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**IX TRIESTE WORKSHOP ON
OPEN PROBLEMS IN
STRONGLY CORRELATED SYSTEMS**

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**A NEW PHASE TRANSITION IN THE
SUPERCONDUCTING STATE OF Bi 2212 DETECTED
BY THE QUASI-PARTICLE HEAT CURRENT**

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These are preliminary lecture notes, intended only for distribution to participants.

Quasi - Particle Heat Current in Field

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- Coherence

clean • Thermal Hall effect K_{xy} in YBCO

dirty • K_{xx} vs B in LaSrCuO

Decoherence

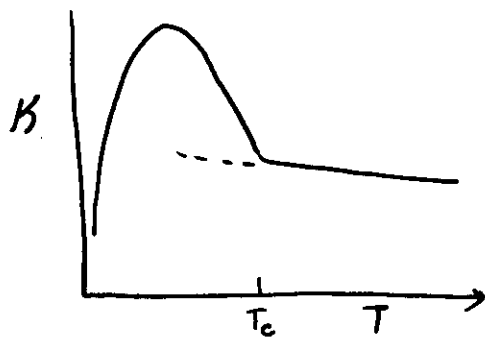
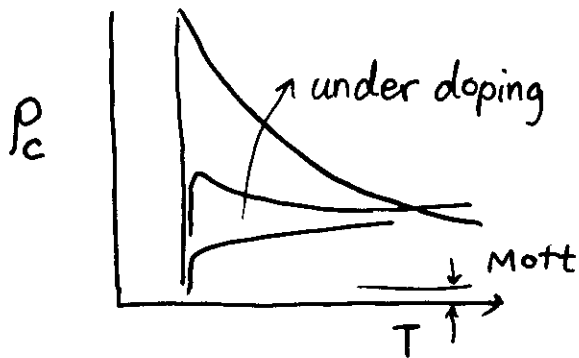
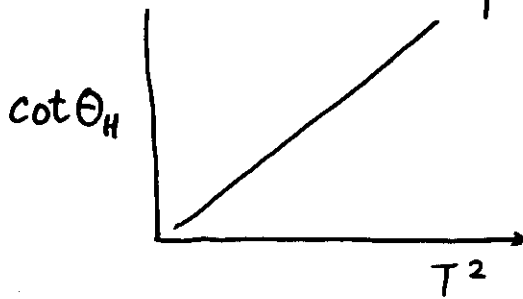
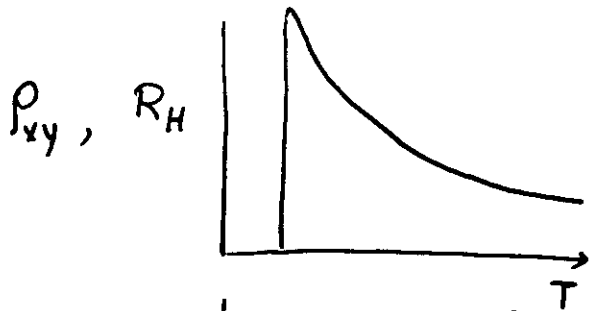
2D limit • K_{xx} vs B in Bi 2212

Plateau $\leftrightarrow$ a new state?

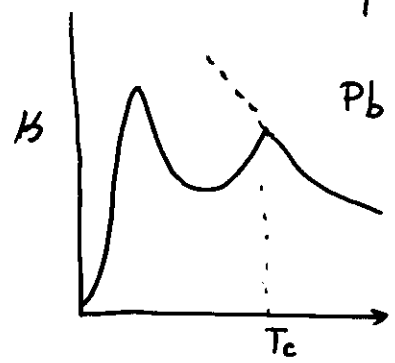
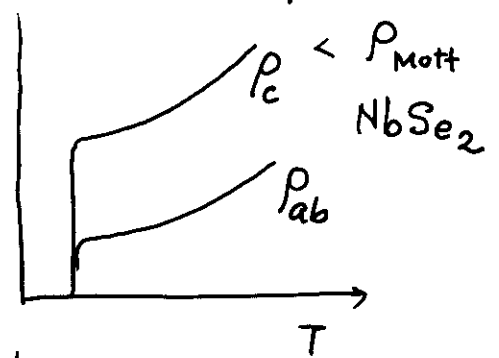
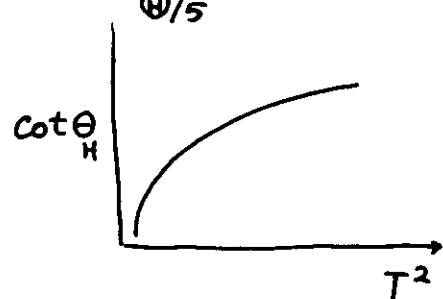
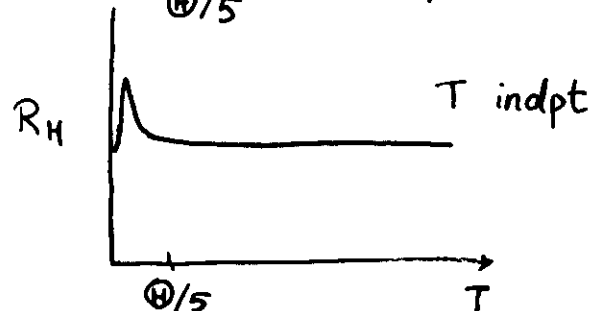
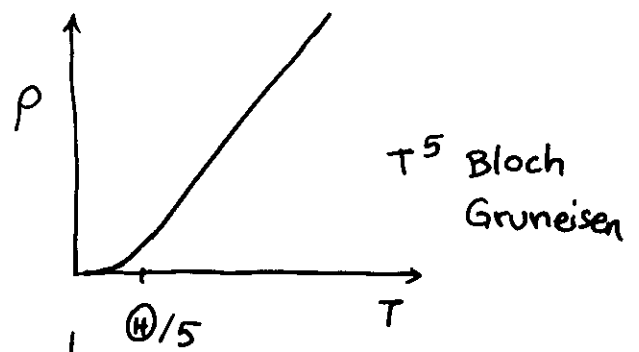
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Transport Anomalies in Cuprates

