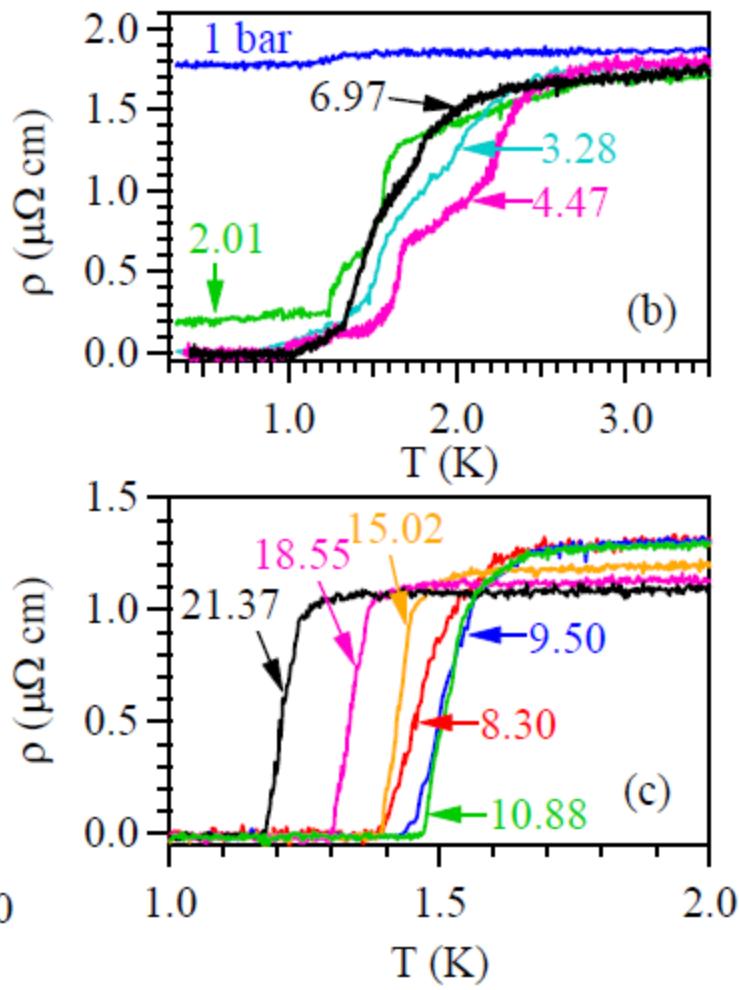
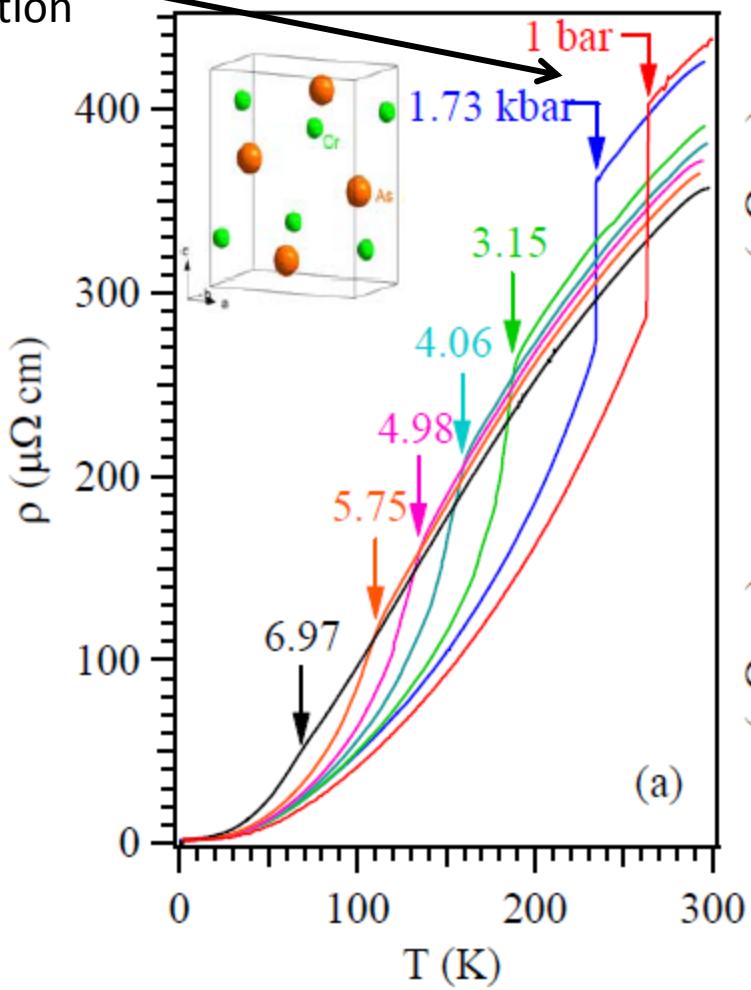


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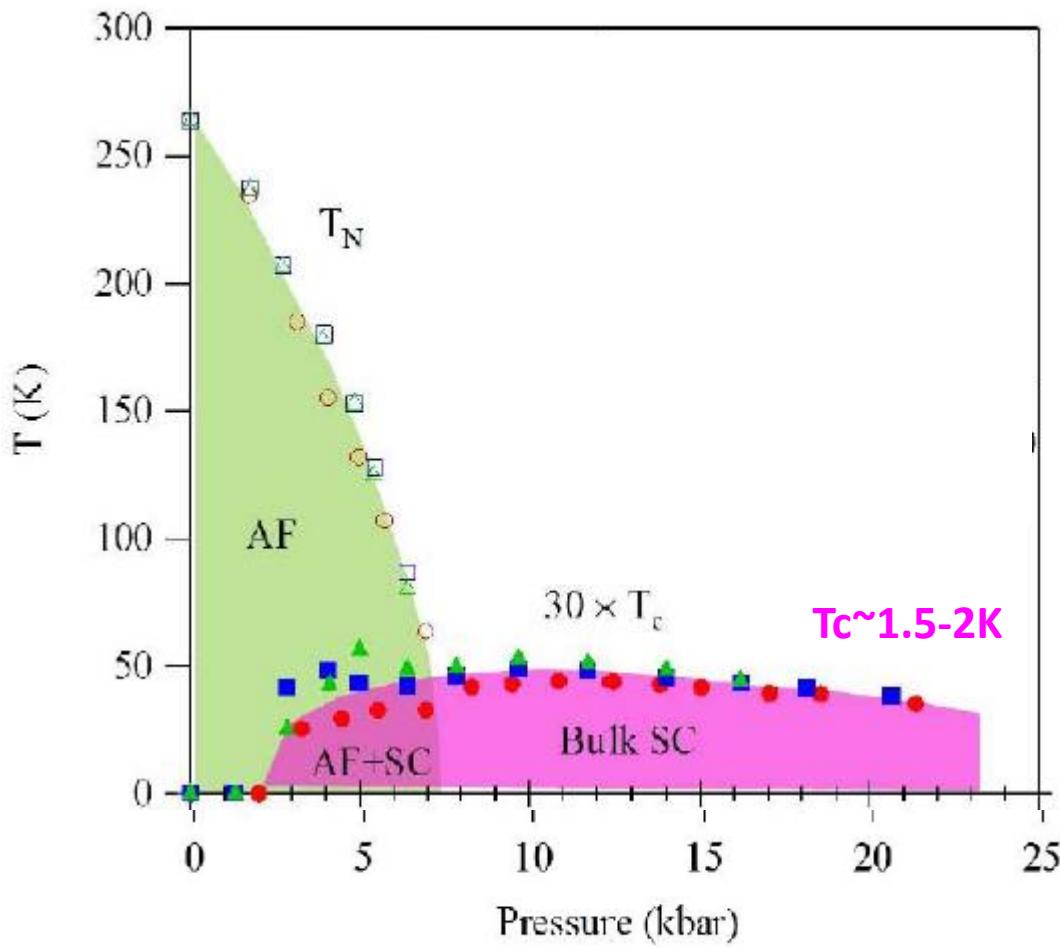
Fig:Keller et al, PRB 91, 020409 (2015)

Superconductivity in CrAs and MnP

First order
transition

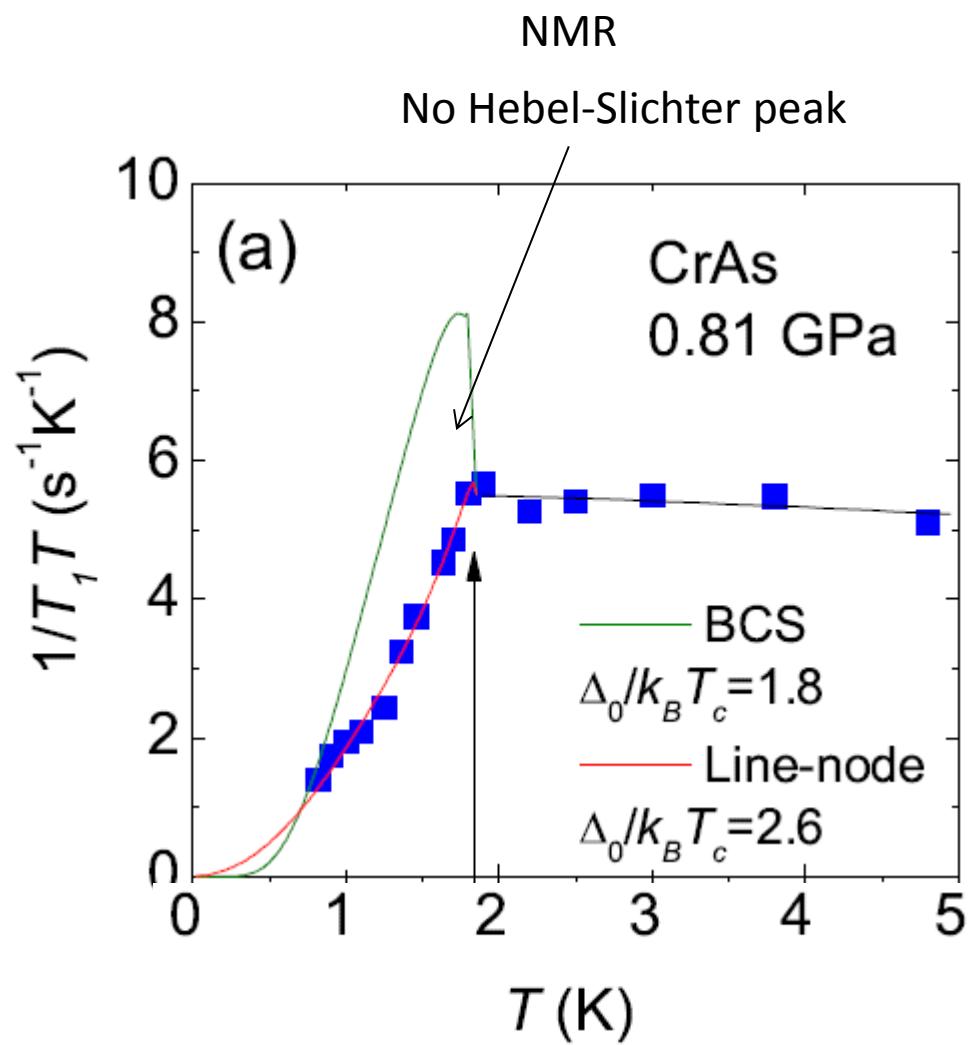
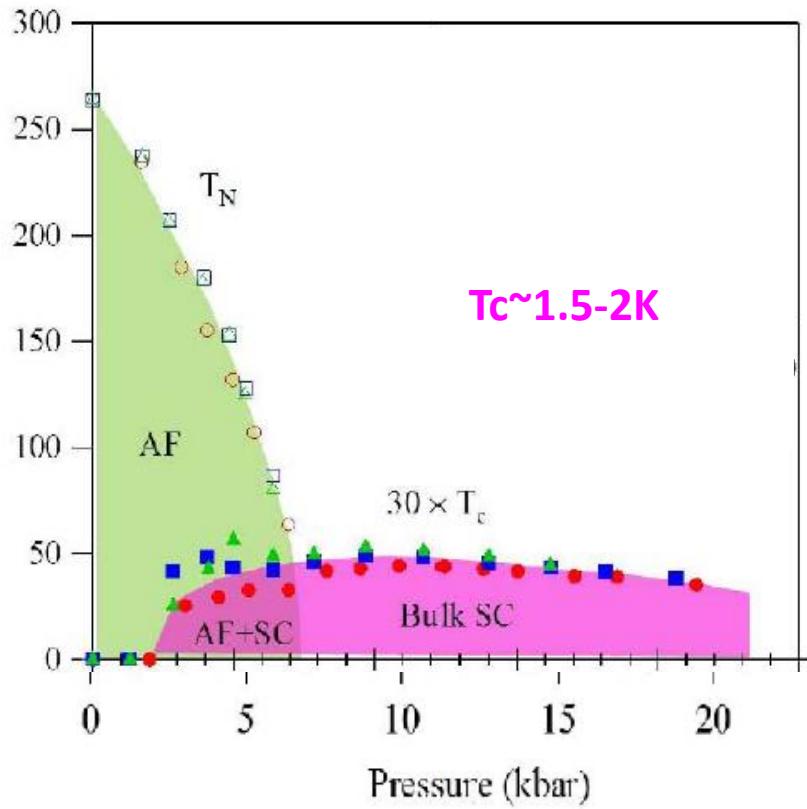


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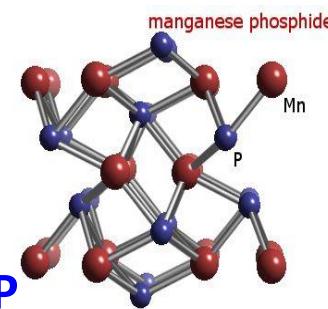
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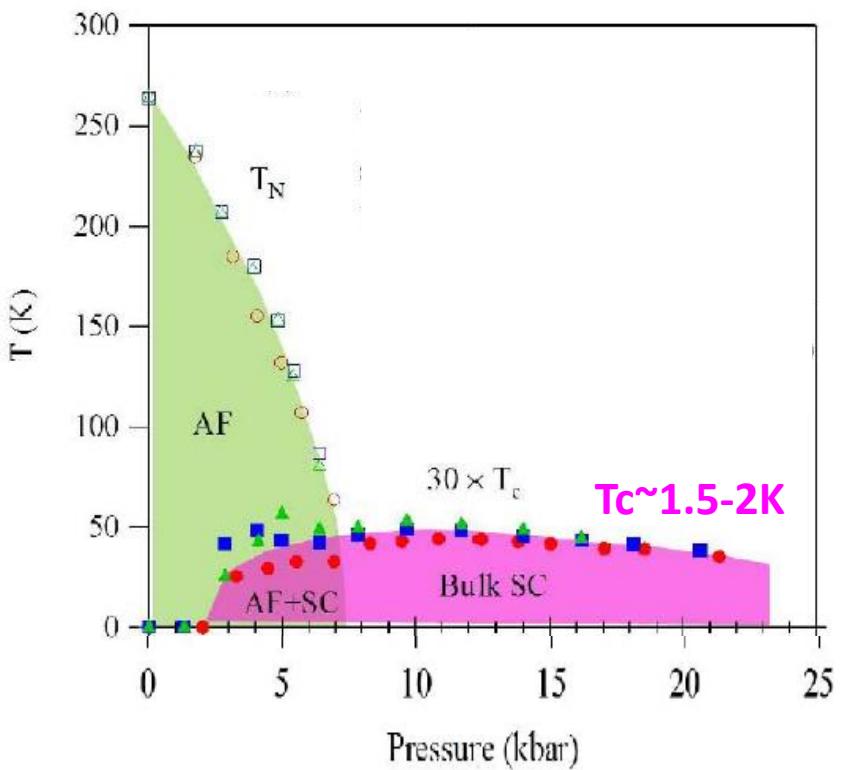
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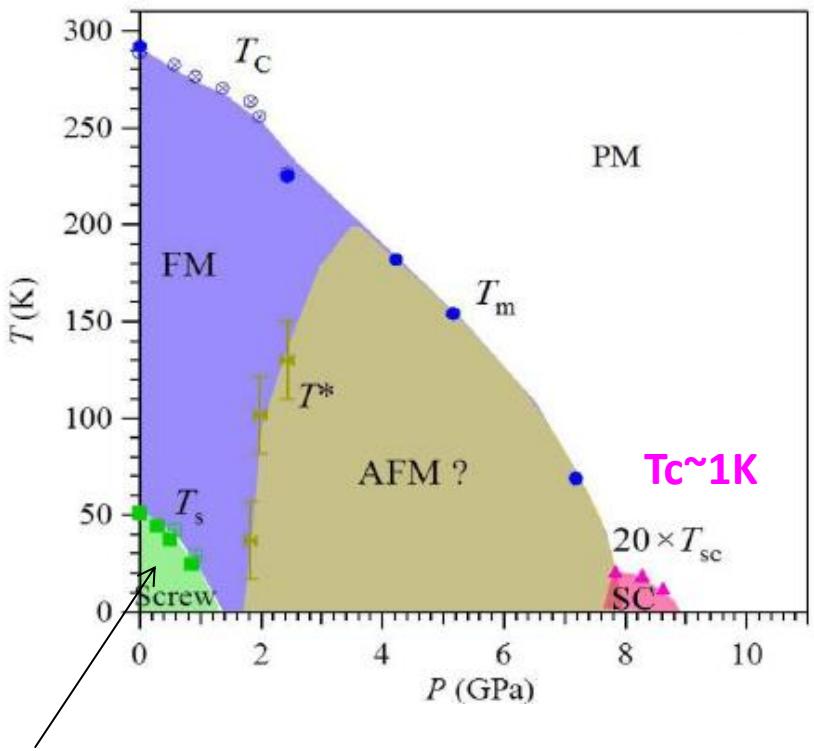
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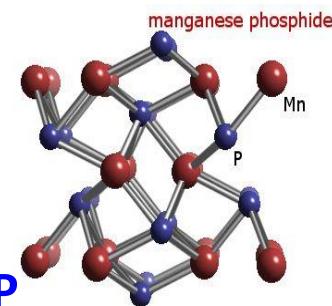
Helimagnet
 $\mu \sim 1.3 \mu_B$

MnP: First Mn-based
superconducting compound

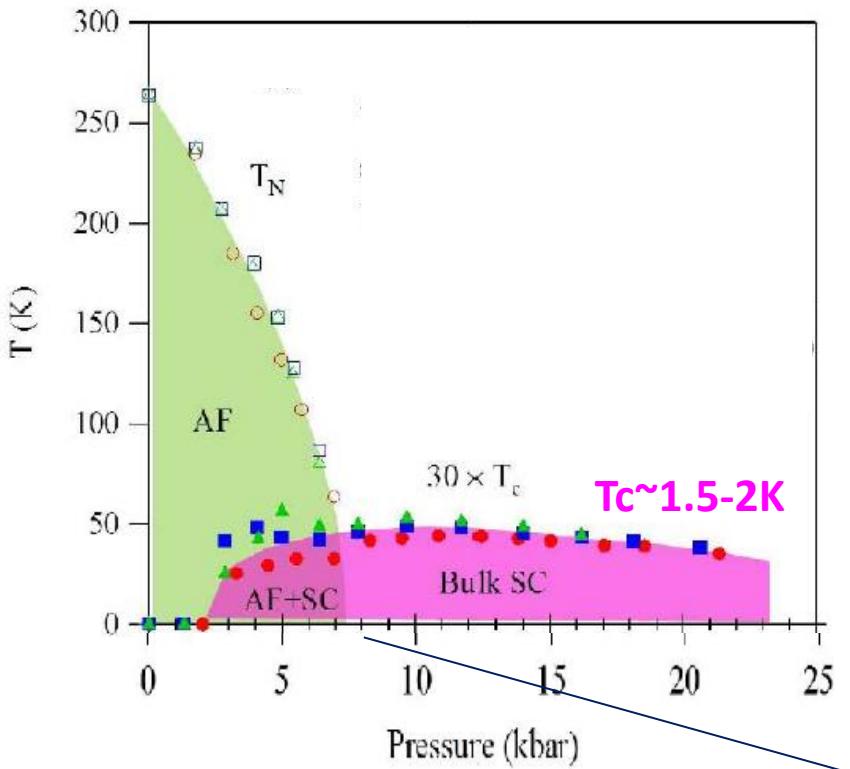
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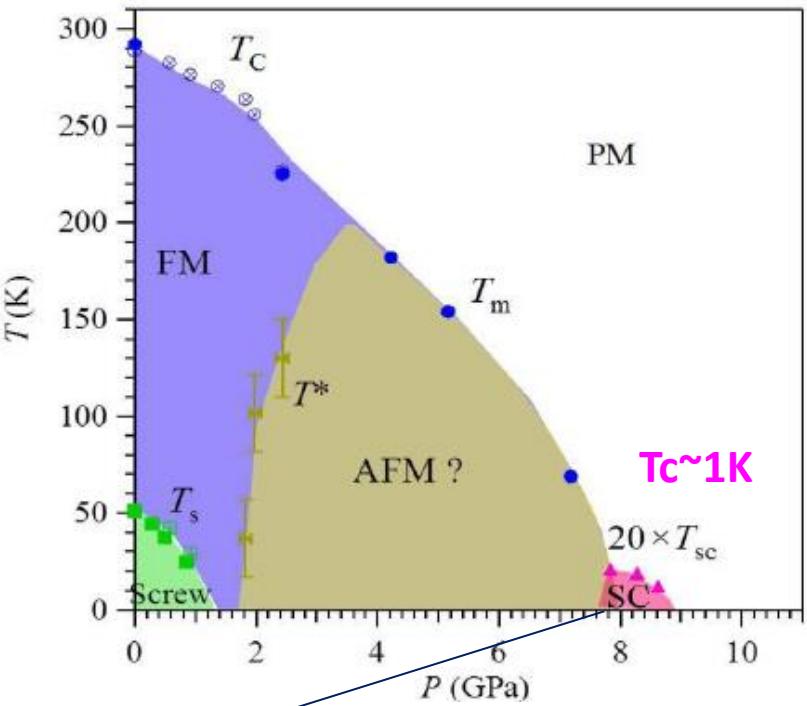
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CrAs



Quantum Critical Behavior?

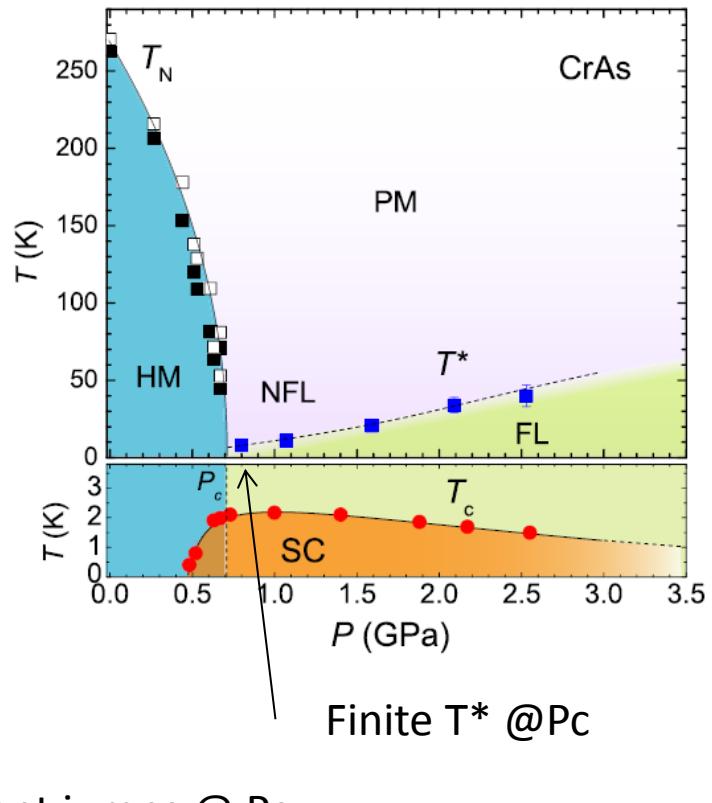
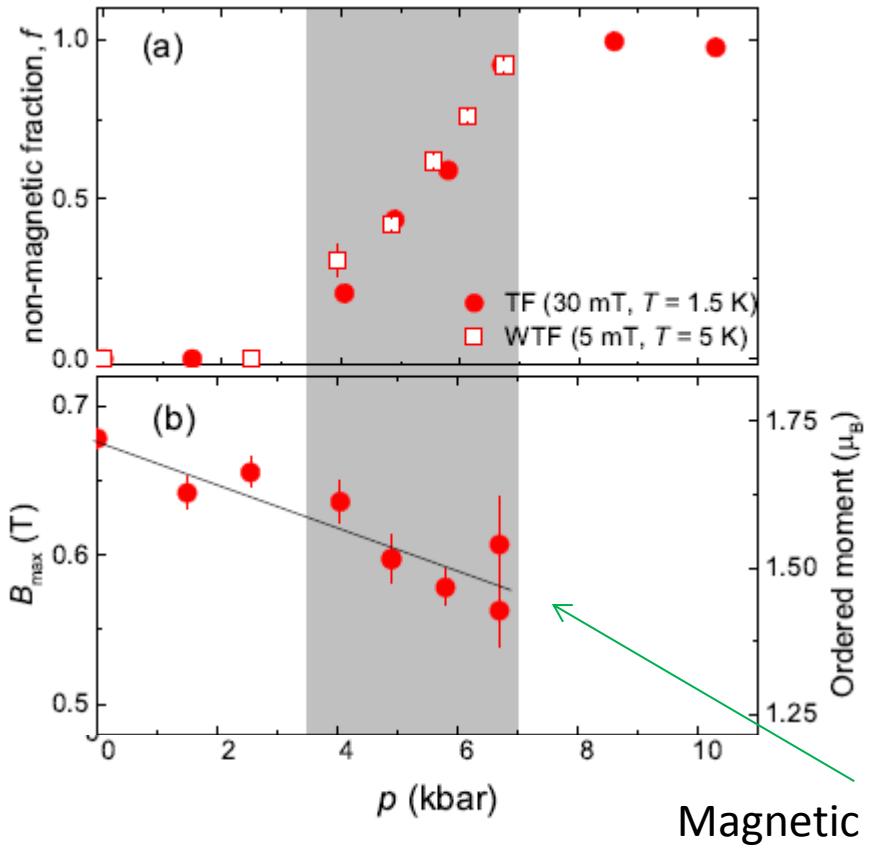


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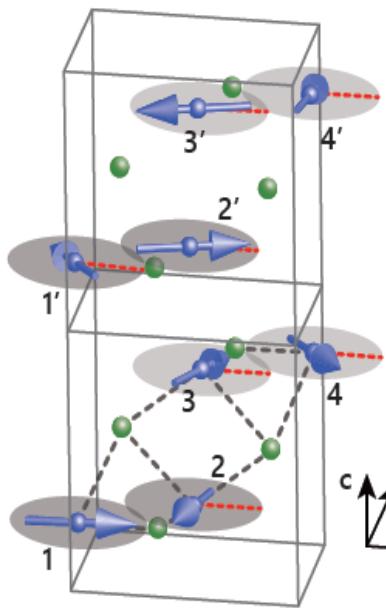
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- Initial claims in favour of QCP from CrAs and MnP from resistivity measurements
- In CrAs: First order transition and phase separation at P_c from NMR, neutron diffraction and muon spectroscopy

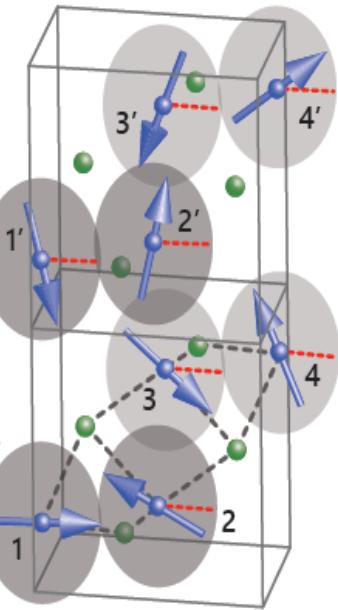


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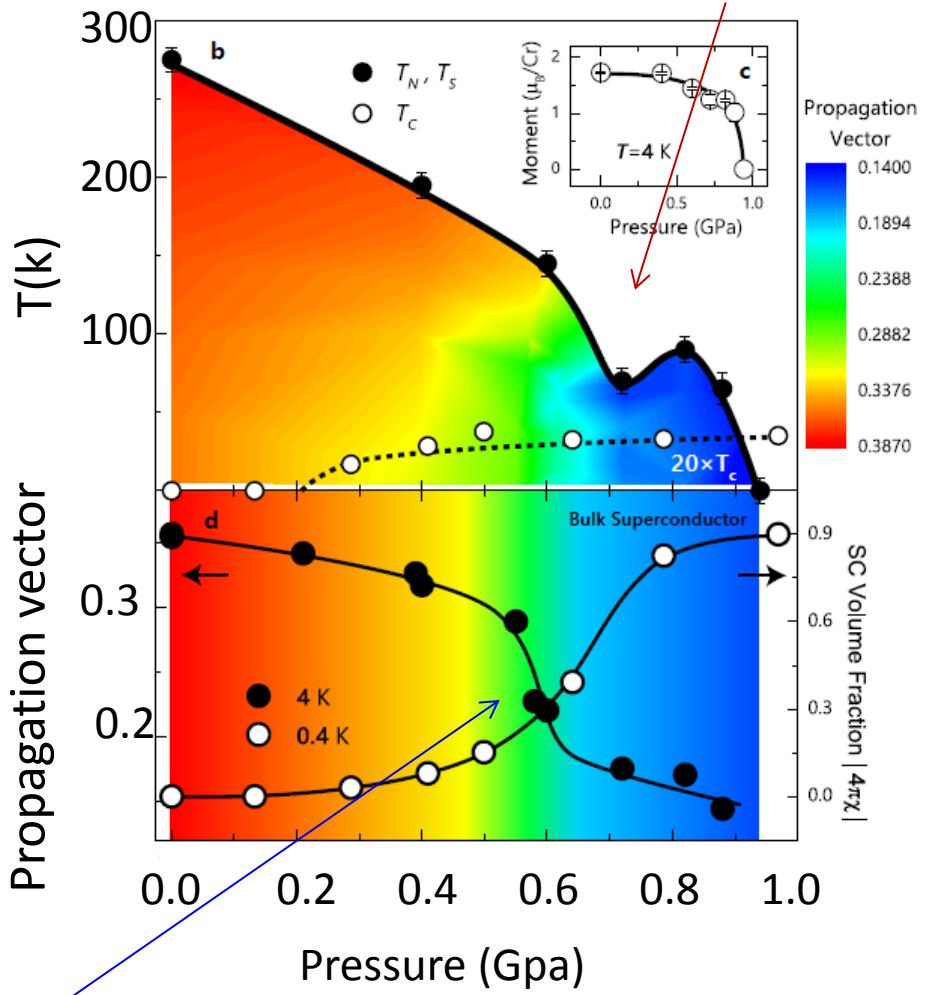
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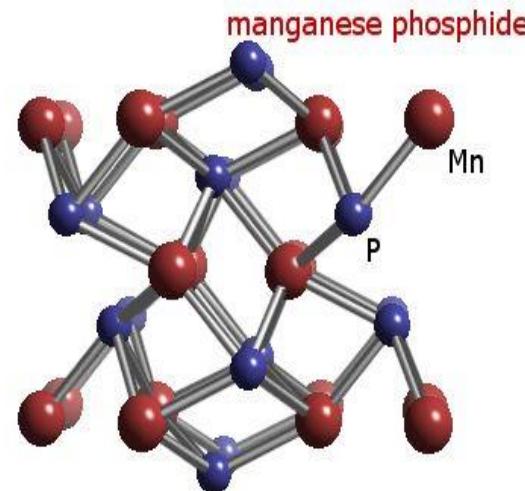
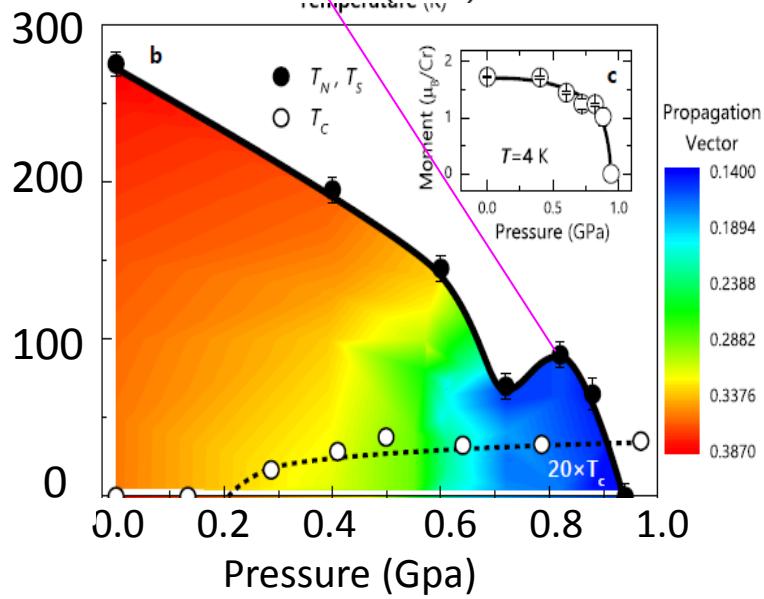
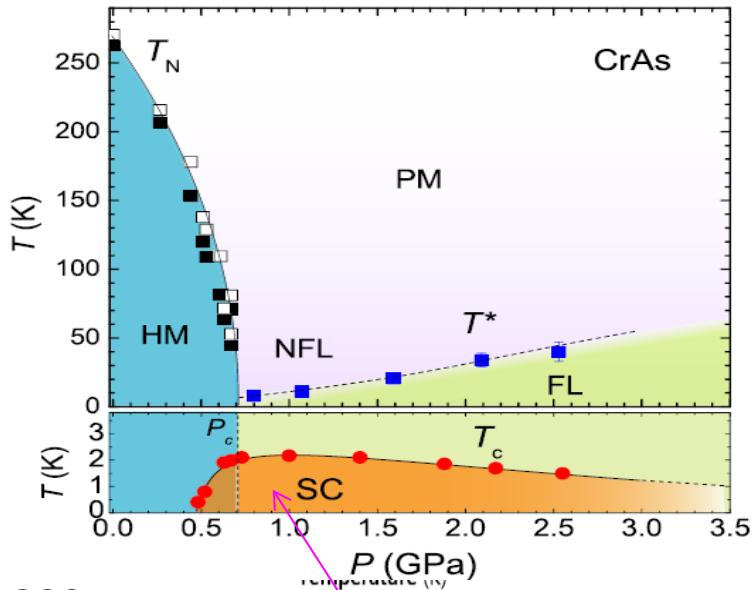
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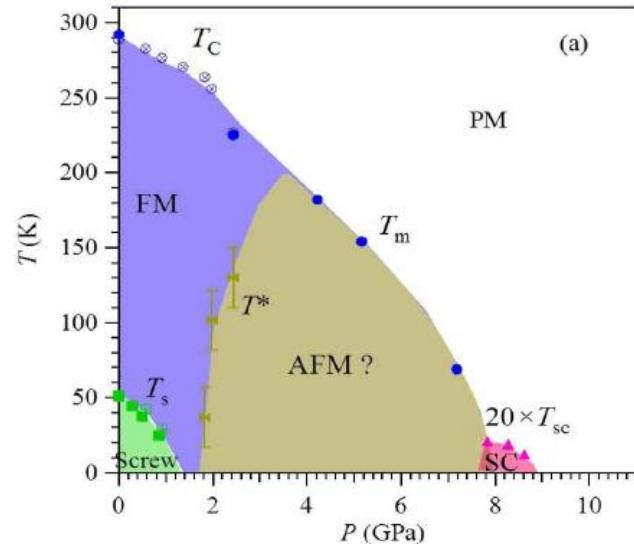
Magnetic reorganization



Superconductivity in CrAs and MnP: Summary



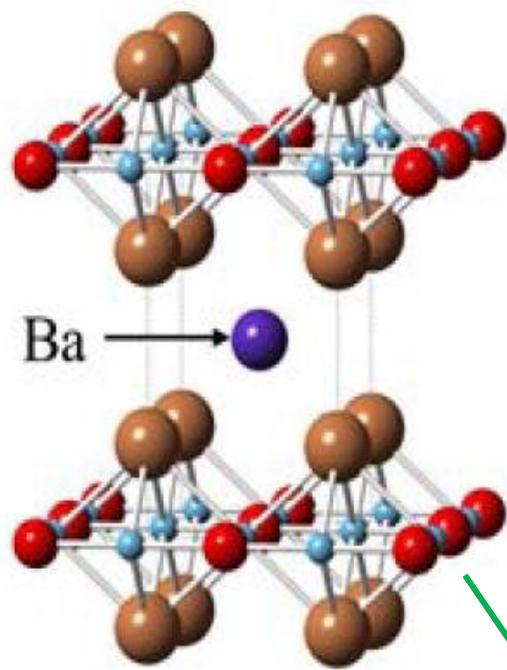
Talk by J. Cheng
next week



Titanium oxypnictides ATi_2Pn_2O

A=Na₂, Ba, (SrF)₂ ...

Nominal charge +2



TiO₂Pn₄
octahedron
layers

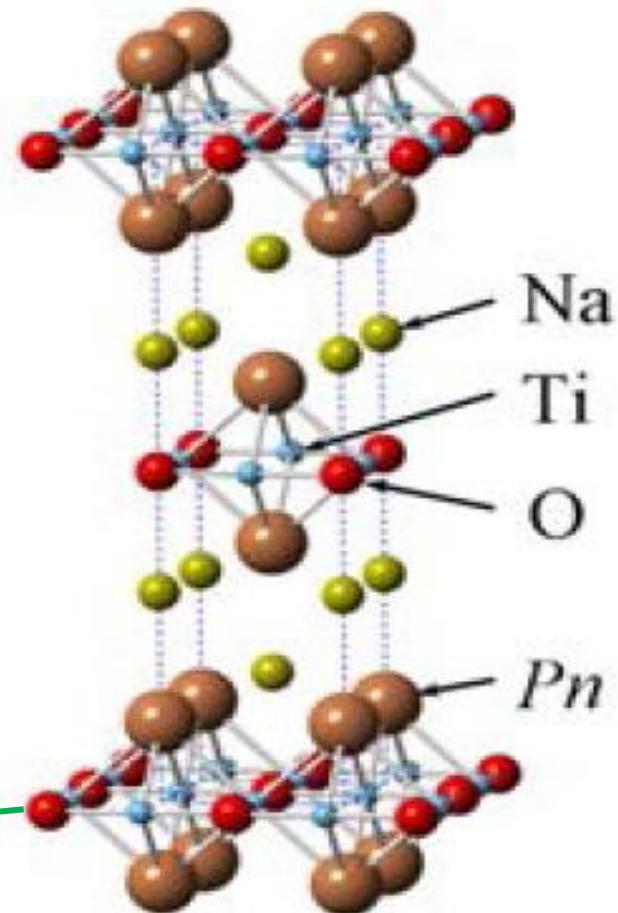
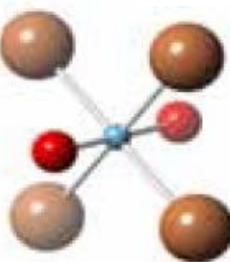


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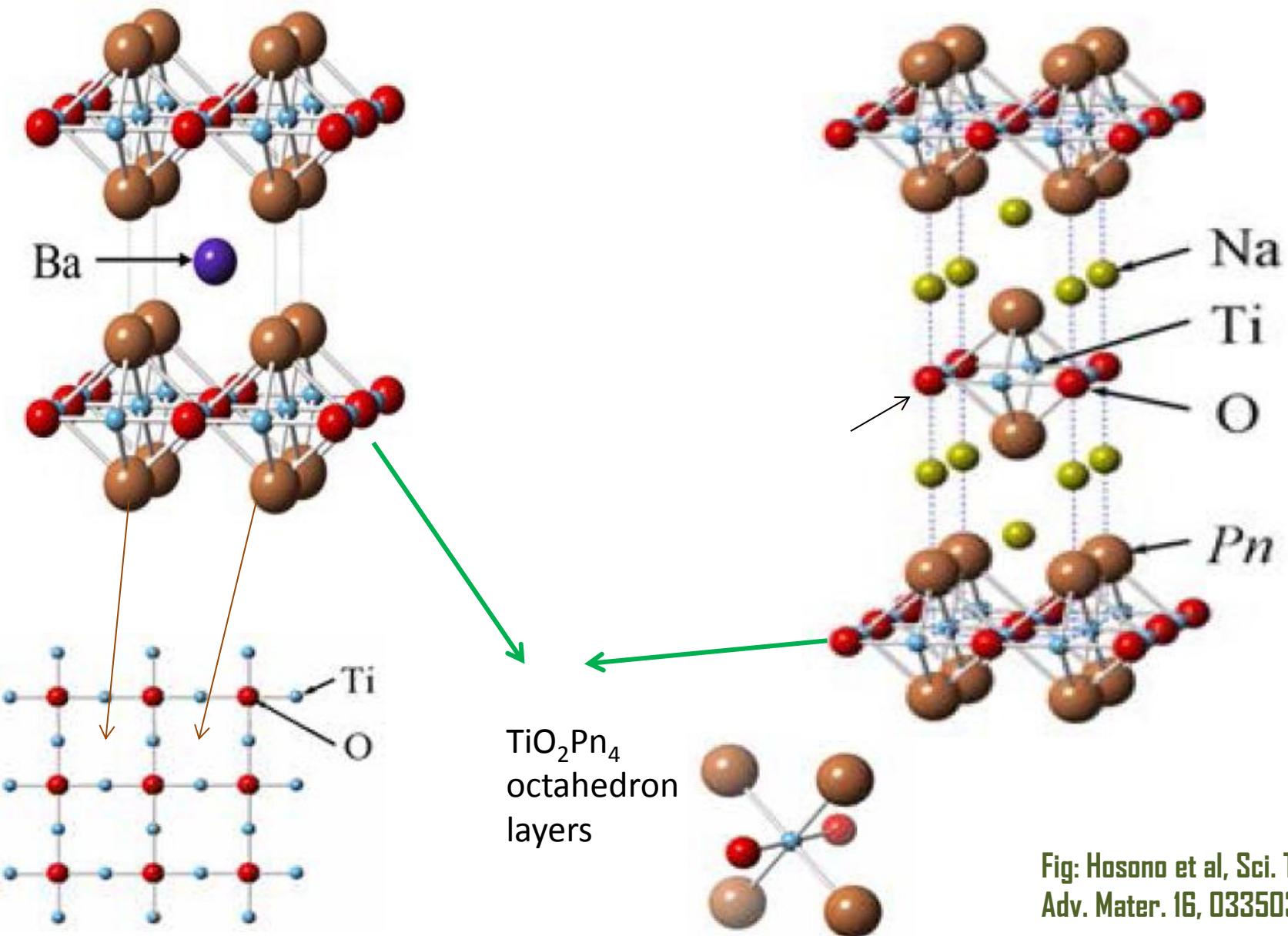