Cuprates

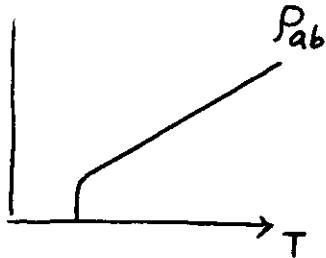


Convent.ⁿ Metals



Recovery of coherence

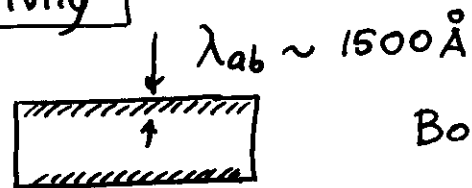
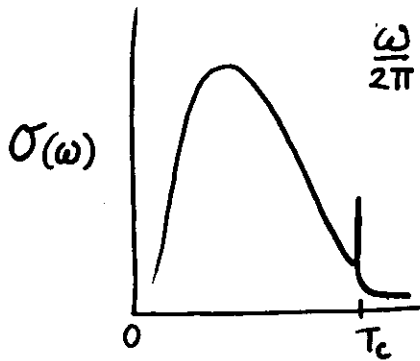
Above T_c , scattg. of charge is intense.



$$\frac{\hbar}{\tau_{tr}} \sim 2kT \quad \tau_{tr} \sim 25 \text{ fs, YBCO}_7$$

$$k_F l \sim 35, \quad l \sim 60 \text{ \AA at } 100 \text{ K}$$

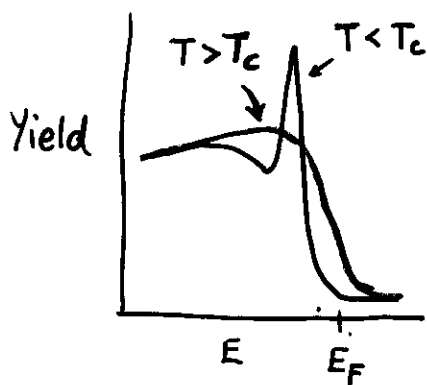
① Microw. conductivity



Bonn, Hardy

Microwave abs. $\rightarrow \sigma(\omega) = n_{qp}(T) \frac{e^2 \tau_{tr}}{m}$

est. $\tau_{tr} \sim 2-4 \text{ ps at } 4.2 \text{ K}$

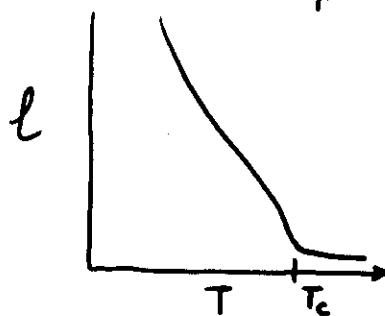


② ARPES spectrum

Bi 2212

Shen, Dessau...

Sharp QP peak at 20 K



③ QP mean free path in YBCO₇

from thermal Hall

Krishana

K_{xy}

QP lifetime & mfp

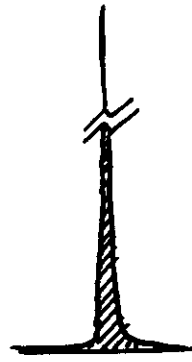
Spectral weight



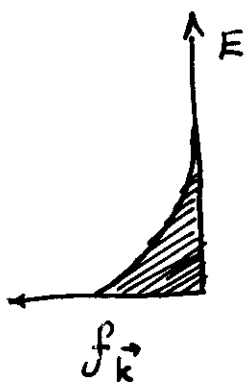
100 K



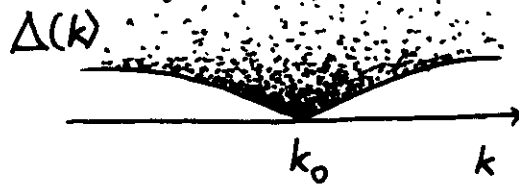
80 K



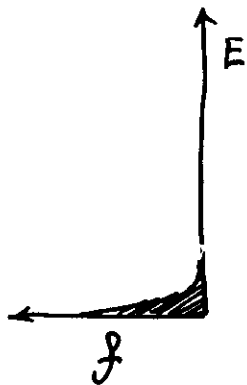
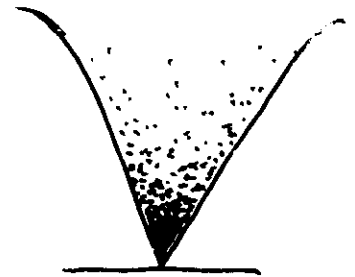
20 K



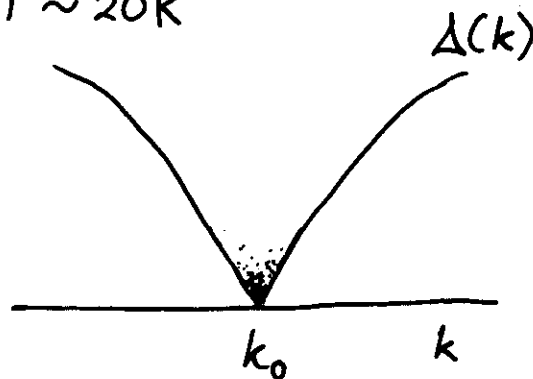
$T \sim 85 \text{ K}$



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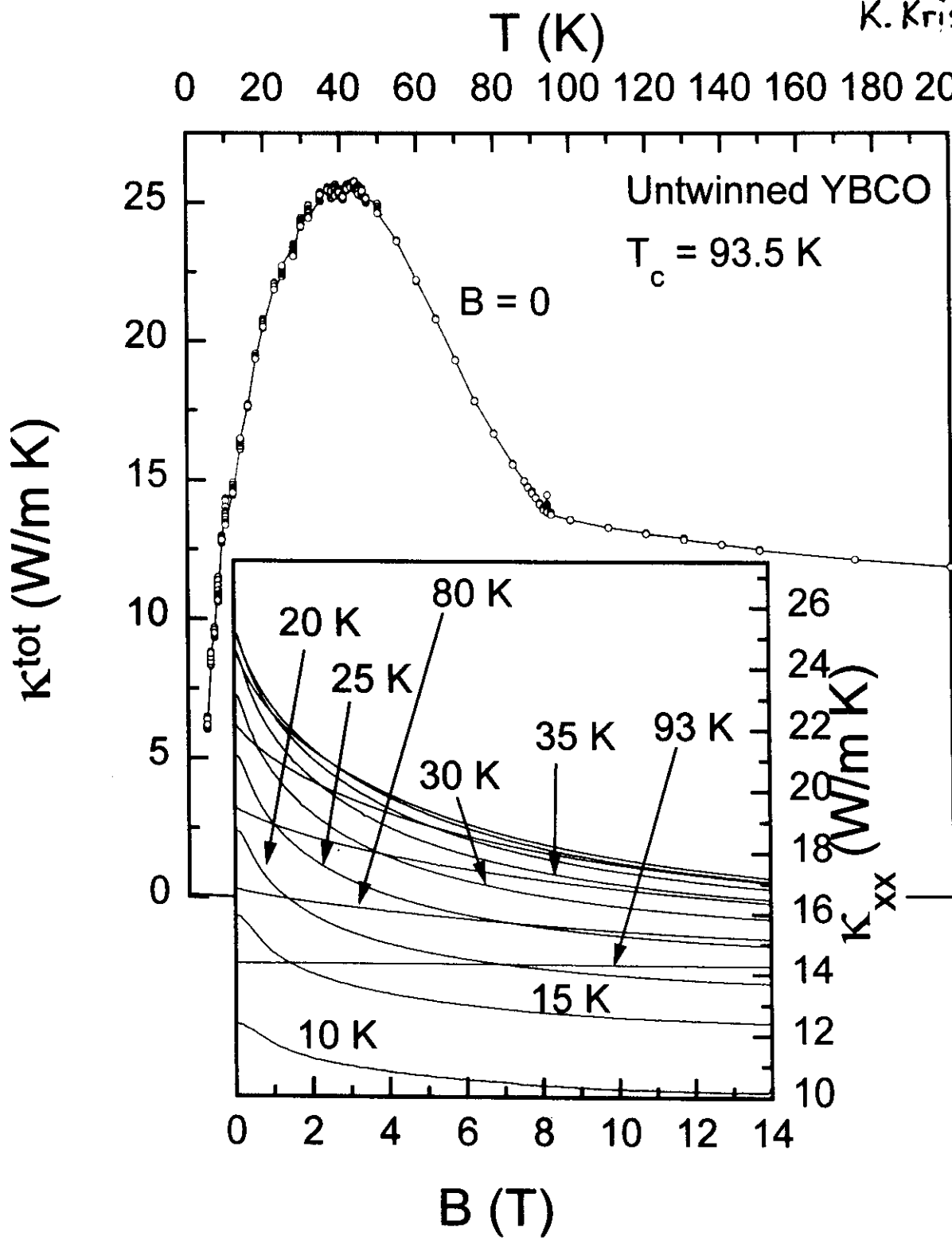