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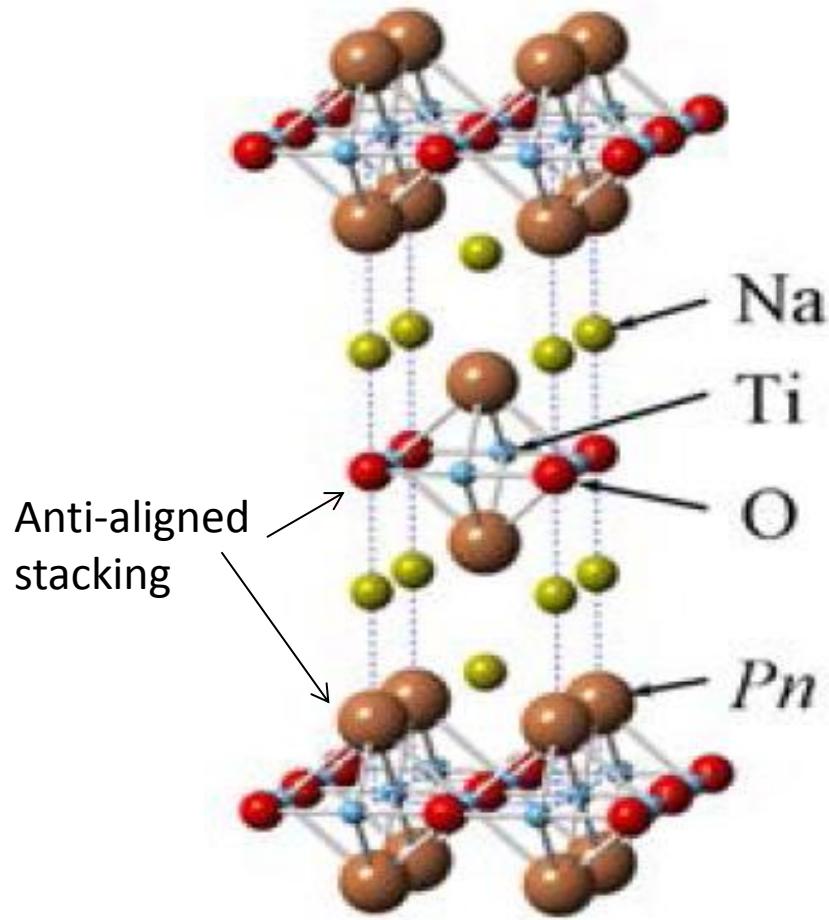
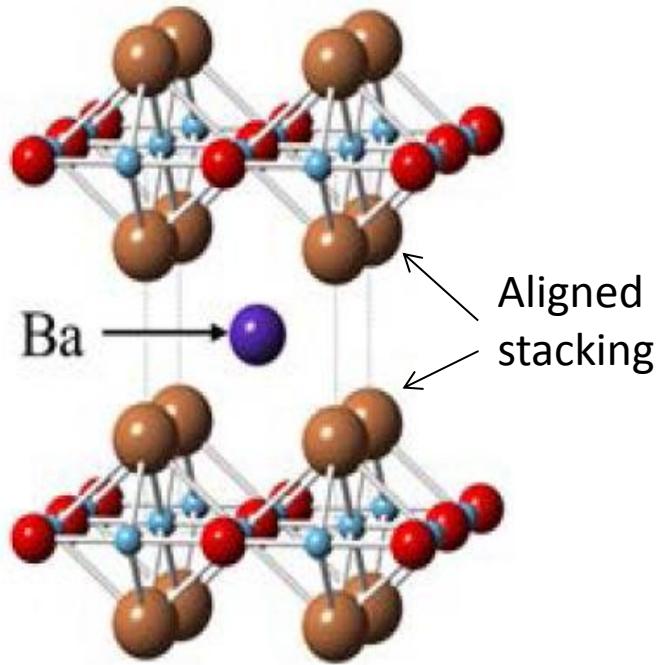
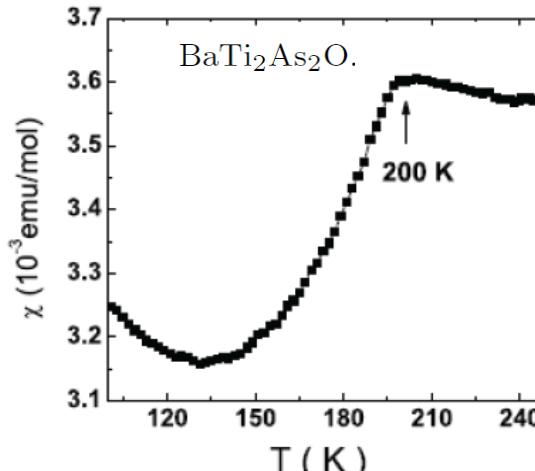
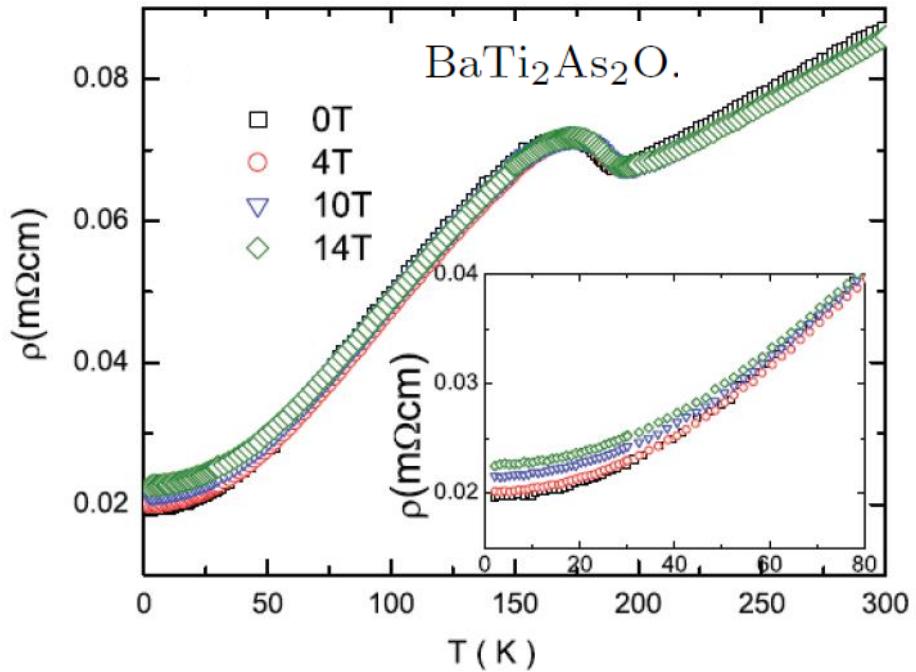


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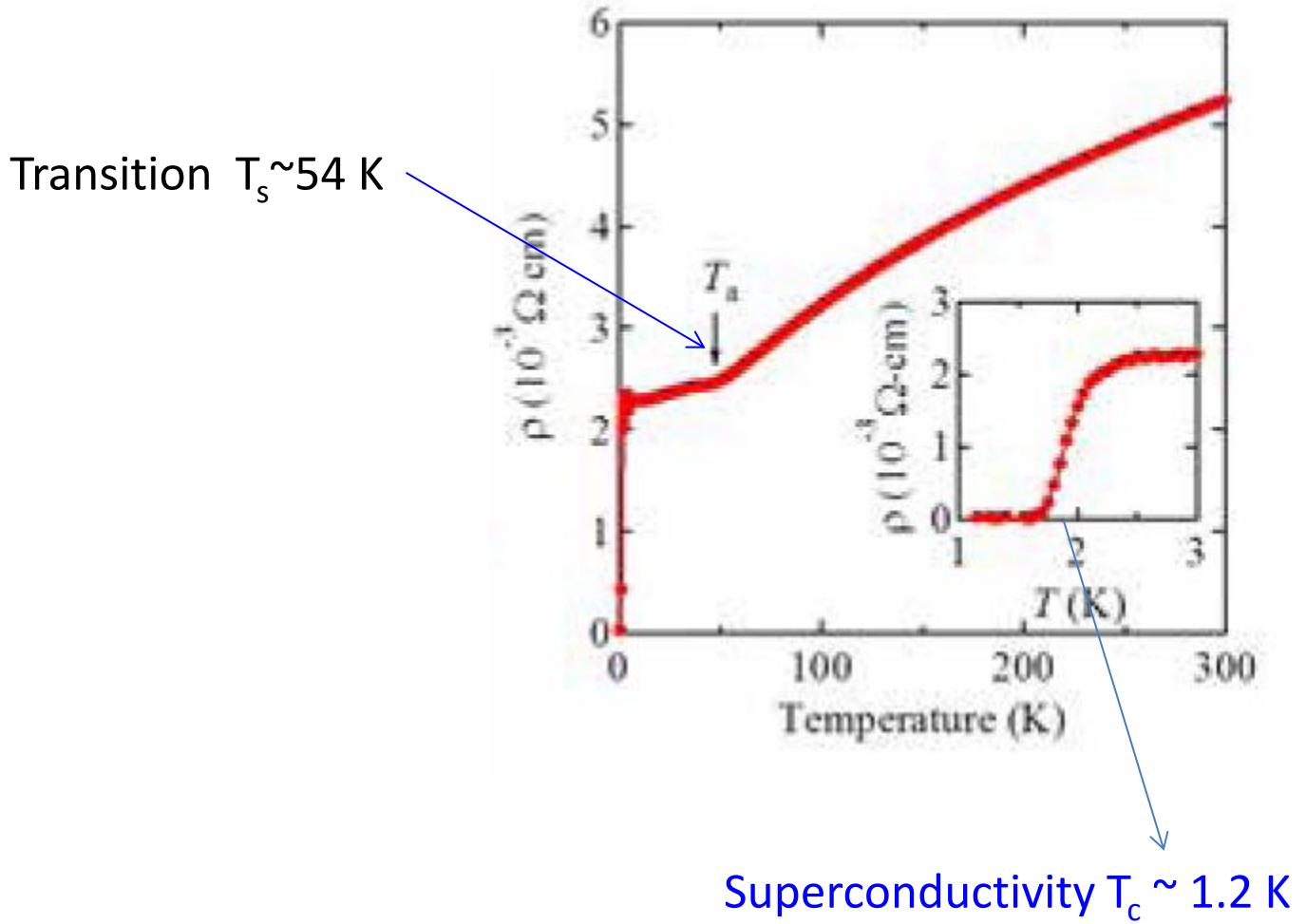
Titanium oxypnictides $\text{ATi}_2\text{Pn}_2\text{O}$: ordered state

- $\text{Na}_2\text{Ti}_2\text{As}_2\text{O}$: $T_s \sim 320$ K
- $\text{Na}_2\text{Ti}_2\text{Sb}_2\text{O}$: $T_s \sim 120$ K
- $\text{BaTi}_2\text{As}_2\text{O}$: $T_s \sim 200$ K



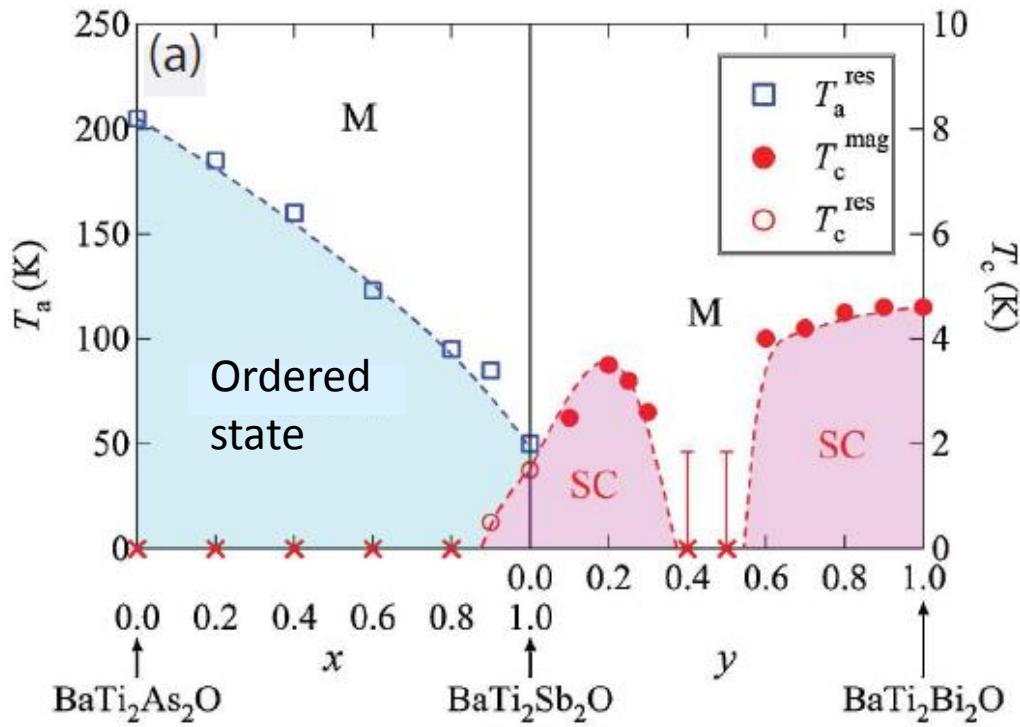
Wang et al,
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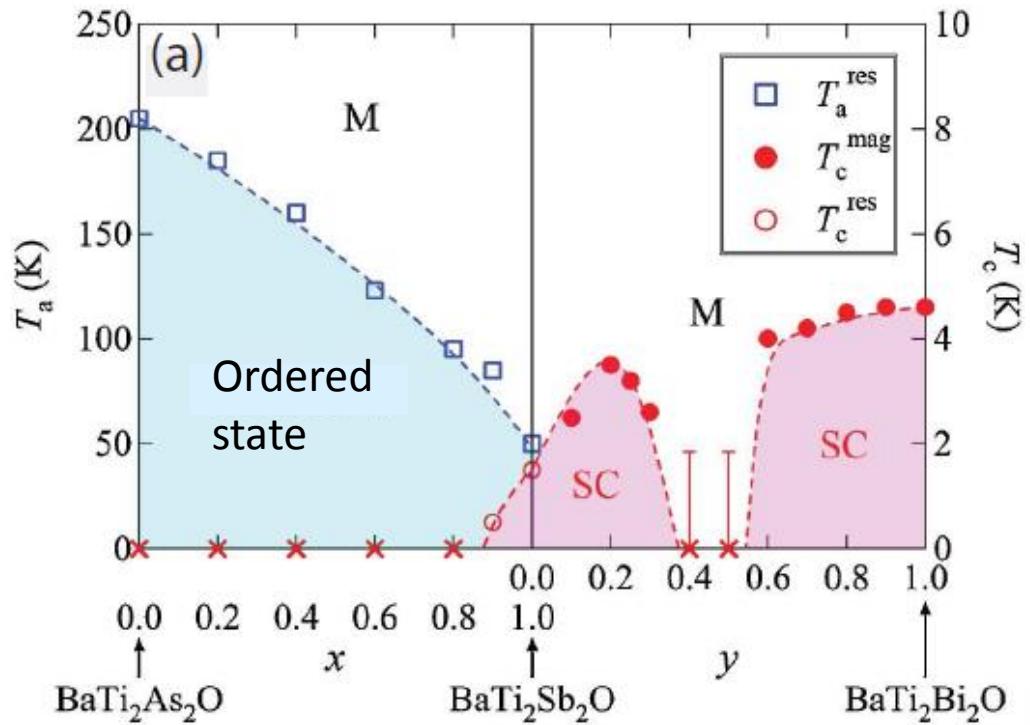
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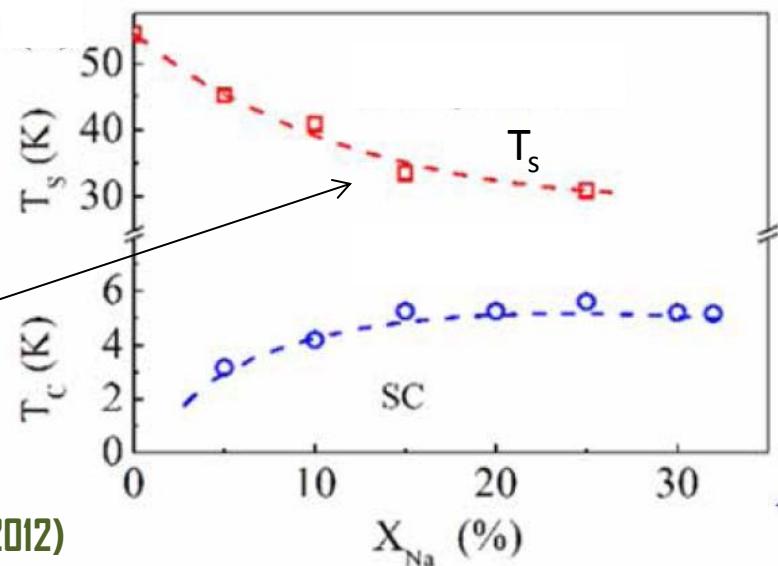
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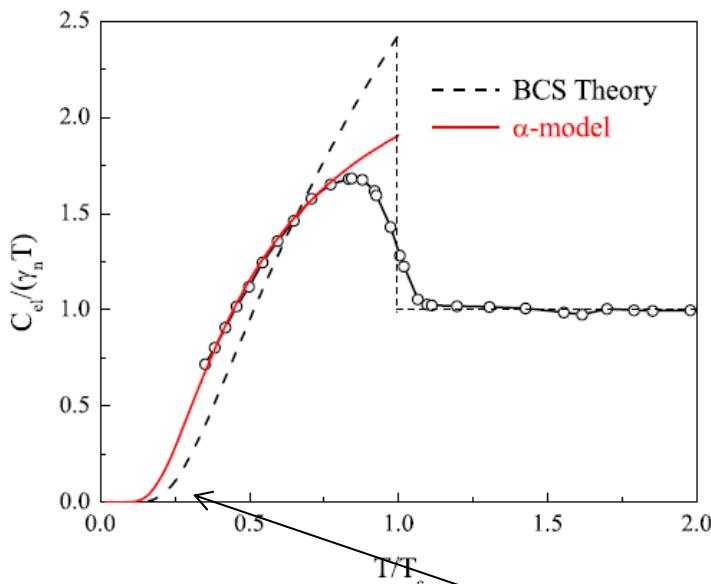
Hole-doping $\text{Ba}_{1-x}\text{Na}_x\text{Ti}_2\text{Pn}_2\text{O}$



Doan et al, JACS. 134, 16520 (2012)

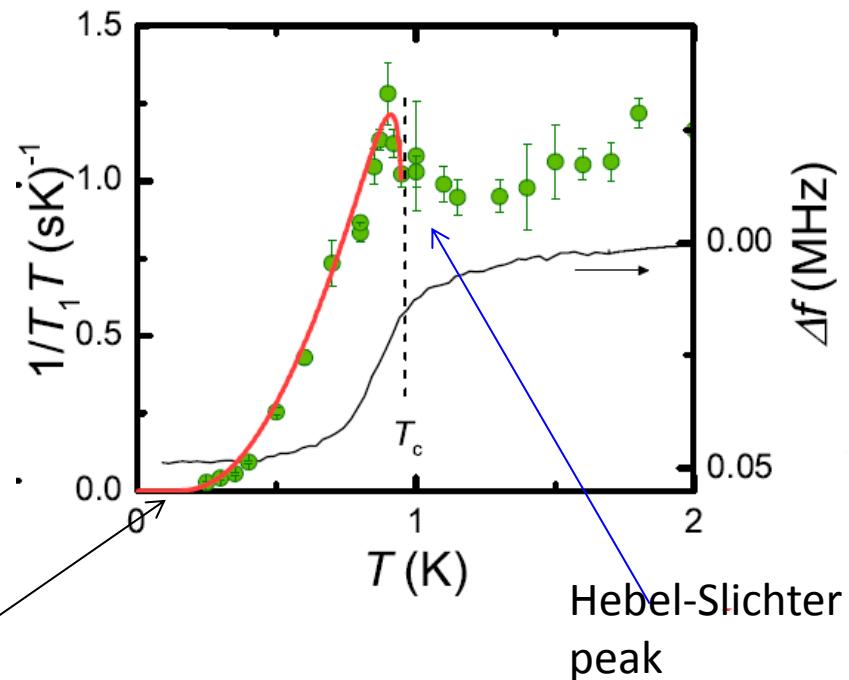
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Specific heat



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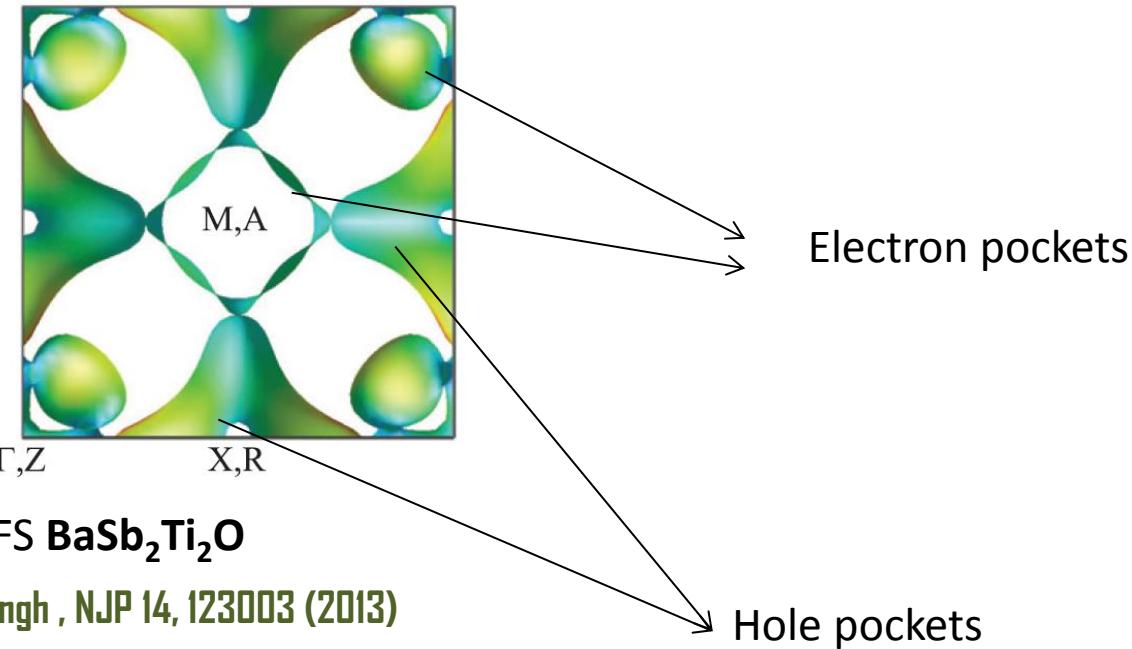
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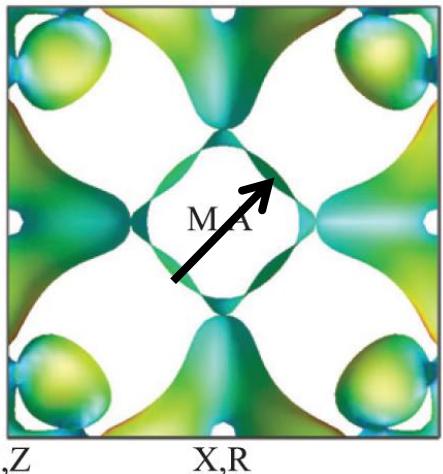
Nested Fermi surfaces in titanium oxypnictides