$T \sim 20 \text{ K}$



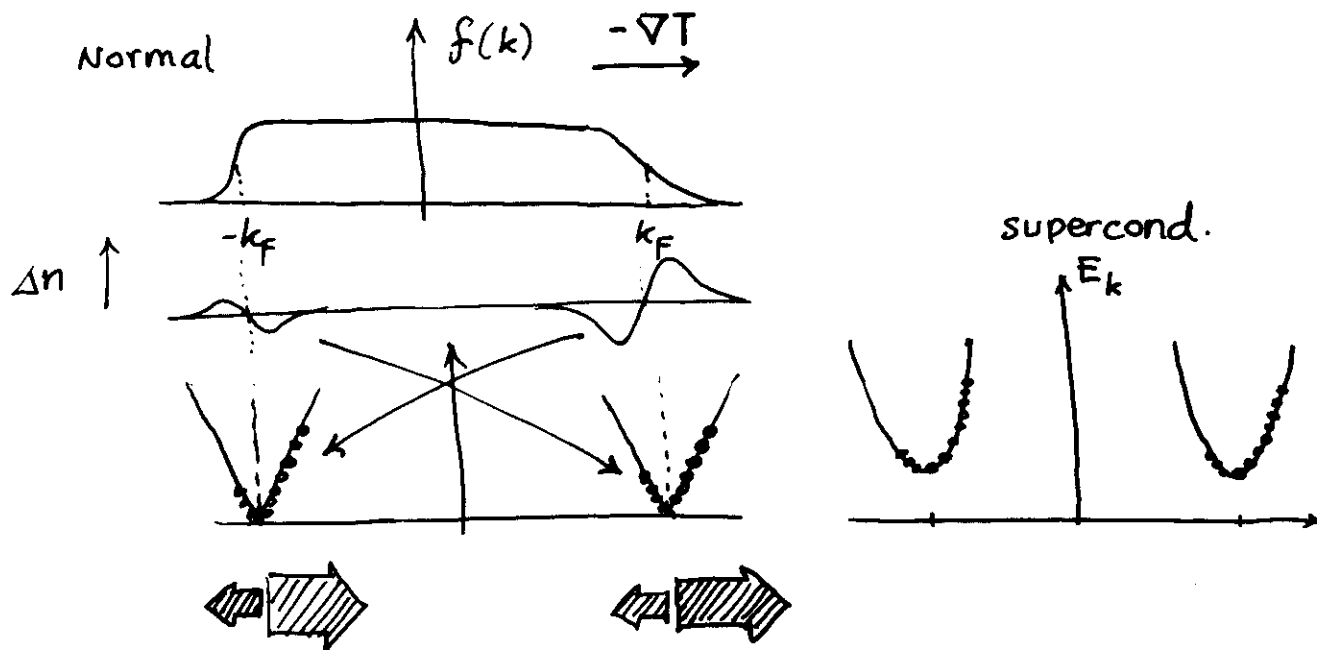
$\downarrow k_B T$

- Low-lying excitations of condensate
- Probe by microwave or thermal current



Quasi Particle Heat Current

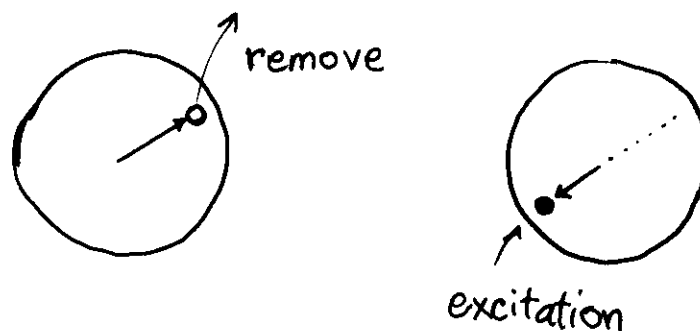
Excitation representation



Neutral current

Absence of e^- at $\vec{k} \uparrow$, vel. $\vec{v}_e(\vec{k})$
 = hole at $-\vec{k} \downarrow$, vel. $\vec{v}_h = \vec{v}_e(\vec{k})$

$$c_{k\uparrow} |0\rangle \rightarrow d_{-\vec{k}\downarrow}^\dagger |0\rangle$$



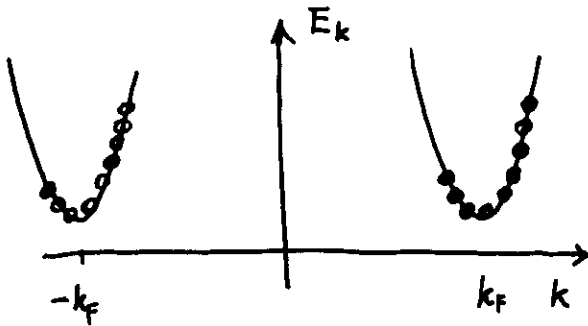
Bardeen Rickayzen Tewordt theory

Boltzmann

$$\vec{v}_k \cdot \frac{\partial f_k^0}{\partial \vec{x}}$$

$$= -g_k \Gamma_k^{\text{scattg. rate}}$$

$-\nabla T$
→



←→
hole

←→
hole particle

QP energy

$$E_k = \sqrt{\Delta^2 + \xi_k^2}$$

$$\xi_k = \epsilon_k^0 - \mu$$

$$J_e^Q \approx \text{electr. neutral}$$

$$(\hbar \vec{v}_k = \frac{\partial E_k}{\partial \vec{k}})$$

$$\vec{v}_k \cdot (-\nabla T) \left(\frac{\partial f^0}{\partial E} \right) \frac{E_k}{T} = g_k \Gamma_k$$

$$J_e^Q = \sum_k g_k E_k v_k \cos \theta_k$$

$$\kappa_{xx} = \frac{1}{T} \sum_k \left(-\frac{\partial f^0}{\partial E} \right) \frac{E_k^2 v_k^2 \cos^2 \theta_k}{\Gamma_k}$$

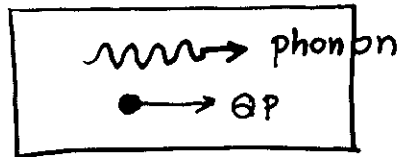
$$\bullet \quad E_k v_k = \xi_k v_k^N$$

$$\bullet \quad \text{Impurity scattg.} \quad l_N = l \rightarrow \frac{\tau_N}{\tau} = \frac{\xi_k}{E_k}$$

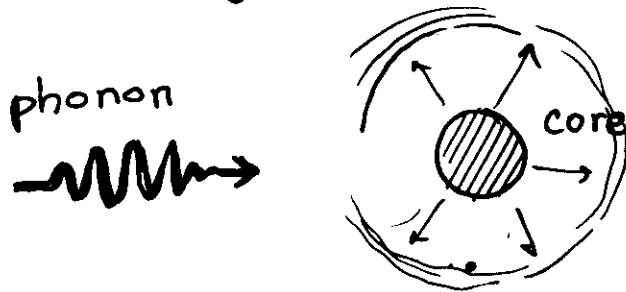
Heat current in low T_c supercond.

- Strong e^- - phonon scattg.

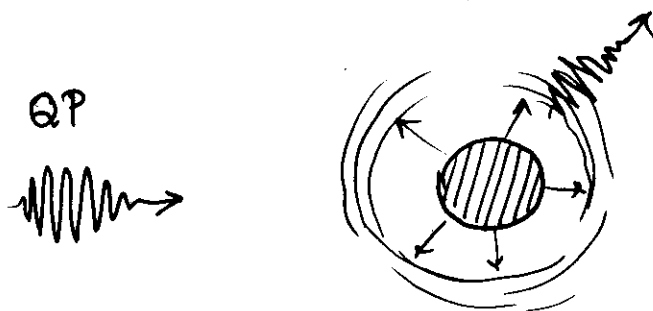
$$\kappa_{xx} = \kappa_{xx}^e + \kappa_{xx}^{ph}$$