Small mass enhancement ~1-1.5



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Na₂Sb₂Ti₂O (Ts~120K, no SC)

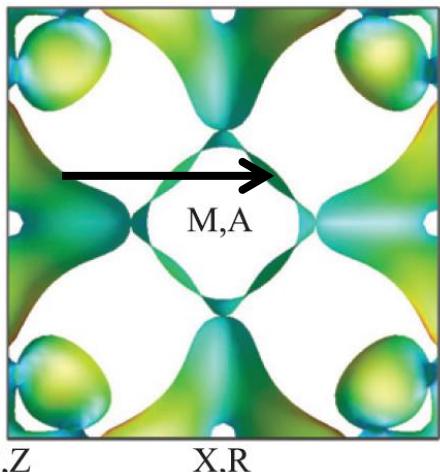
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Pickett, PRB 58, 4335 (1998)
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Possible second transition with Q_M
Biani et al, Inorg. Chem. 7, 5810 (1998)

FS BaSb₂Ti₂O

Singh , NJP 14, 123003 (2013)

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FS $\text{BaSb}_2\text{Ti}_2\text{O}$

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$\mu \sim 0.5 \mu_B$

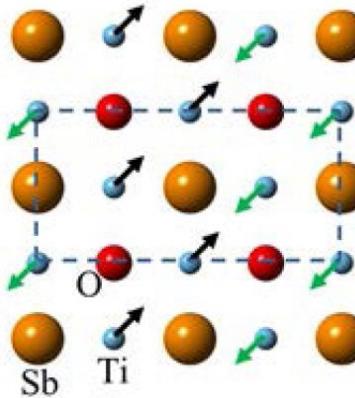
Wang & Lu, JPCM 25,
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$\text{Na}_2\text{Sb}_2\text{Ti}_2\text{O}$ ($T_s \sim 120$ K, no SC)

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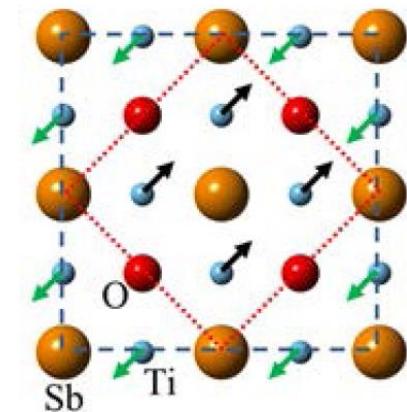
Commensurate SDW

$\text{Na}_2\text{Sb}_2\text{Ti}_2\text{O}$ ($T_s \sim 120$ K, no SC)



Double stripe SDW $Q_{XM} = (\pi, 0)$ or $(0, \pi)$

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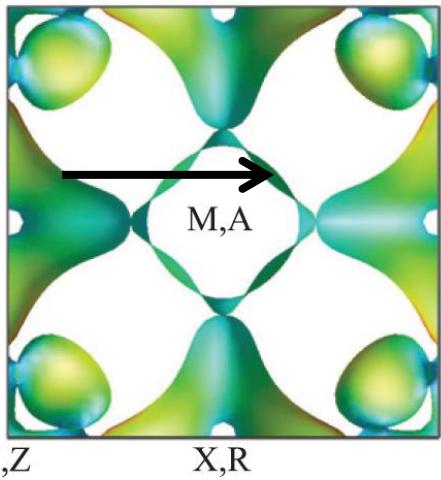


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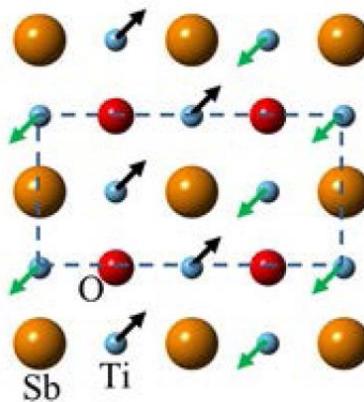
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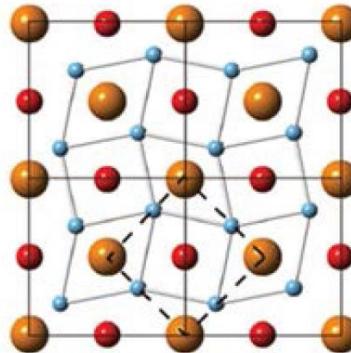


$\text{BaSb}_2\text{Ti}_2\text{O}$ ($T_s \sim 54$ K, SC ~ 1.2 K)



Double stripe SDW
 $Q_{XM} = (\pi, 0)$ or $(0, \pi)$
 $\mu \sim 0.2 \mu_B$

Singh , NJP 14, 123003 (2013)



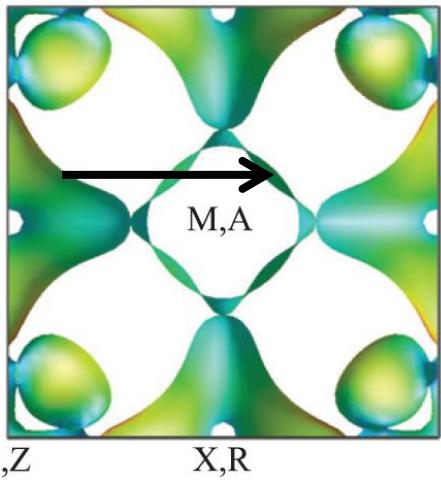
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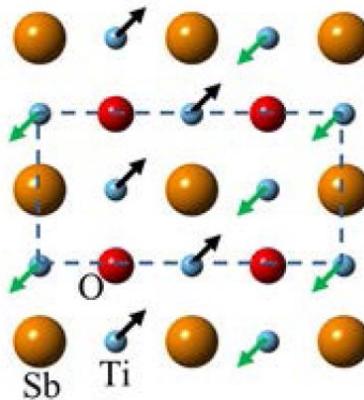
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Nested Fermi surfaces in titanium oxypnictides

Small mass enhancement ~1-2



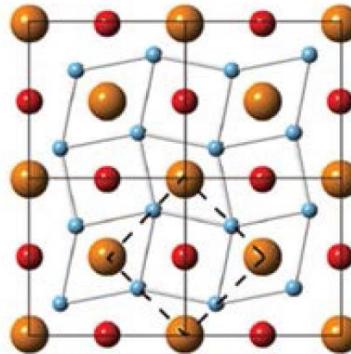
$\text{BaSb}_2\text{Ti}_2\text{O}$ ($T_s \sim 54$ K, SC ~ 1.2 K)



Double stripe SDW
 $Q_{XM} = (\pi, 0)$ or $(0, \pi)$
 $\mu \sim 0.2 \mu_B$

Magnetically mediated SC s^\pm

Singh, NJP 14, 123003 (2013)



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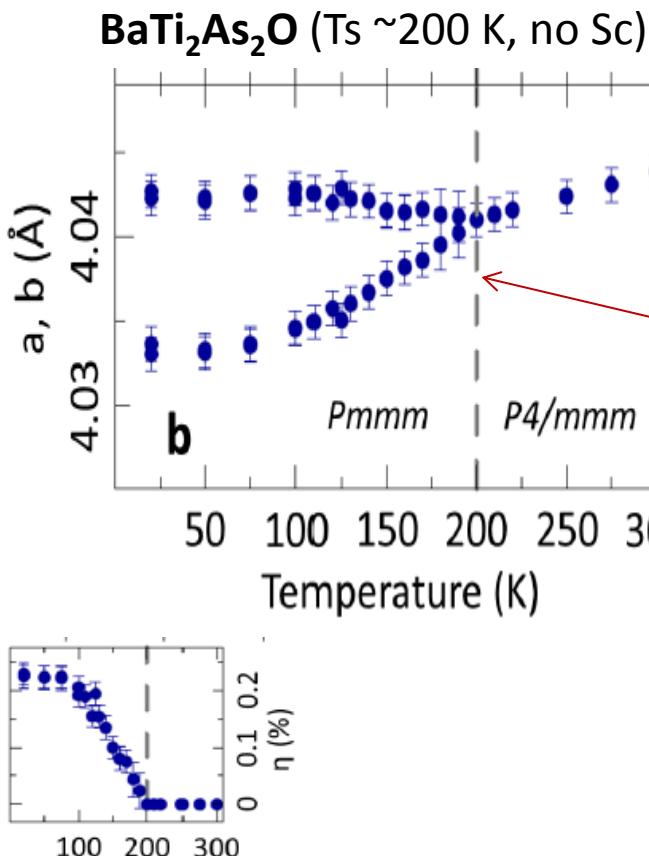
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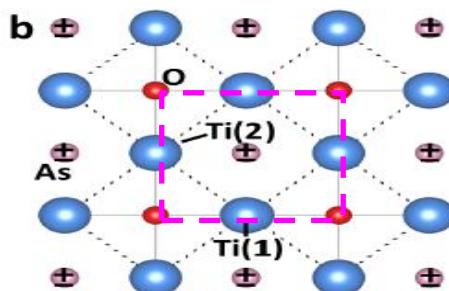
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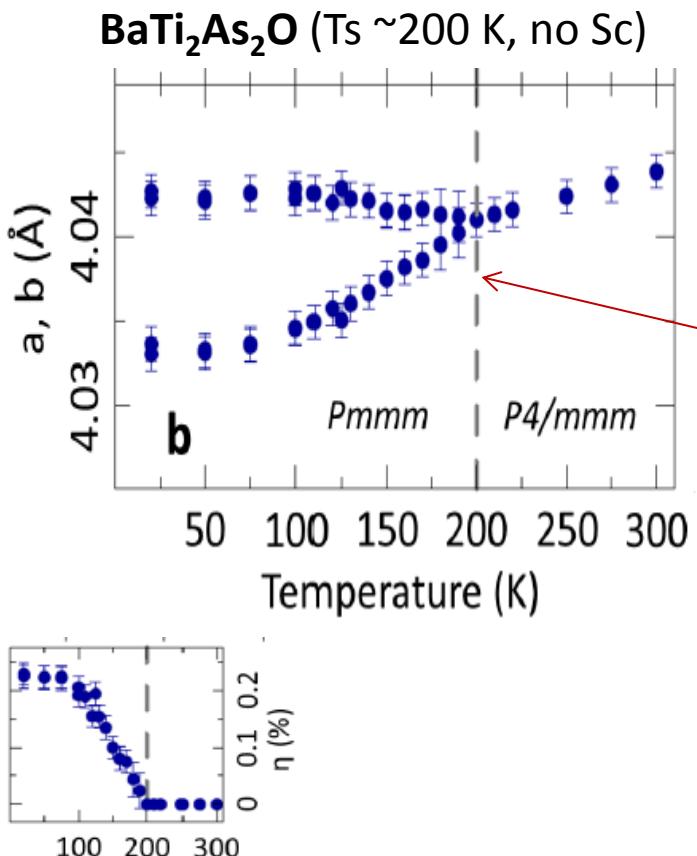
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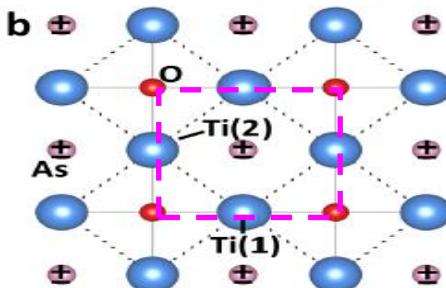
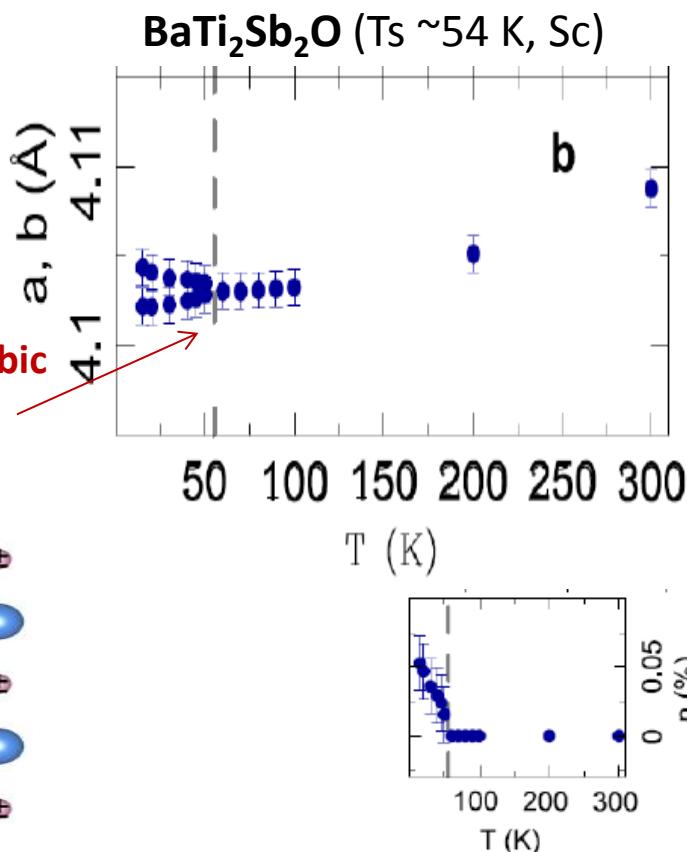
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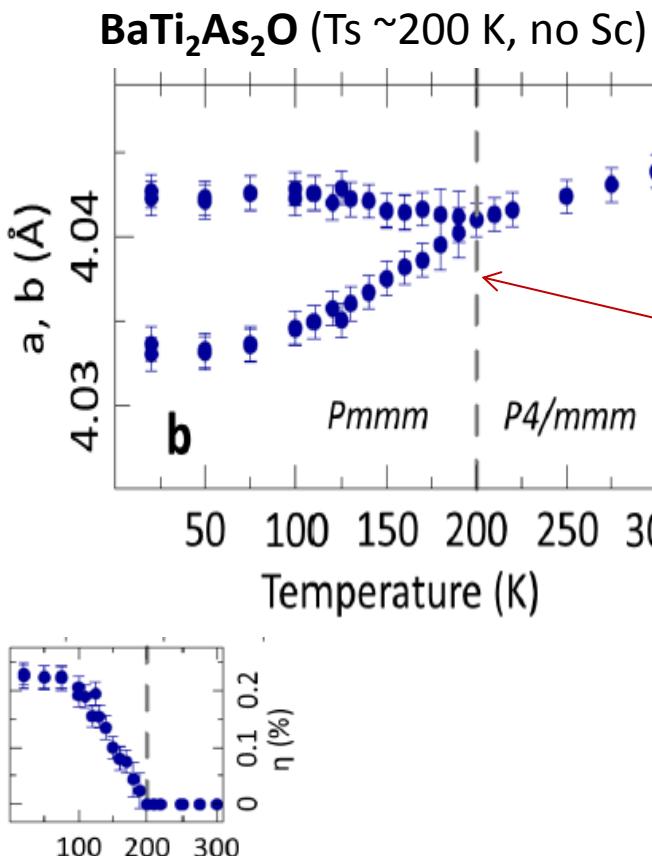
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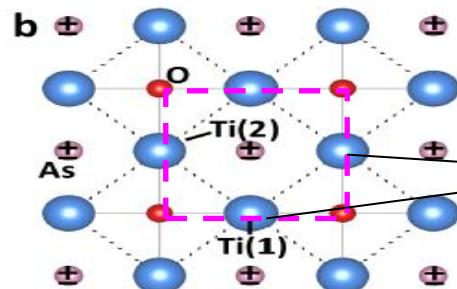


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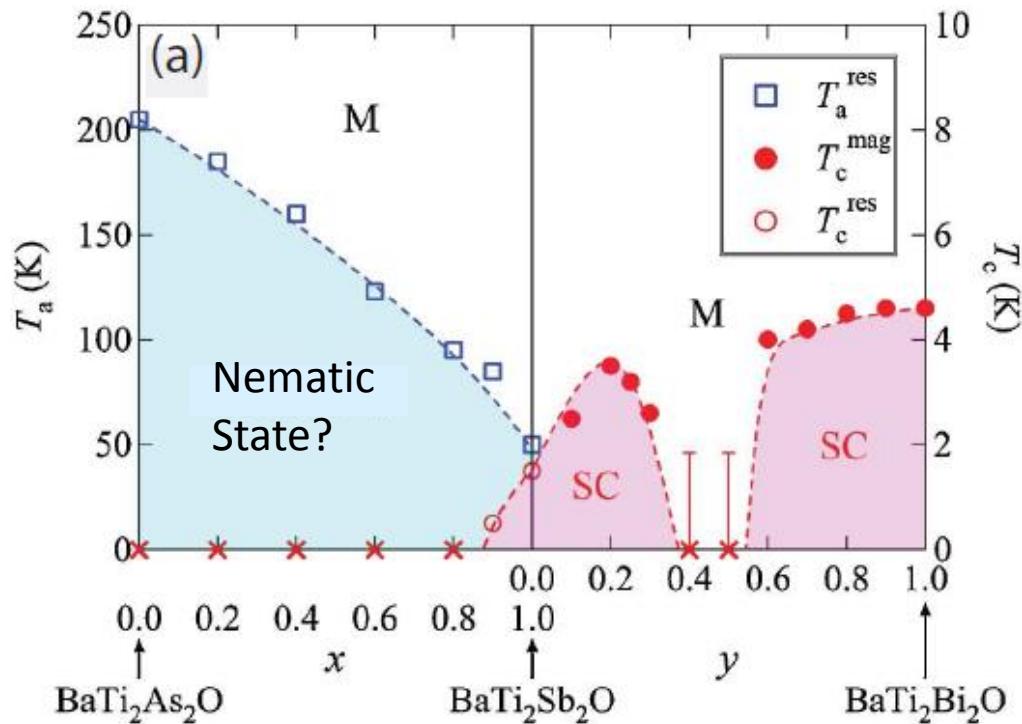
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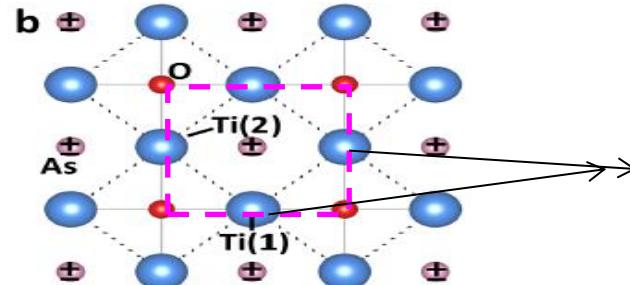
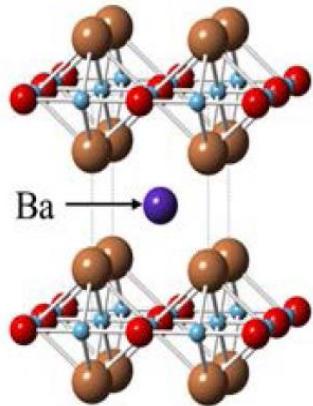


Different charge
filling

Superconductivity emerging from a nematic state?



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$K_2Cr_3As_3$

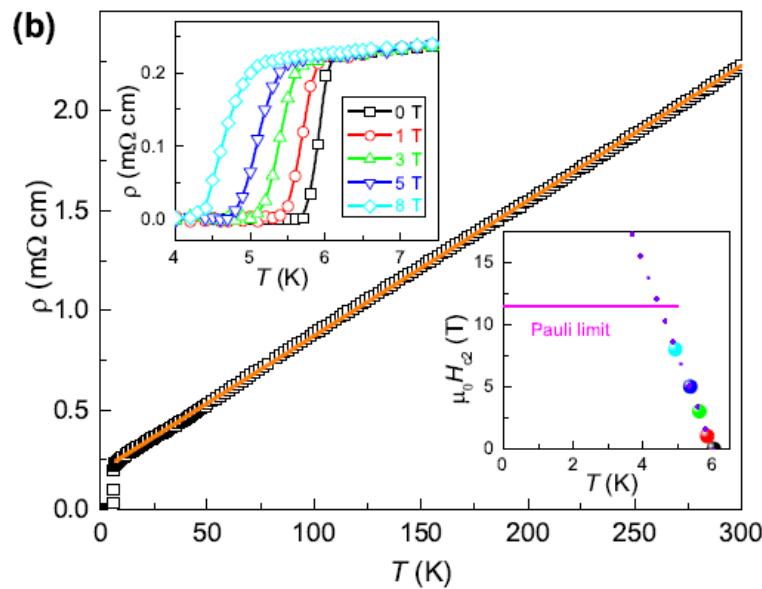
$T_c \sim 6.1$ K

$Rb_2Cr_3As_3$

$T_c \sim 4.8$ K

$Cs_2Cr_3As_3$

$T_c \sim 2.2$ K



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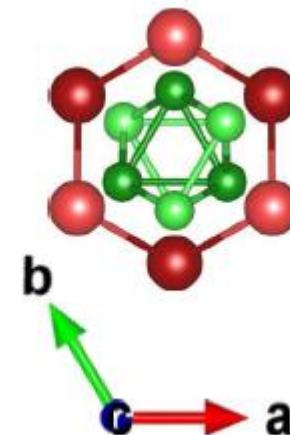
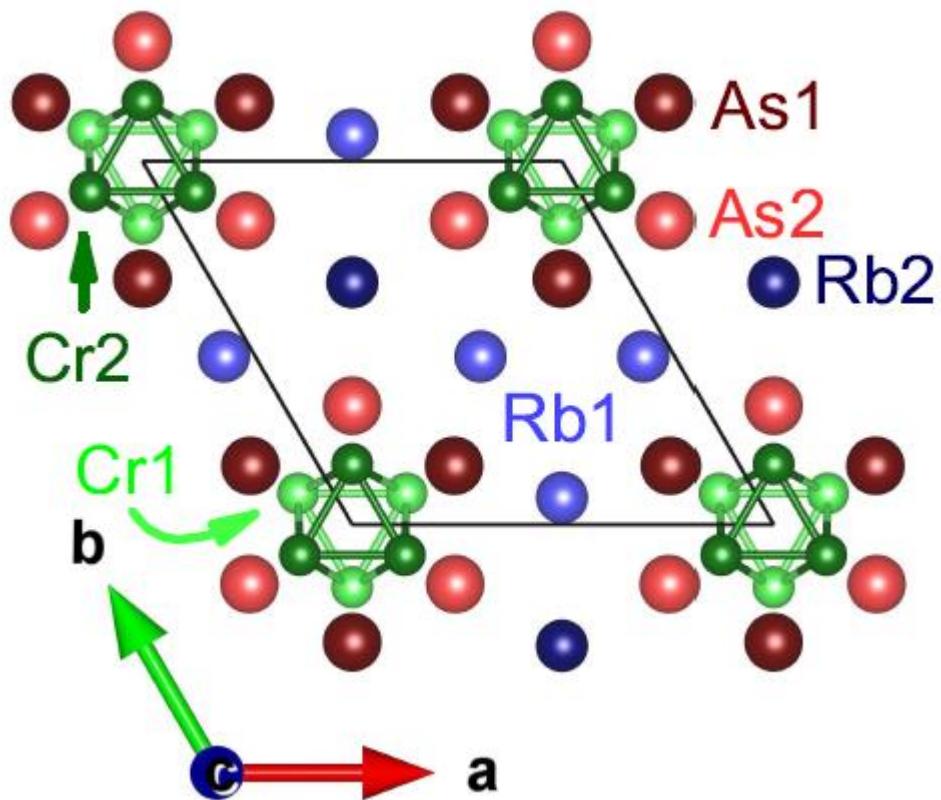
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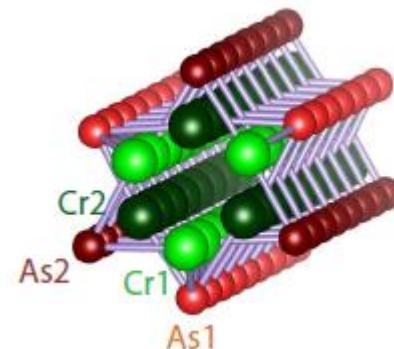
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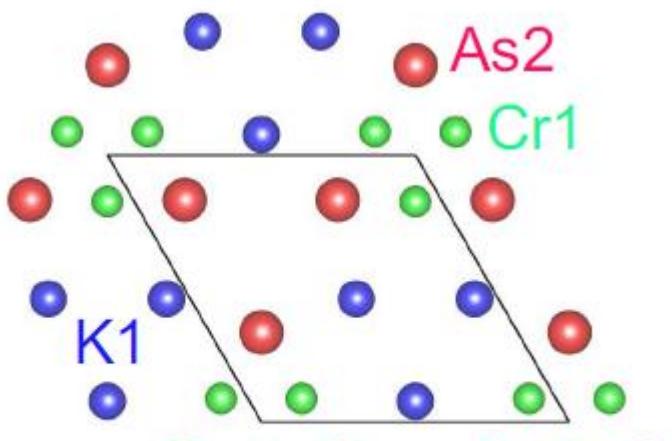


Double wall nanotubes
As (outer shell) Cr (inner shell)

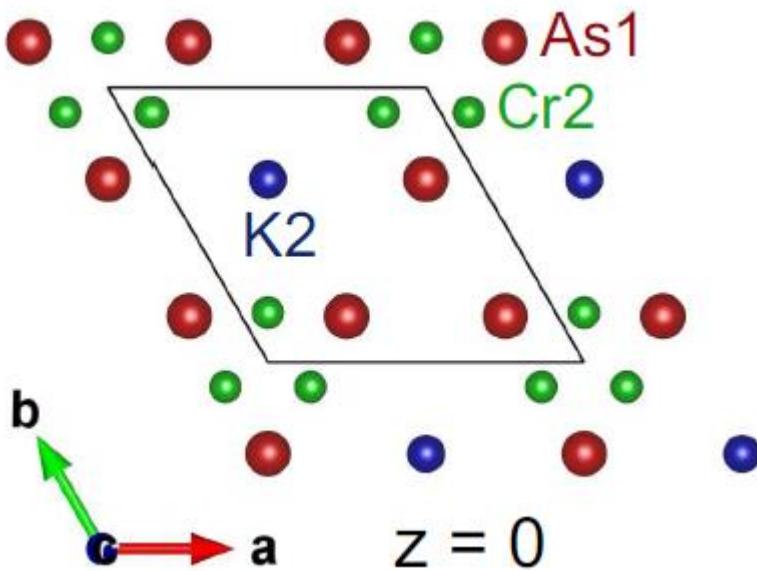
Quasi-1d lattice
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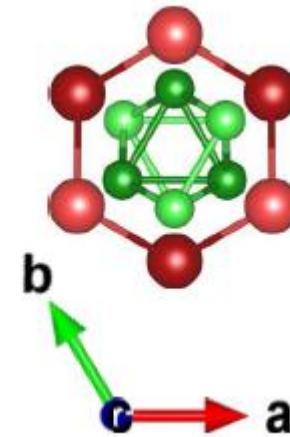
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$z = 0.5$



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Cr1
As2
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c

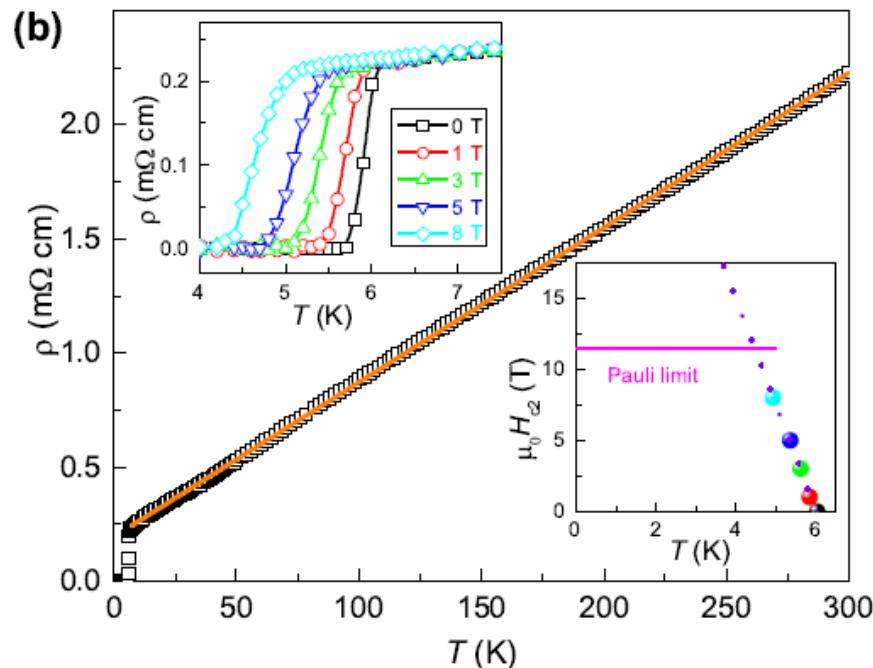
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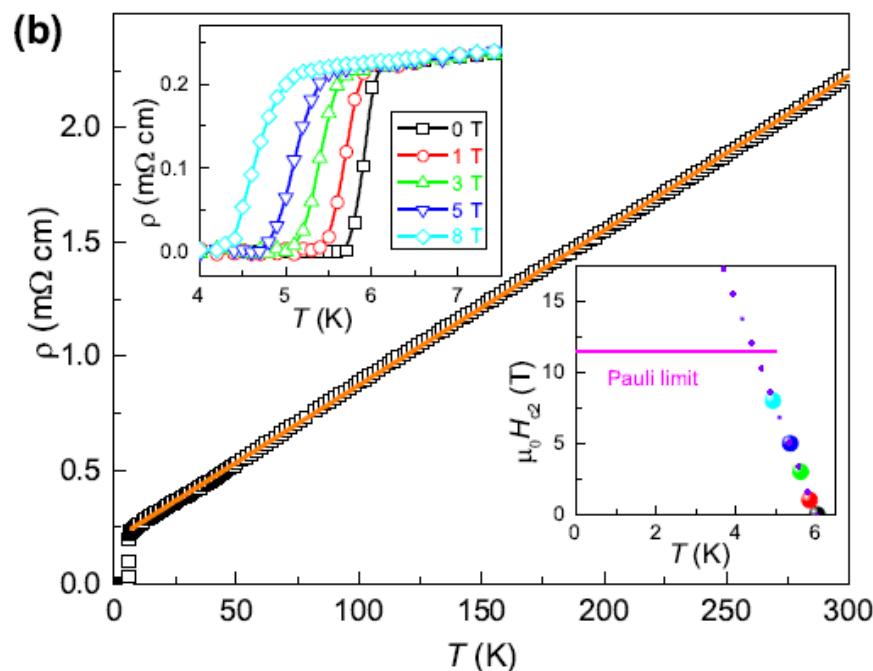
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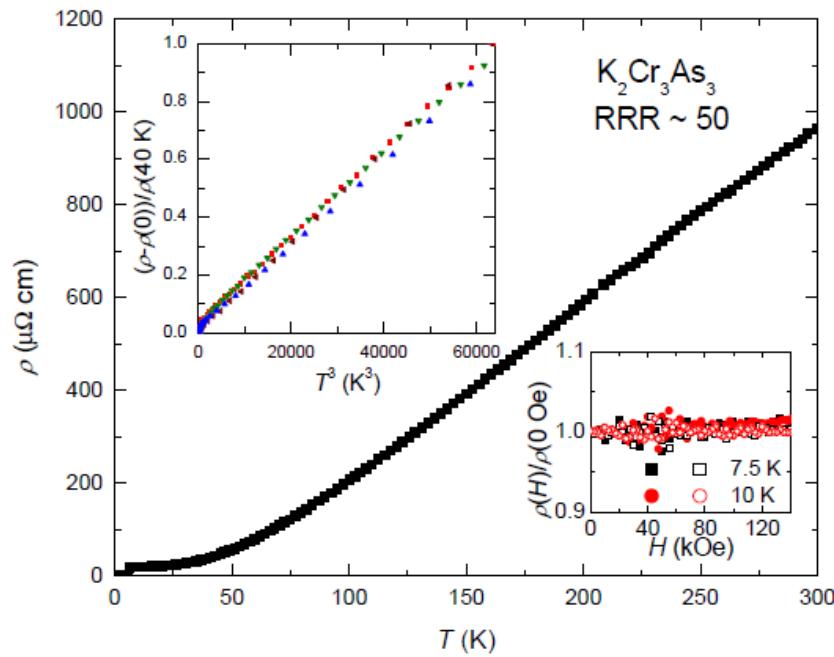
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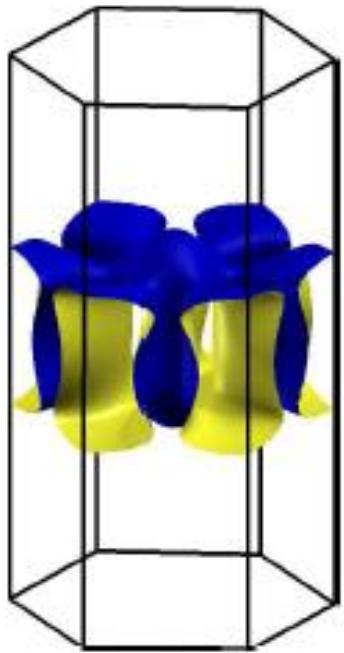
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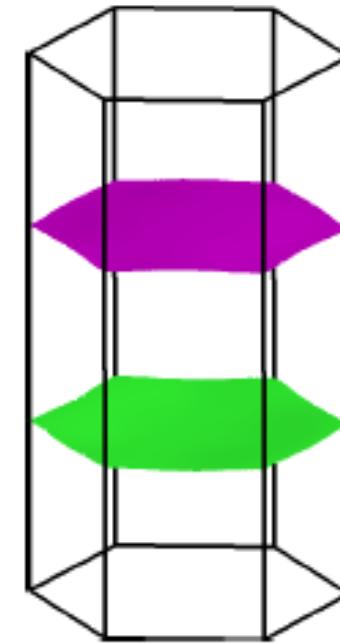
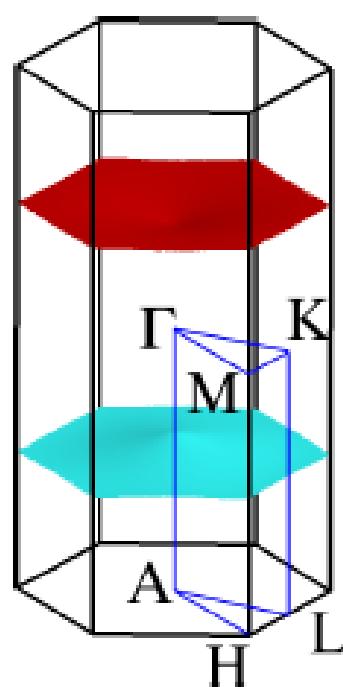
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3d Fermi pocket



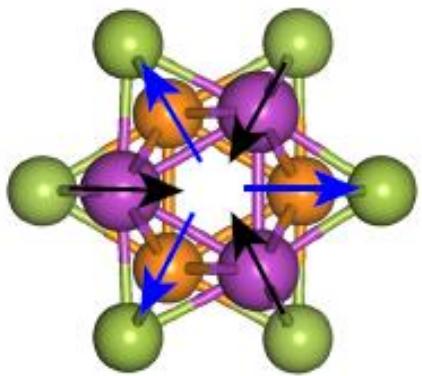
Large density of states

Quasi-1d Fermi pockets

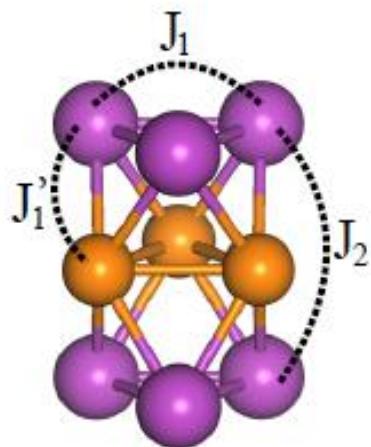


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Magnetic tendencies

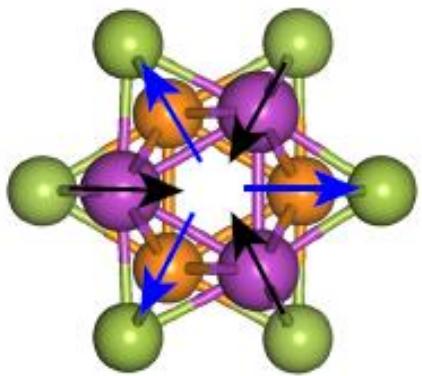


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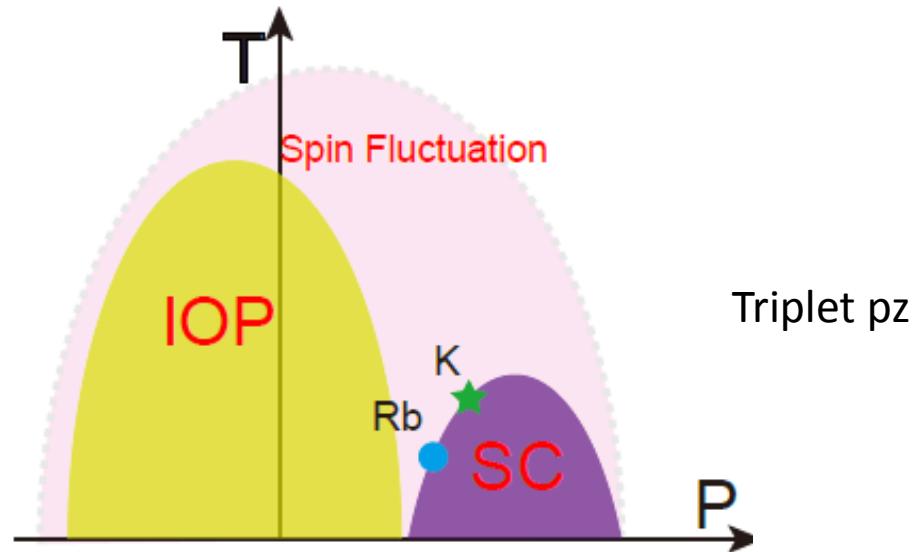
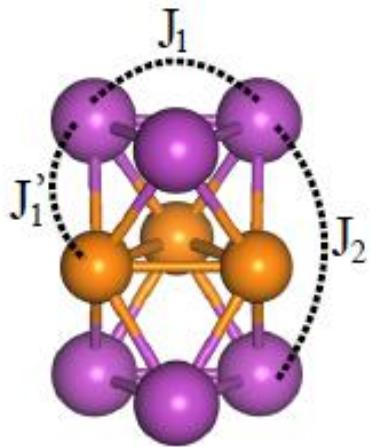


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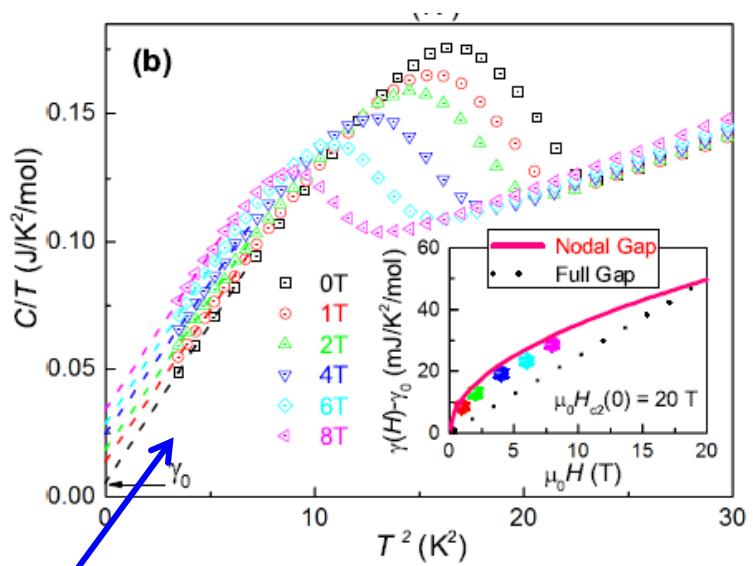
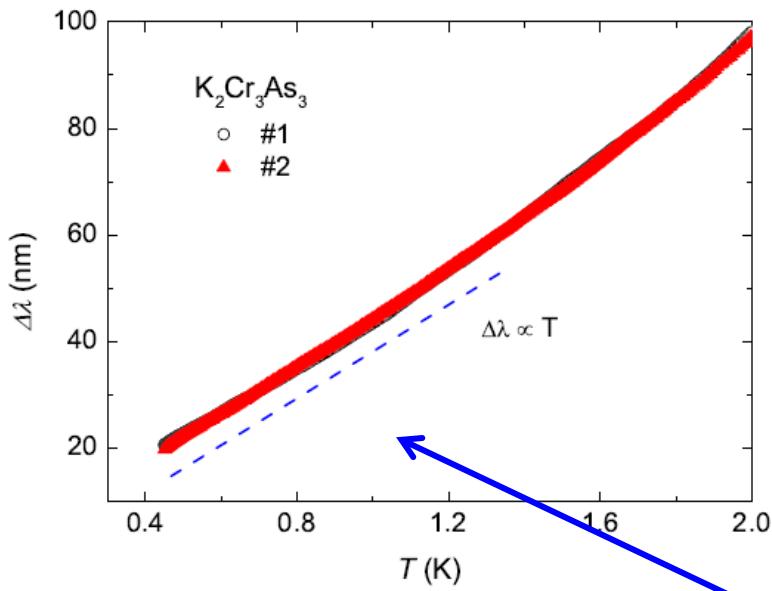
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Idea later supported by explicit calculations;; electron-phonon superconductivity also claimed

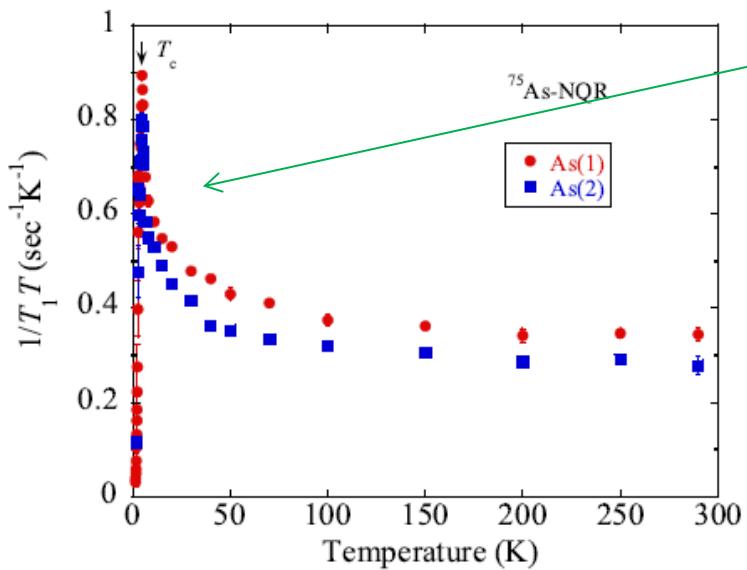
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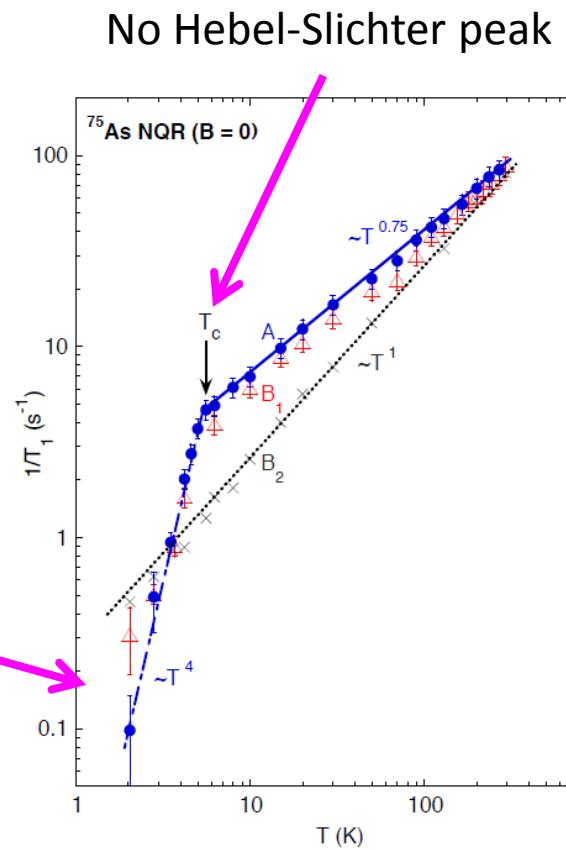
It seems consistent with the presence of line nodes.