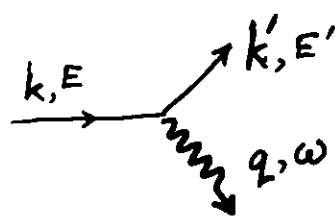
Scattering from vortex core



phonons scatter
el-phon. interactⁿ
in normal core



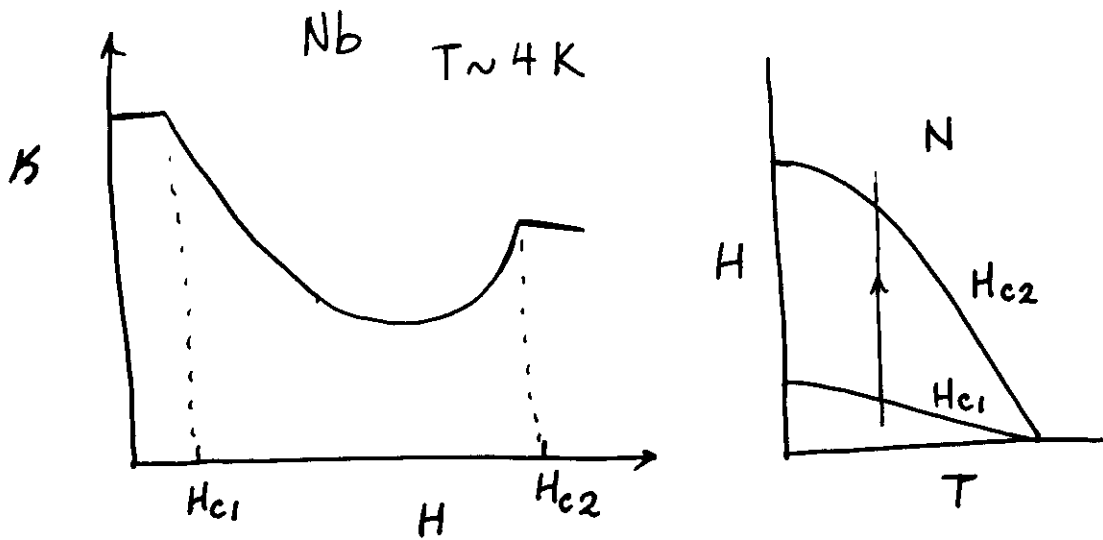
QP current also
scatters from core
(gap potential)



Asymmetric

QP - phonon scattg.
in superfluid

Effect of H on κ (Nb , V) Low T_c supercond.



- ① QP carries most of heat current
- ② Strong vortex - QP scattering decr. κ
- ③ $H \lesssim H_{c2}$ sharp decr. of gap
 → incr. in QP population
 → incr. κ
- ④ Above H_{c2} , κ almost H indpt.

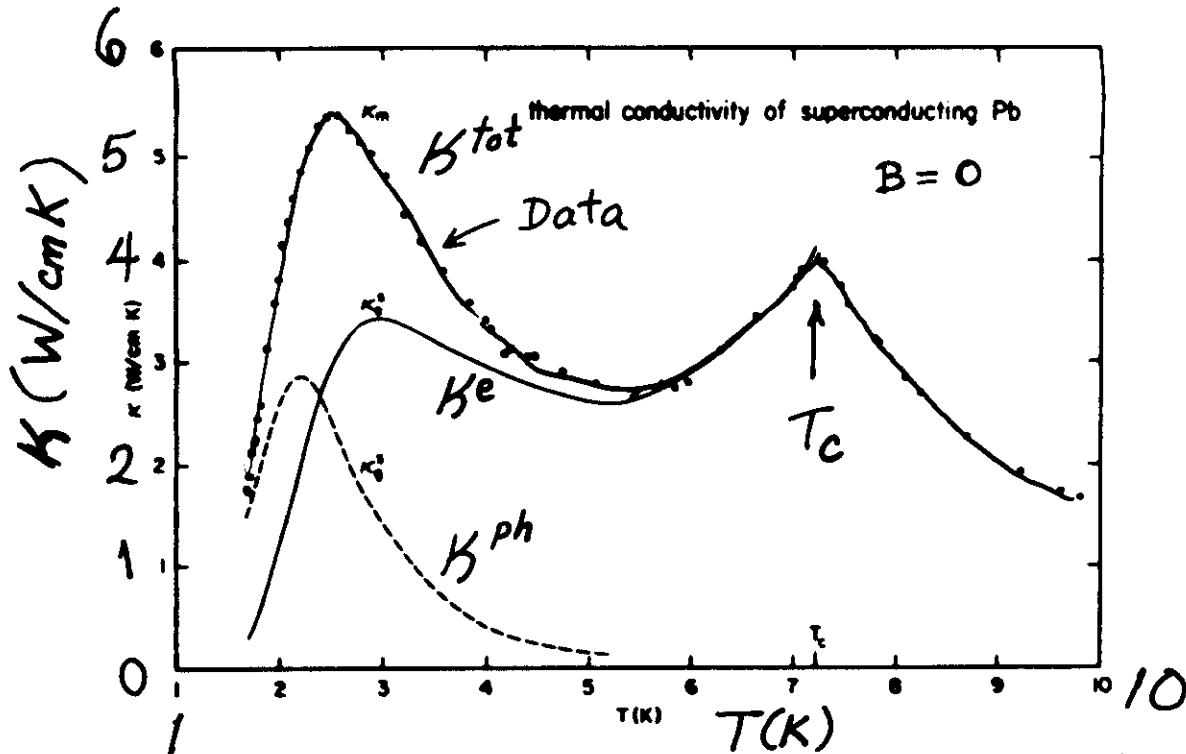


FIG. 1. Temperature dependence of the thermal conductivity of a high-purity lead crystal. κ_e , experimental data; κ_e^t , electronic component according to the theory of Ref. 9 with $c = 0.073$ and $\kappa_e(T_c) = 4.11$ W/cm K; κ_e^t , lattice thermal conductivity.

Jericho, Odani, Ott
(1985)

Evidence for intense
qp-phonon scattg.