Pang et al, arXiv:1501.01880

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Enhancement of magnetic fluctuations
Towards T_c



No exponential suppression at low T

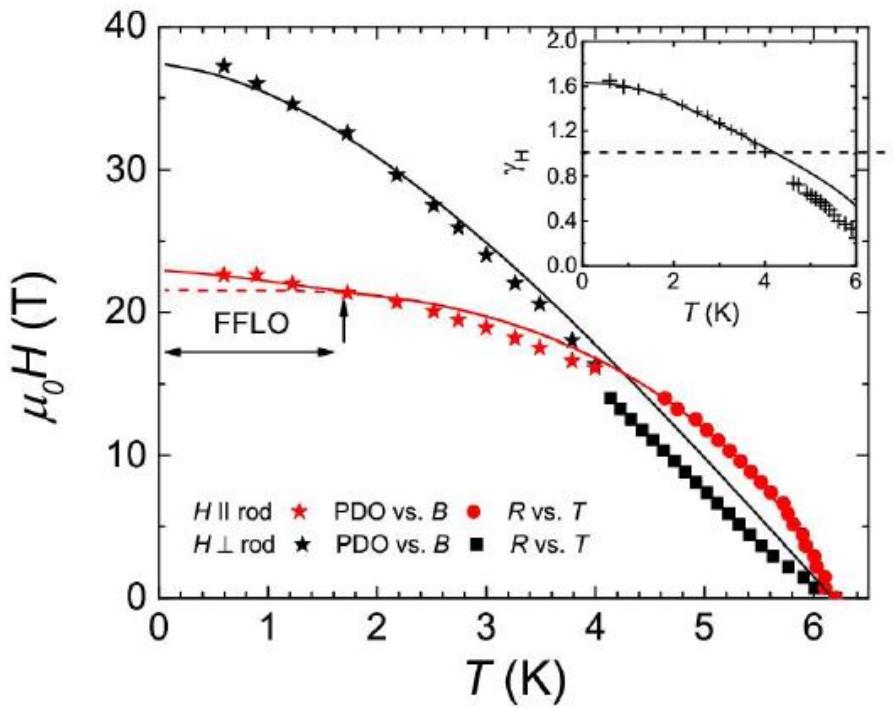
Zhi et al, arXiv:1505.05743

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Against triplet superconductivity

- Tc insensitive to impurities
- Hc parallel to the chains Pauli limited.
Hc perpendicular to the chains not Pauli limited.

Singlet pairing with
spins blocked along
the chain direction?



Talk G.Cao
Next week

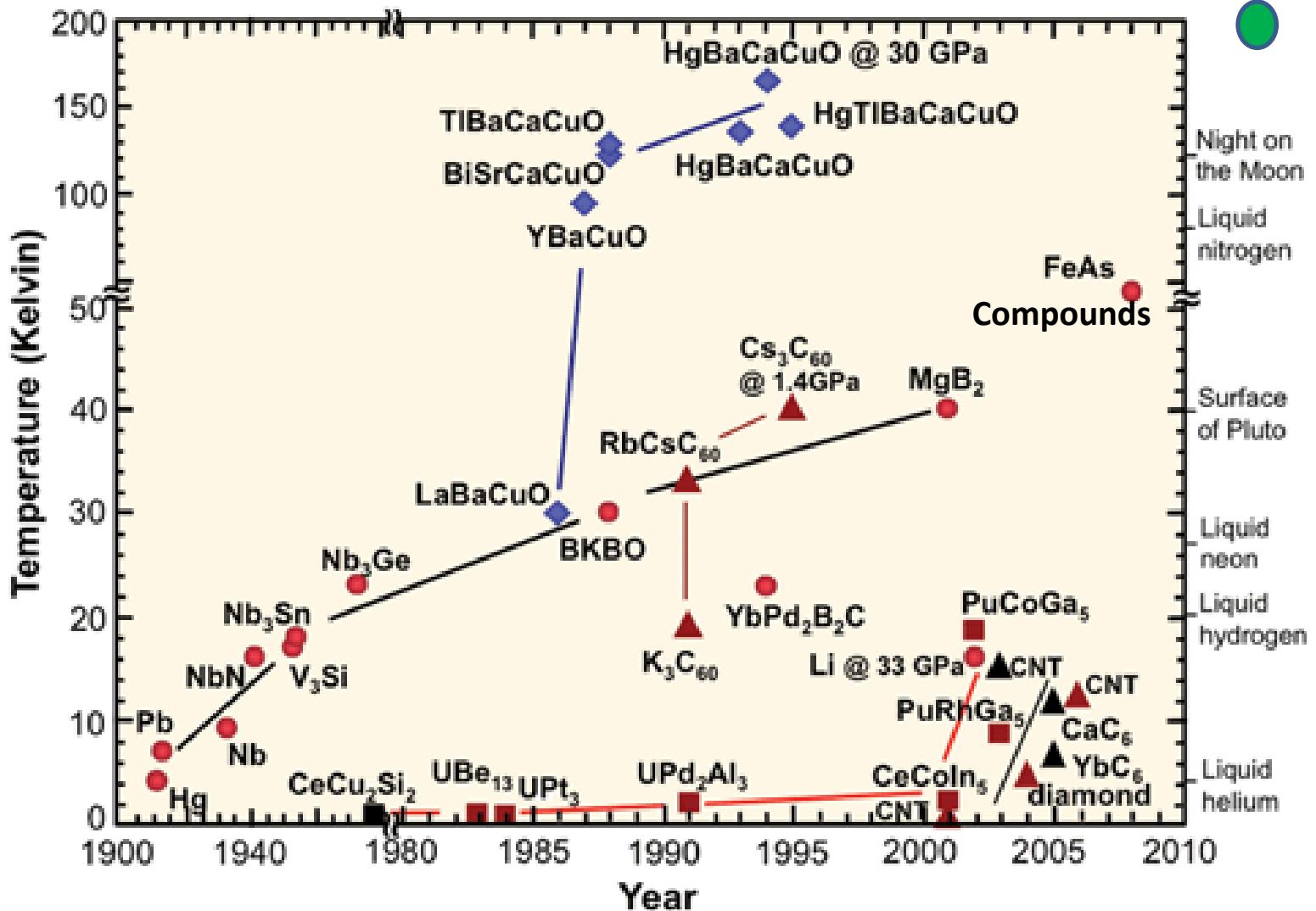


Fig: <http://www.ccas-web.org/superconductivity>

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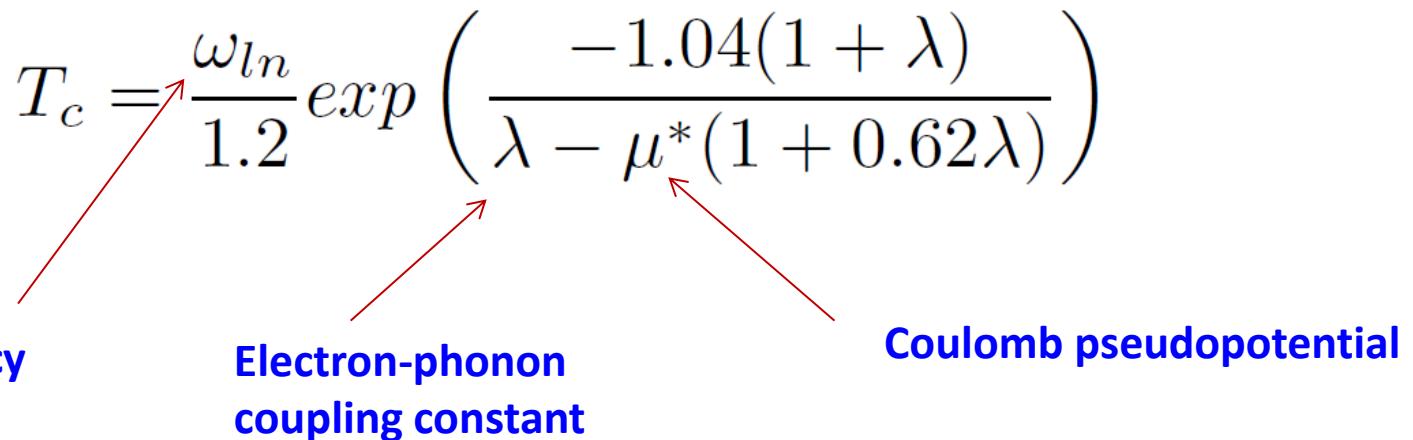
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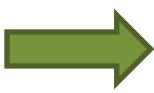
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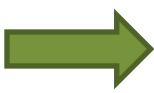


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P_{H-metal} ~ 400 GPa

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Städle & Martin, PRL 84, 6070 (2000)

Hydrogen-rich alloys: high-T_c superconductors?

Hydrogen-rich covalent hydrides



M: C, Si, Ge, Sn

group IV

- High frequency phonons (H-ions)
- Compensated semimetal with high density of states
- Wideband (μ^* favourable)
- Large electron-ion interactions (H-M)
- Low and large q- electron-phonon coupling

Possibility to tune T_c through M substitutions

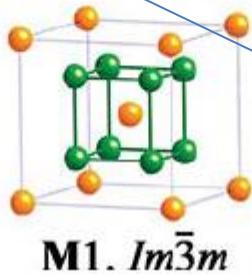
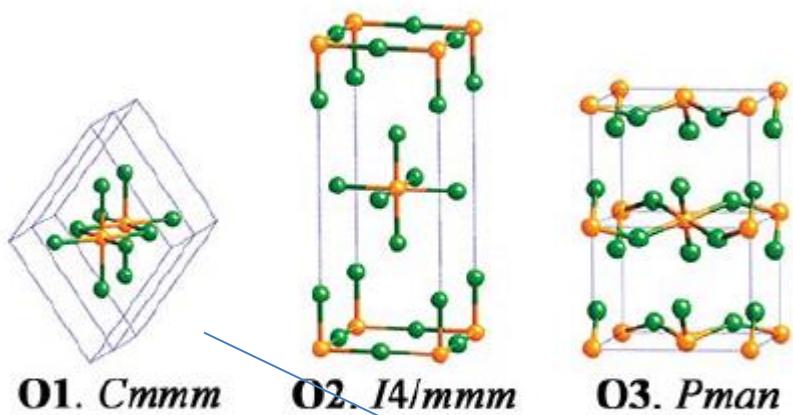
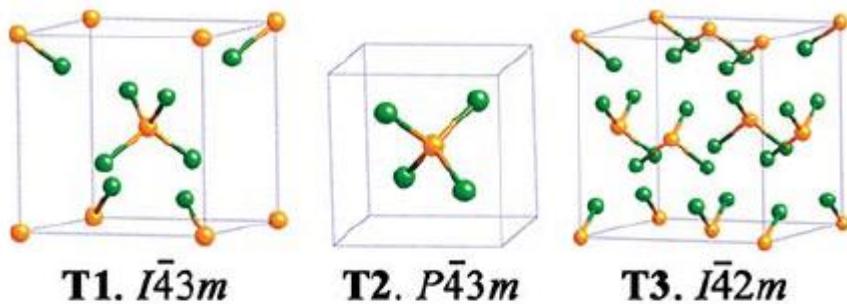


smaller P_{metal}

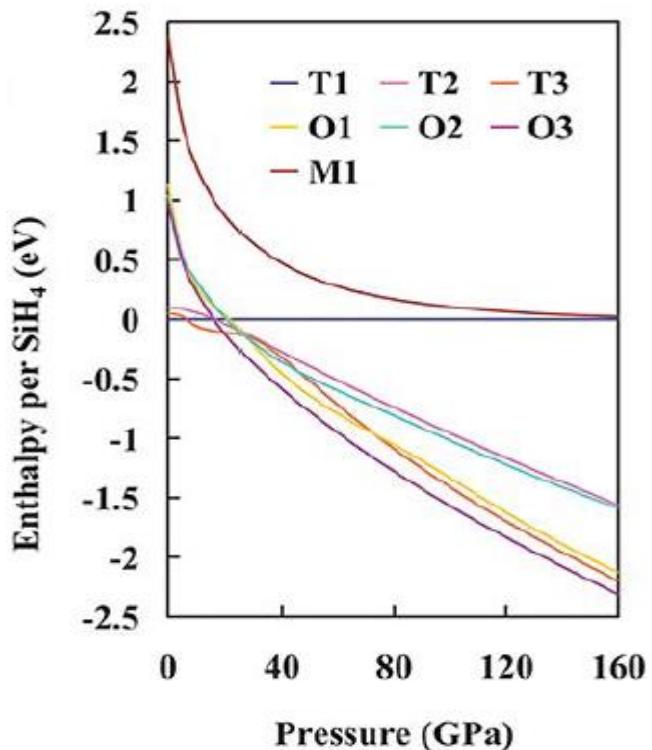
Aschroft, PRL 92, 187002 (2004)

Hydrogen-rich alloys: search for high-Tc superconductors

SiH_4 : stability of different phases



Low pressure phases:
Insulating molecular crystals



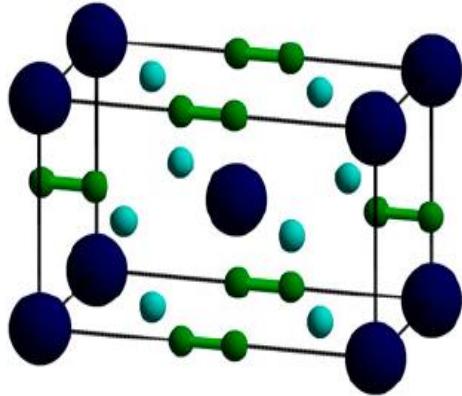
Compact metallic phases
at high pressure

Feng et al, PRL 96, 017006 (2006)

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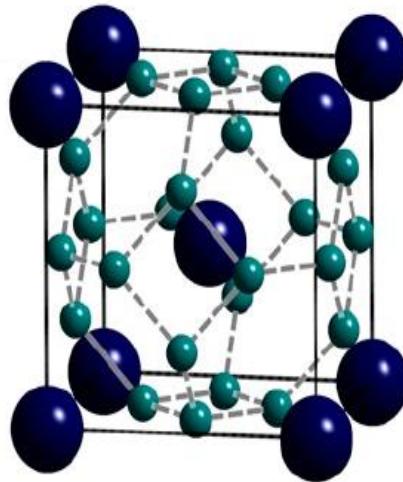
Ca_mH_n

stability of different compositions & structures as a function of pressure



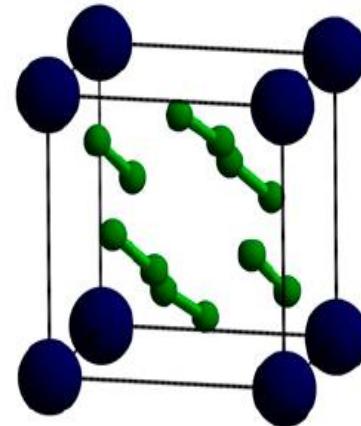
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CaH_4
50-200 GPa



cI14

CaH_6
150-200 GPa



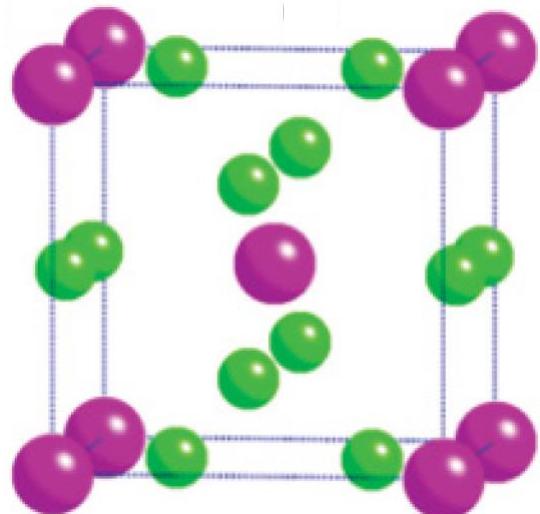
hR13

CaH_{12}
100-200 GPa

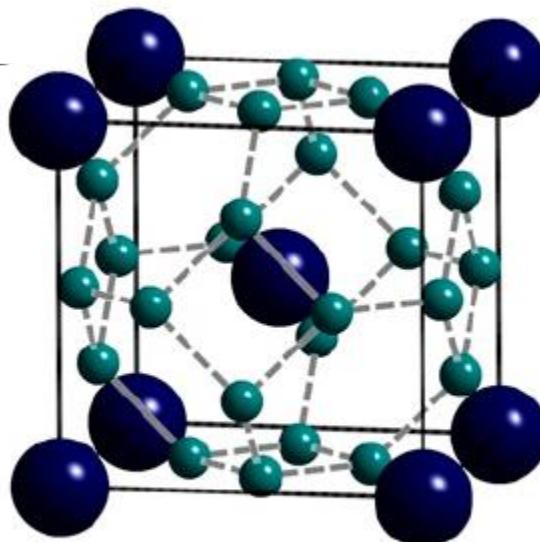
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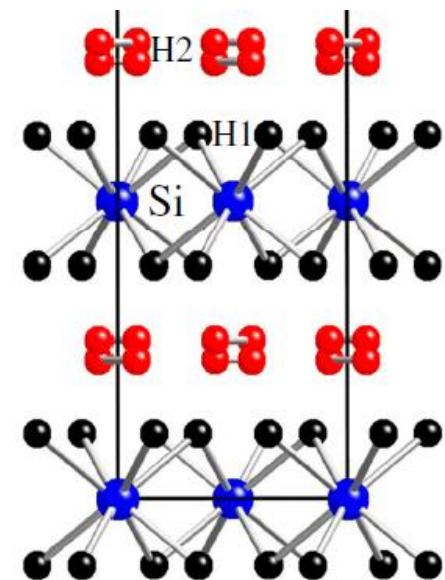
GaH_3



CaH_6



$\text{SiH}_4(\text{H}_2)_2$



$T_c \sim 80 \text{ K} @ 160 \text{ GPa}$

Gao et al, PRB 84,
06411 (2011)

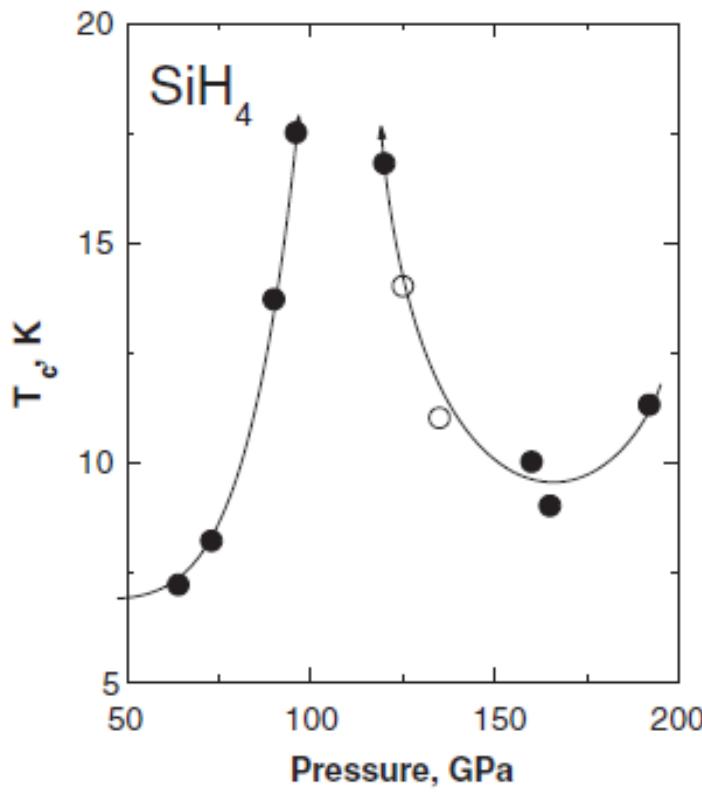
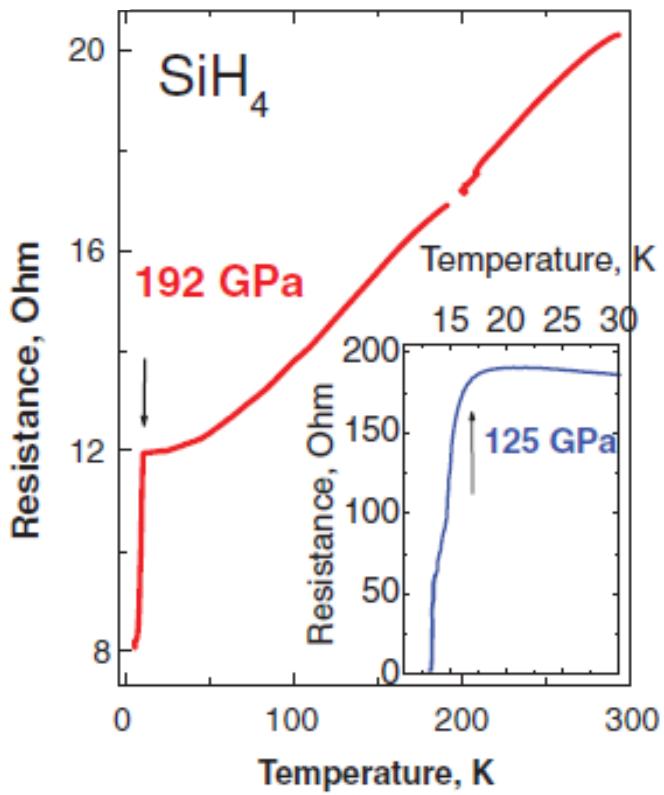
$T_c \sim 220 \text{ K} @ 150 \text{ GPa}$