5 K - 7 K

3 K - 5 K

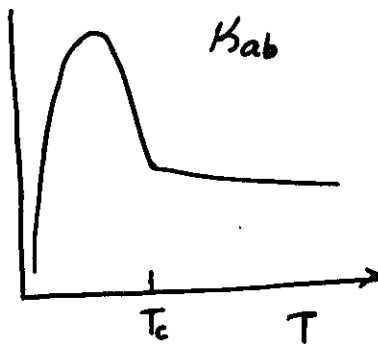
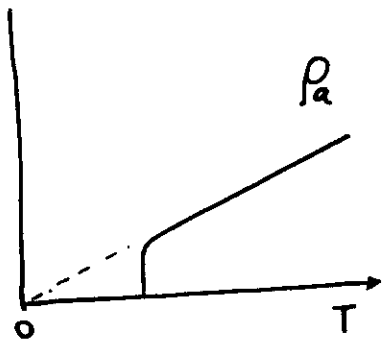
2 - 3 K

< 2 K

$n_{qp} \downarrow$ $n_{ph} \downarrow$
 $\Gamma_{qp} \downarrow$ $\Gamma_{ph} \downarrow$ $\kappa_e \uparrow, \kappa_{ph} \uparrow$
 $n_{qp} \downarrow$ dominant, $\kappa_e \downarrow$
 $n_{ph} \downarrow$ " " $\kappa_{ph} \downarrow$

Clean

YBaCuO_7

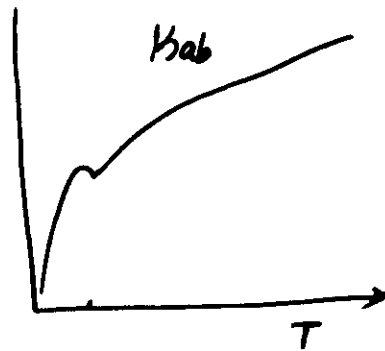
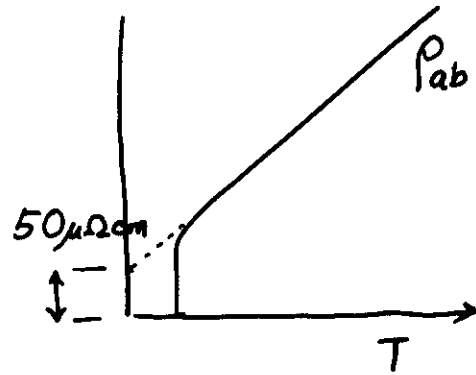


Negligible ρ_0

$$l_0 \rightarrow \infty$$

Dirty

LaSrCuO

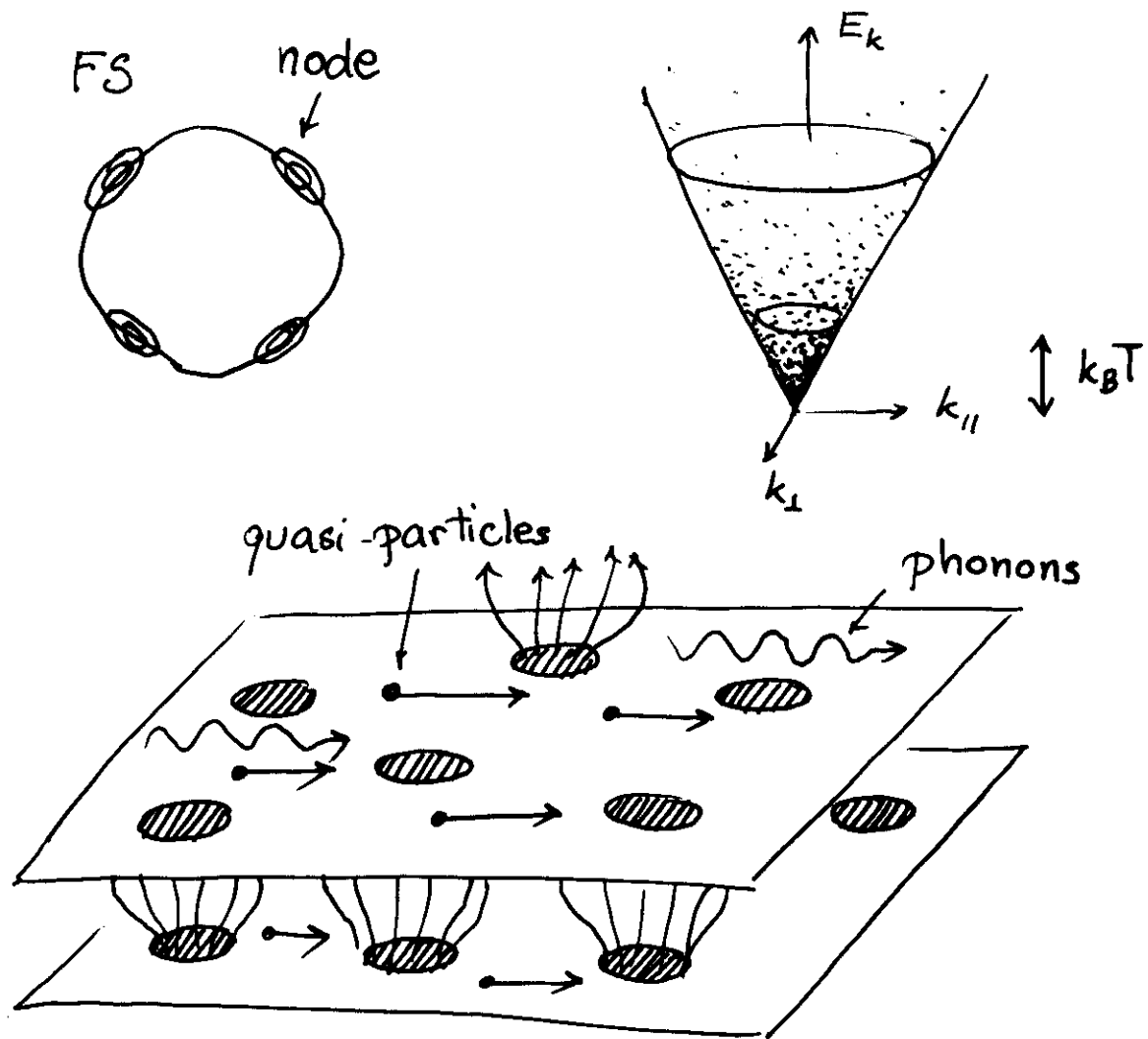


$$\rho_0 \sim 50 \mu\Omega\text{cm}$$

$$\tau_0 \sim 86 \text{ ps}$$

$$l_0 \sim 113 \text{ \AA}$$

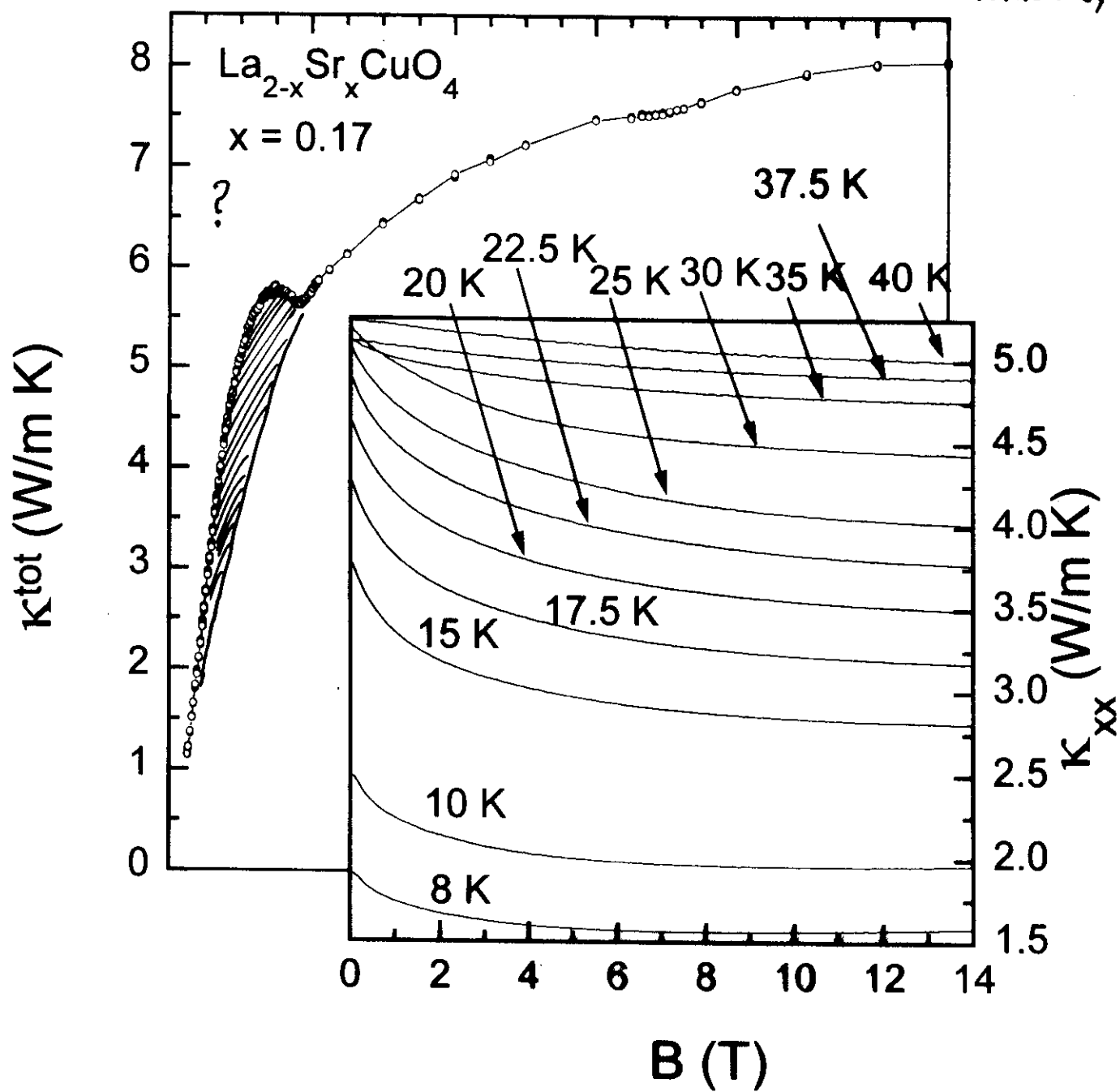
Cuprates



$$\text{In-plane } \kappa = \kappa_{ph} + \kappa_e$$

T (K)

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Absence of phonon scattering from vortex

At 10K, κ_{ph} dominates

$$\kappa_{ph} \gg \kappa_e$$

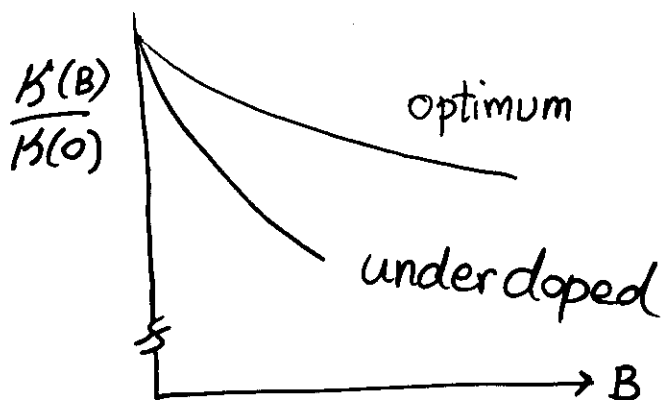
Total
phonon
scattg in
field

$$\frac{1}{l_{tot}} = \frac{1}{l_v} + \frac{1}{l(0)}$$

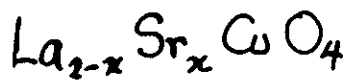
$$\kappa_{ph}(B) = \frac{\kappa_{ph}(0)}{1 + \frac{l(0)\sigma|B|}{\Phi_0}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\Delta \kappa_{ph}(B)}{\kappa_{ph}(0)} &= - \frac{l(0)\sigma|B|}{\Phi_0} \quad (B \rightarrow 0) \\ &= - l(0)\sigma n_v \end{aligned}$$

Rate of decrease faster in underdoped. ?