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$T_c \sim 100 \text{ K} @ 250 \text{ GPa}$

Li et al, PNAS 107,
15708 (2010)

Superconductivity in SiH_4 under high-pressure



Eremets et al, Science 319, 1506 (2008)

Sulfur hydrides: search for high-Tc superconductors

H₂S under pressure

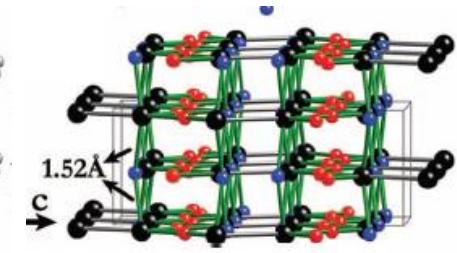
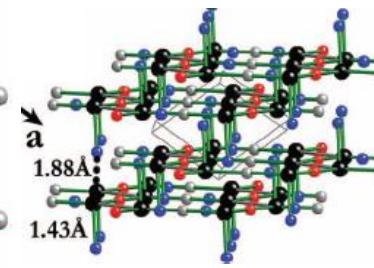
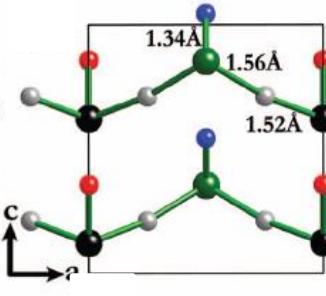
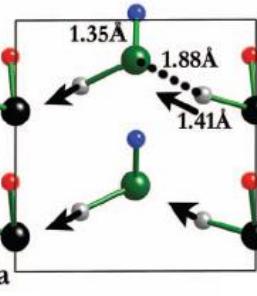
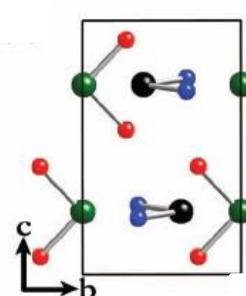
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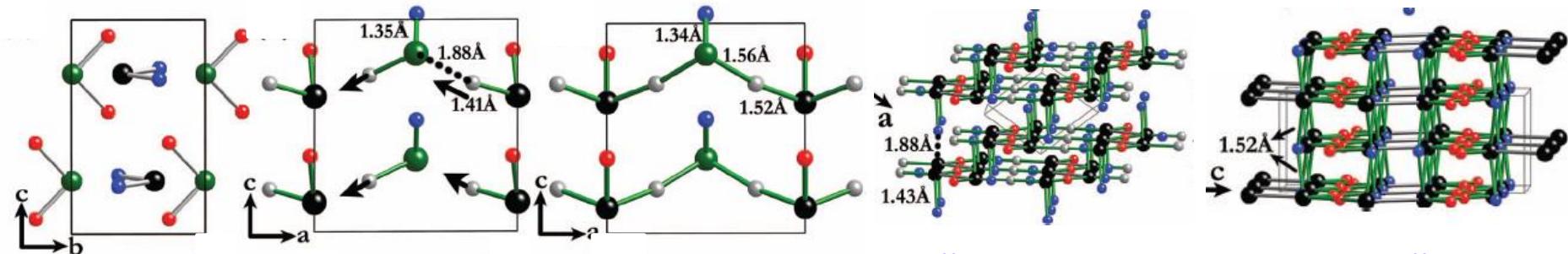
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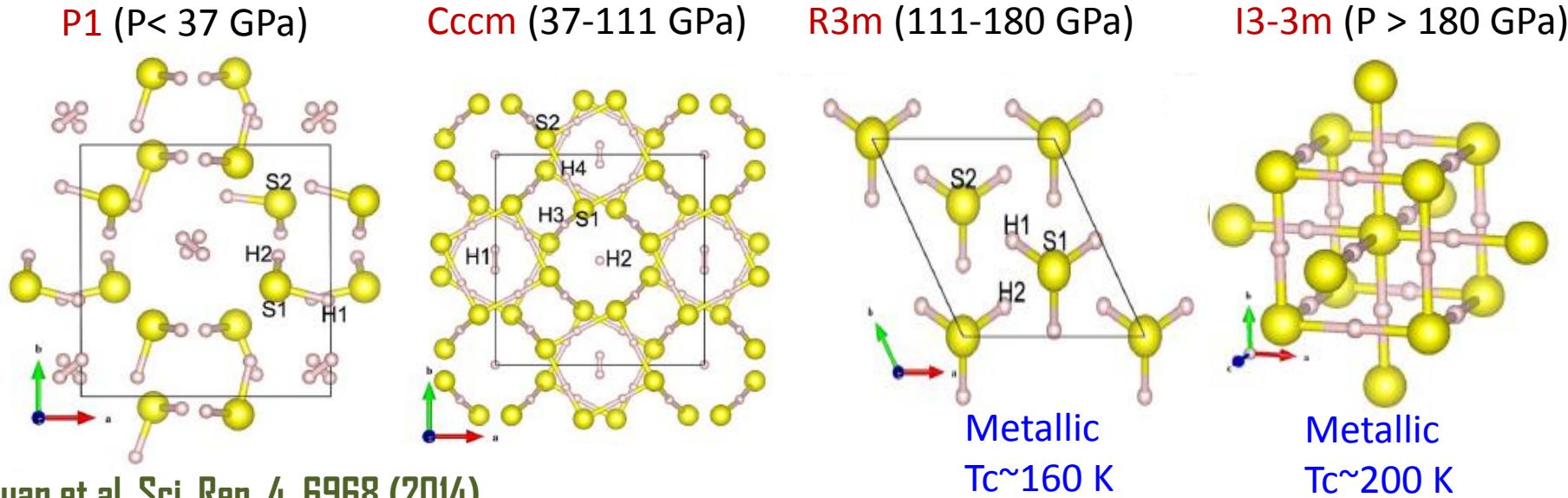


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(H₂S)₂H₂ under pressure → H₃S

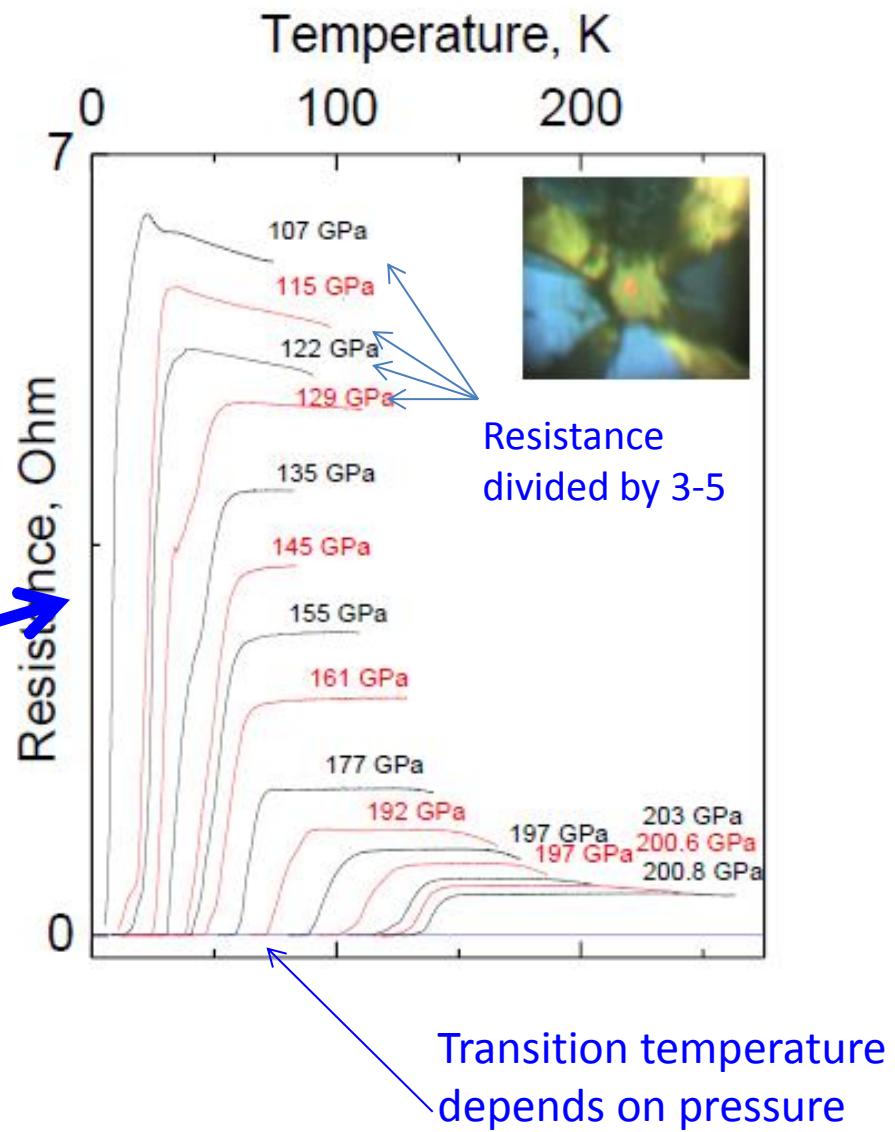


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H_2S under high-pressure

- In electrical measurements it starts to conduct at $P \sim 50$ GPa
- At 90-100 GPa further drop in resistance.

Sharp drop in resistance with cooling at “ T_c ” .

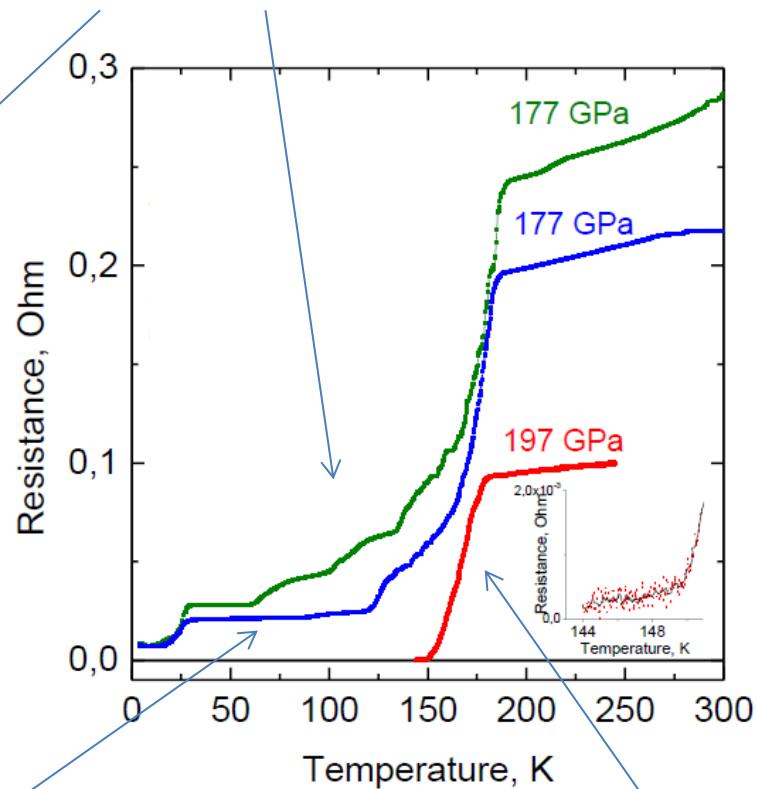
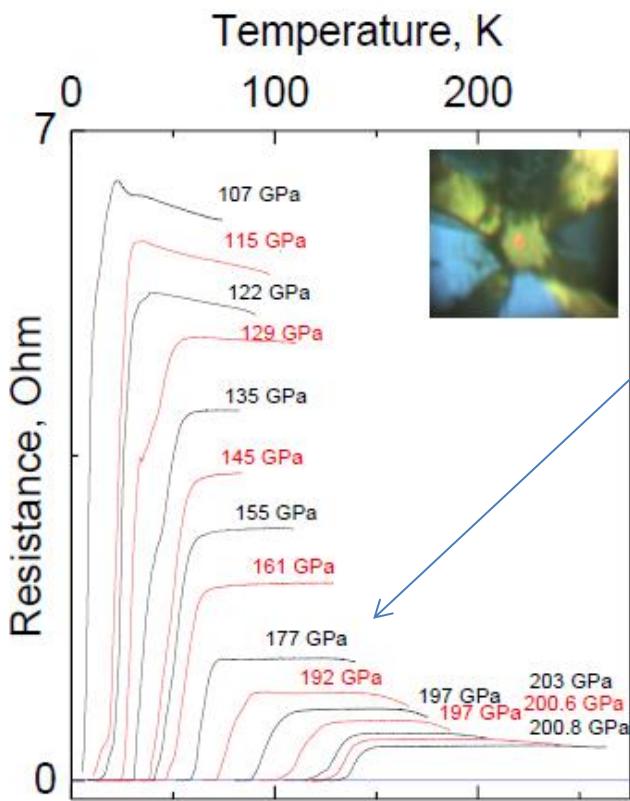


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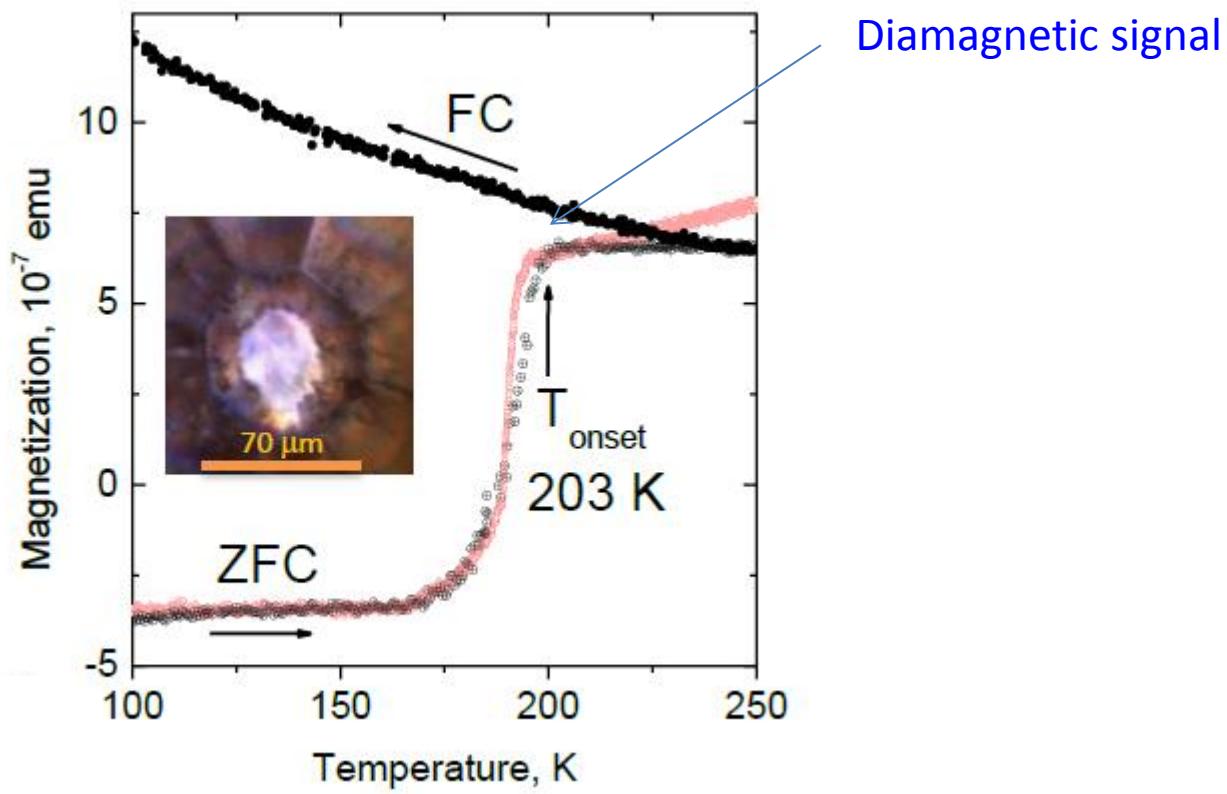
The transition temperature depends on the route followed to reach the Pressure & Temperature conditions



Temporary steps
appear in some curves

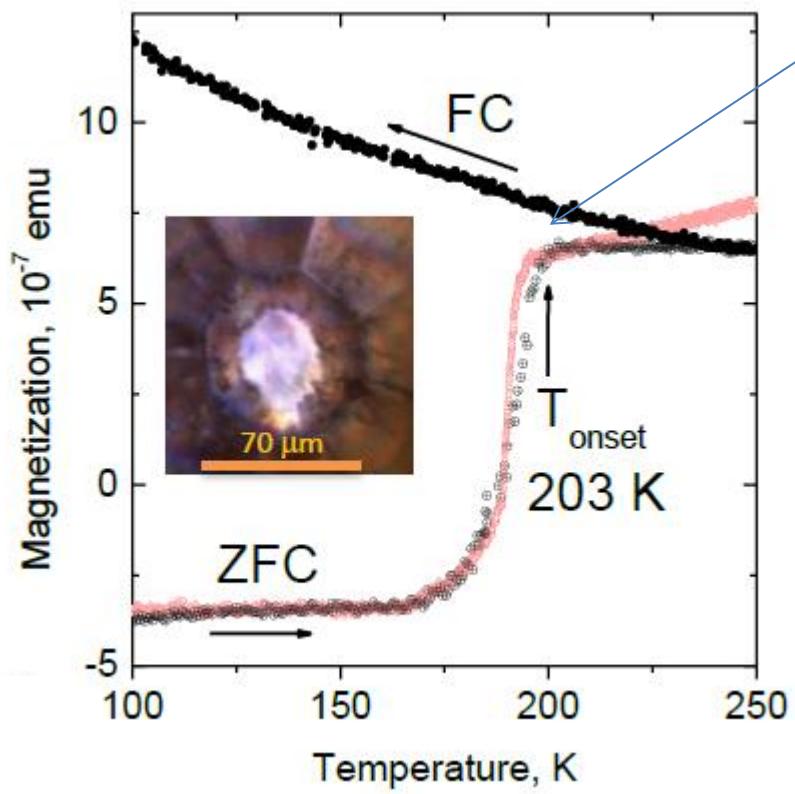
Broad transitions

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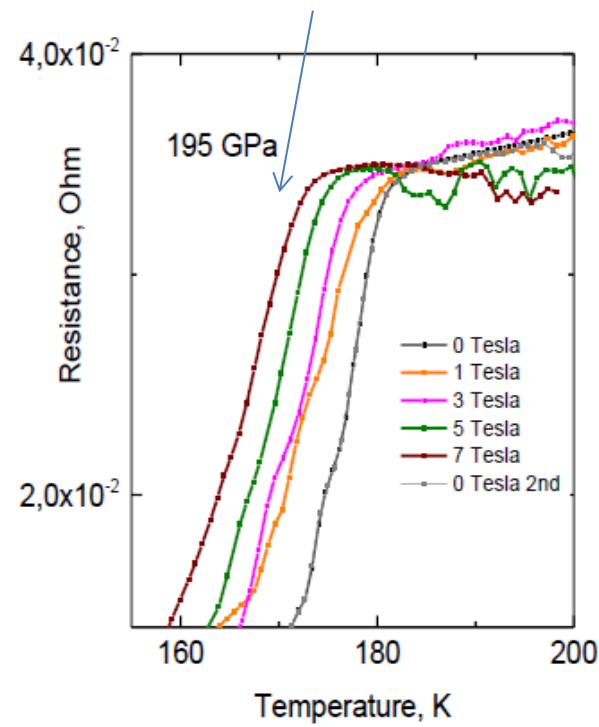


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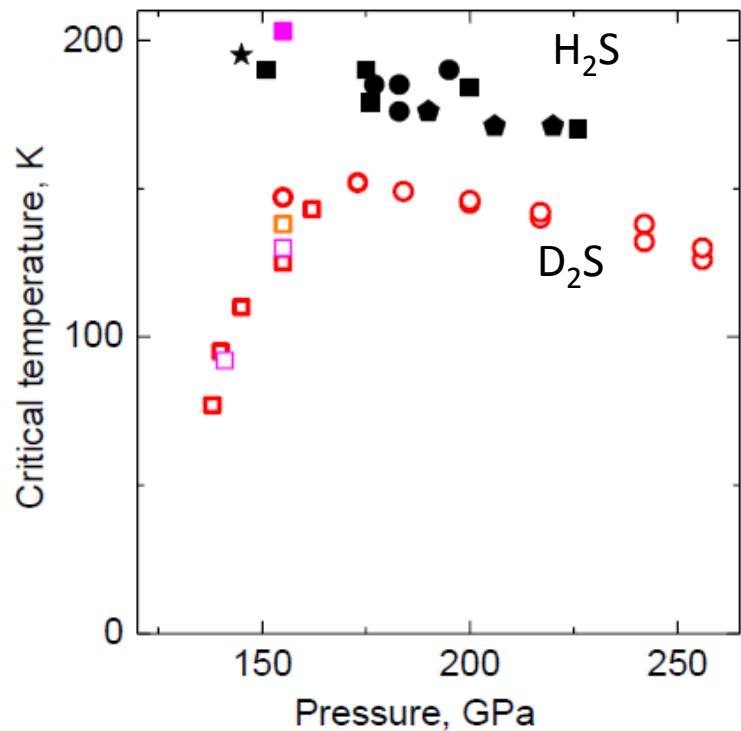
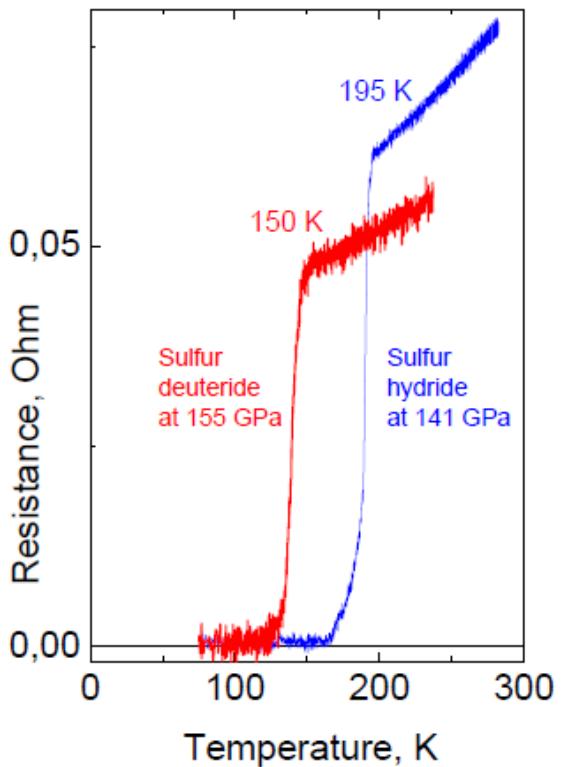
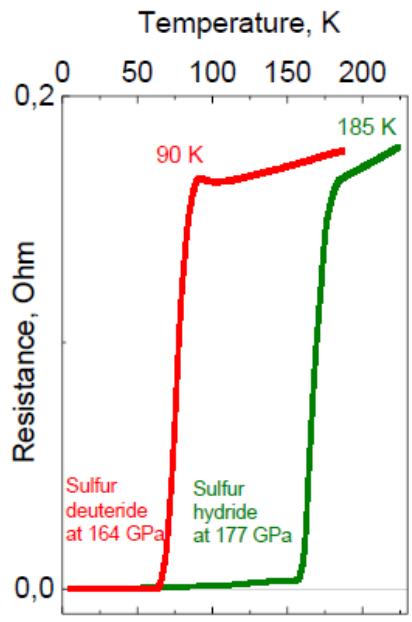
Transition temperature reduced with magnetic field



H_2S under high-pressure

Isotope effect

Annealed samples

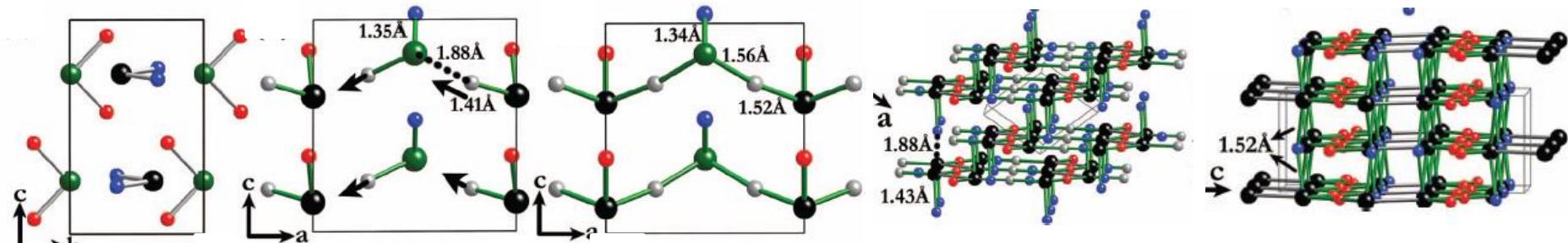


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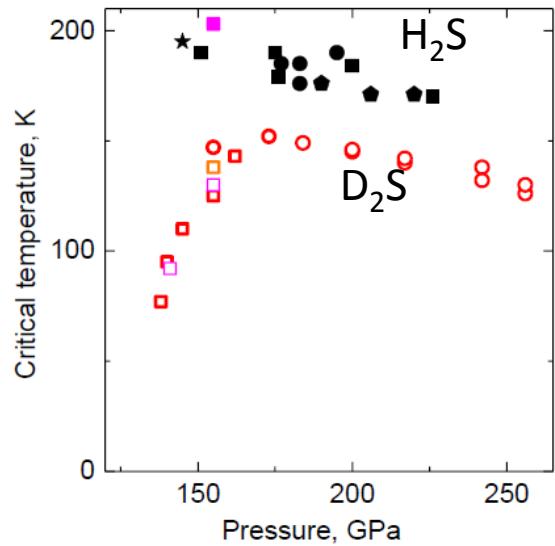
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H_2S under high-pressure

Stability of H_2S under pressure revisited

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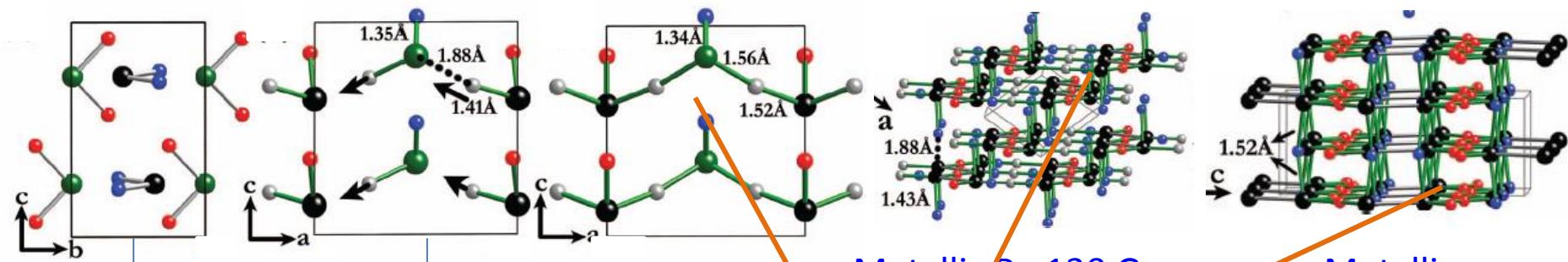


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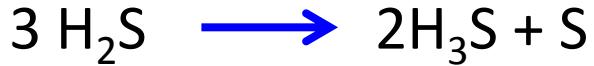
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Not stable

Decomposition
@ 50 GPa

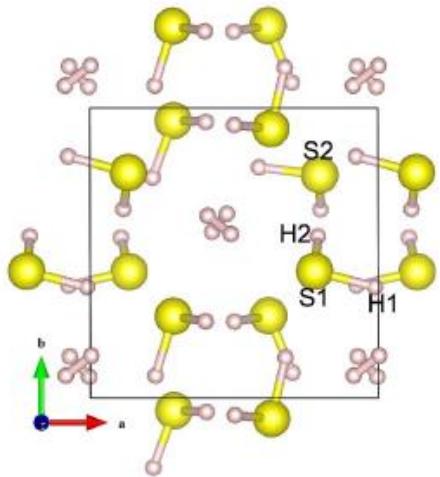


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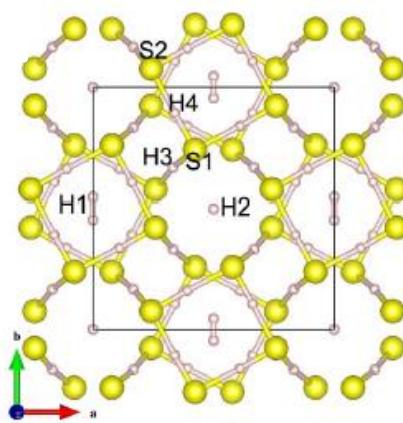
H_3S under high-pressure

$(\text{H}_2\text{S})_2\text{H}_2$ under pressure $\longrightarrow \text{H}_3\text{S}$

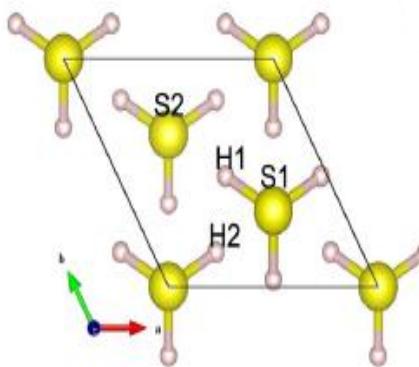
P1 ($P < 37$ GPa)



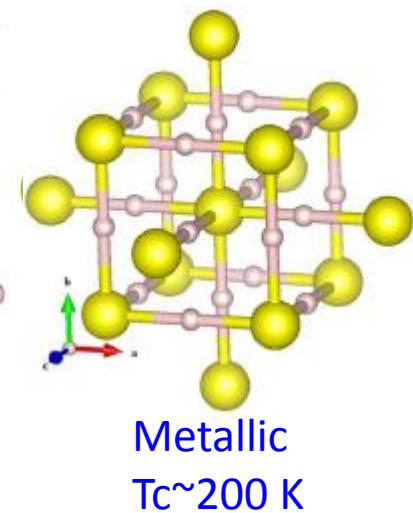
Cccm (37-111 GPa)



R3m (111-180 GPa)



I3-3m ($P > 180$ GPa)



H_3S under high-pressure: Calculations revisited

Different approximations/ab-initio codes

- $T_c \sim 150\text{-}250 \text{ K} @ 200 \text{ Gpa}$

$$\lambda \sim 1.6\text{-}2.64$$

$$\omega_{ln} \sim 1160\text{-}1500 \text{ K}$$

$$\mu^* \sim 0.1\text{-}0.16$$

$$T_c = \frac{\omega_{ln}}{1.2} \exp \left(\frac{-1.04(1 + \lambda)}{\lambda - \mu^*(1 + 0.62\lambda)} \right)$$

- Large e-ph coupling: covalent bonds

- Strongly anharmonic

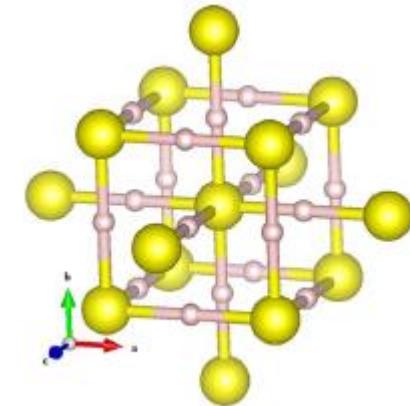
$$(\lambda: 2.64 \rightarrow 1.84, T_c: 250\text{K} \rightarrow 194 \text{ K})$$

$$\text{Isotope effect } T_c \sim M^{-\alpha} \quad \alpha: 0.5 \rightarrow 0.35$$

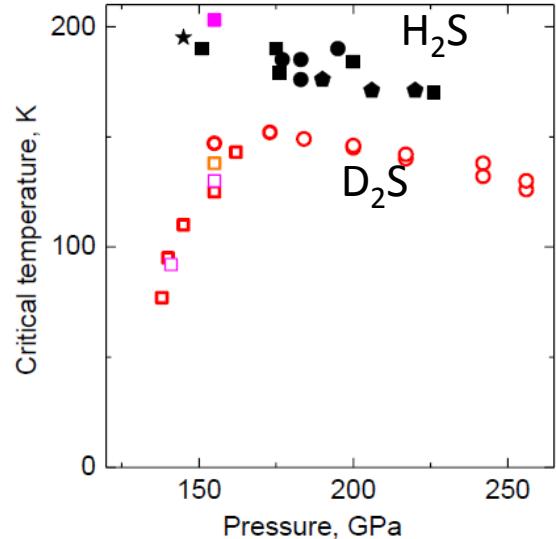
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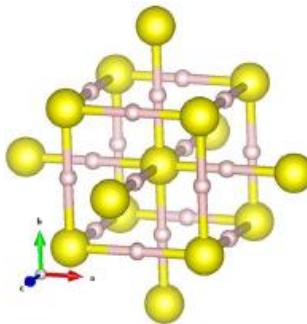
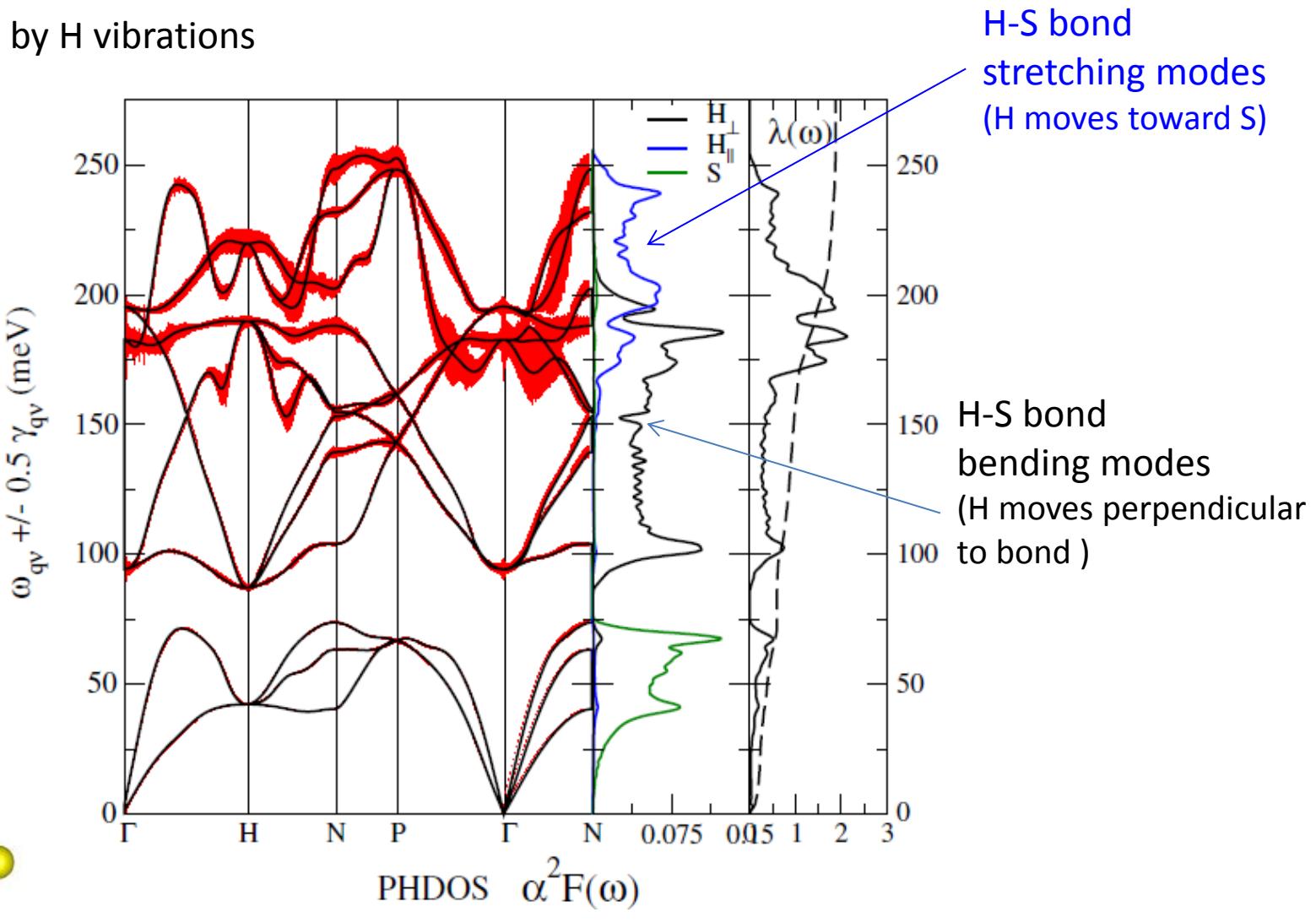
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H_3S under high-pressure

Role played by H vibrations



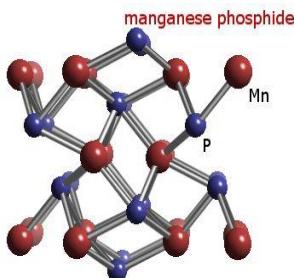
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Prospects for new high-Tc superconductors

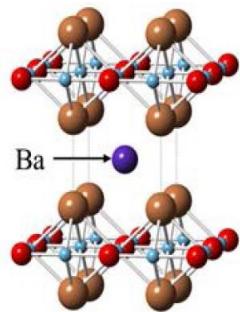
Material	Tc	Ref.
H ₂ Br	10 K @ 240 GPa	Duan et al, arXiv: 1504.01196
PtH	16 K @ 100 GPa	Szcesniak-Zemla, arXiv 1504.01349
H ₄ I	13.7 K @ 150 GPa	Shamp & Zurek, arXiv:1507.02616
HSe	39 K @ 250 GPa	Zhang et al, arXiv:1502.02607
PoH ₄	41.1 K @ 200 GPa	Liu et al, 1503.08587
GeH ₄ (H ₂) ₂	80 K @ 250 GPa	J. Phys. Chem. C 116, 5225 (2012).
GaH ₃	80 K @ 160 GPa	Gao et al, PRB 84, 06411 (2011)
SiH ₄ (H ₂) ₂	100 K @ 250 GPa	Li et al, PNAS 107, 15708 (2010)
H ₄ Te	104 K @ 170 GPa	Zhong et al, 1503.00396
H ₃ Se	116 K @ 200 GPa	Zhang et al, arXiv:1502.02607
GeH ₃	140 K @ 180 GPa	Abe & Aschroft. PRB 88, 174110 (2013).
H ₃ O _{0.5} S _{0.5}	164 K	Heil-Boeri, arXiv:1507.02522
CaH ₆	235 K @150 GPa	Wang et al, PNAS 109, 6463 (2012)

New perspectives in superconductors

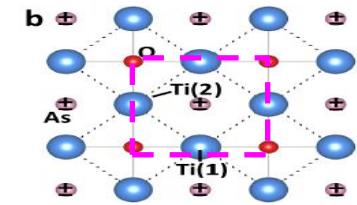
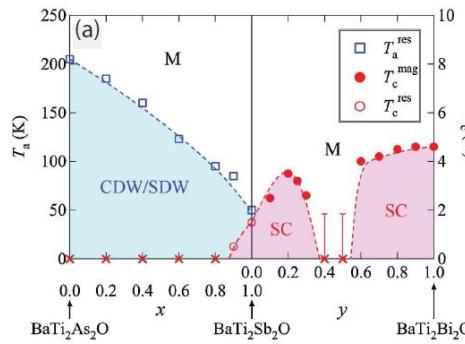
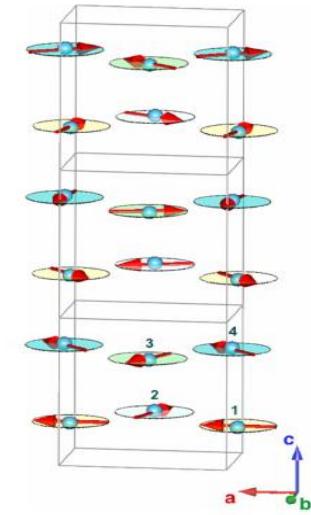
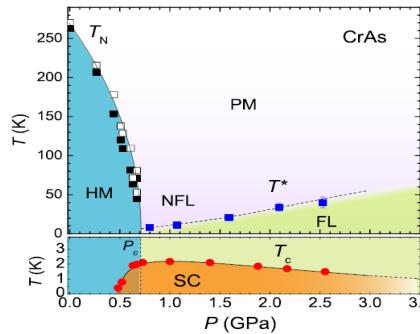
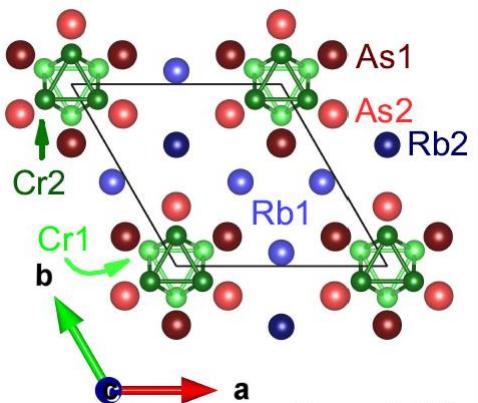
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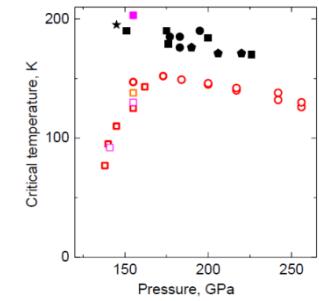
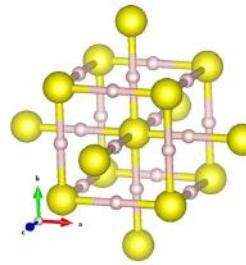
- Titanium oxypnictides, superconductivity could emerge from a nematic state



- Quasi-1d A₂Cr₃As₃
Triplet SC or Singlet with spin blocking?



- H₂S under pressure Possible record of T_c Electron-phonon superconductor



New perspectives in superconductors

- Many other recently discovered superconductors: $Zr_5Sb_{3-x}Ru_x$, $Ta_4Pd_3Te_{16}$, doped ferromagnetic semiconductor SmN, thermoelectric $CsPb_xBi_{4-x}Te_6$, BiS_2 layered materials,
- Dichalcogenides: metallic $NbSe_2$, ... (CDW revisited, single layer), semiconducting MoS_2 ... (superconductivity in gated single layer or high pressure)
 WTe_2 (SC under pressure suppressing magnetoresistance)
- Strong activity in iron superconductors, cuprates, fullerenes, heavy fermions

M. Capone, N. Hussey, Yakovenko talk

- Superconductivity in heterostructures
- Topological superconductivity and search for Majorana Fermions

J. Alicea, E.A Kim talk