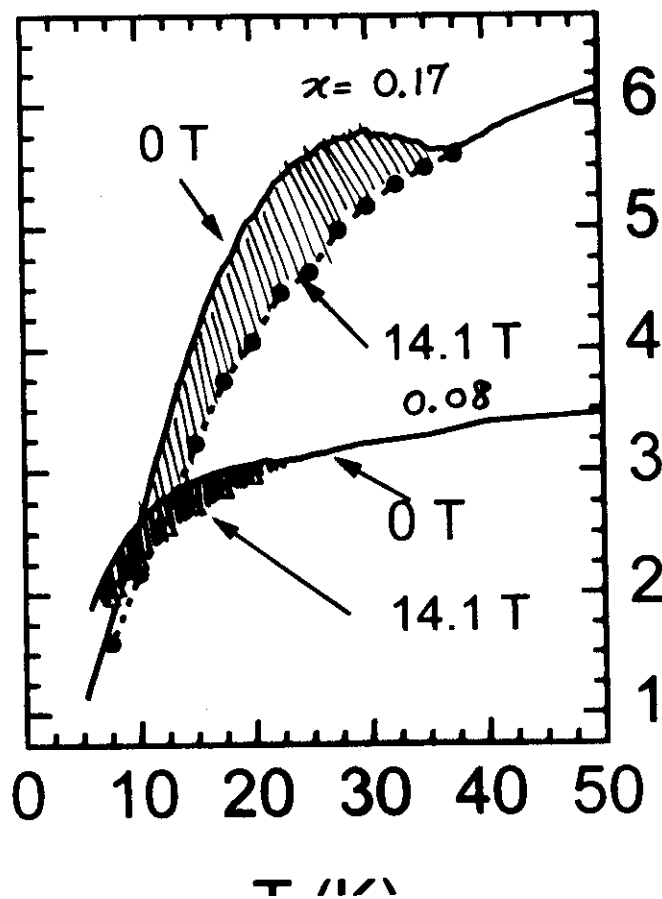
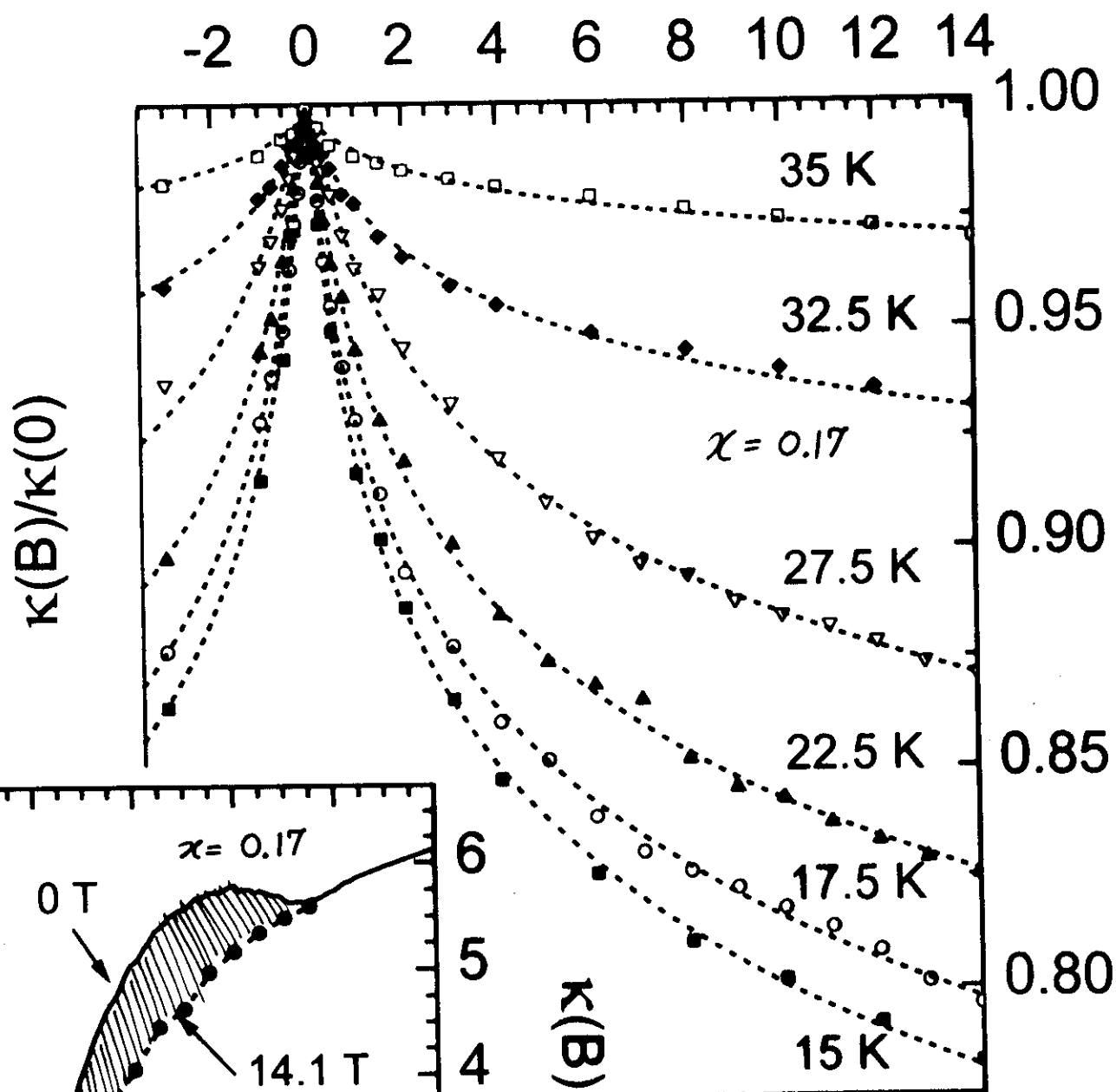


In conflict
with expt.

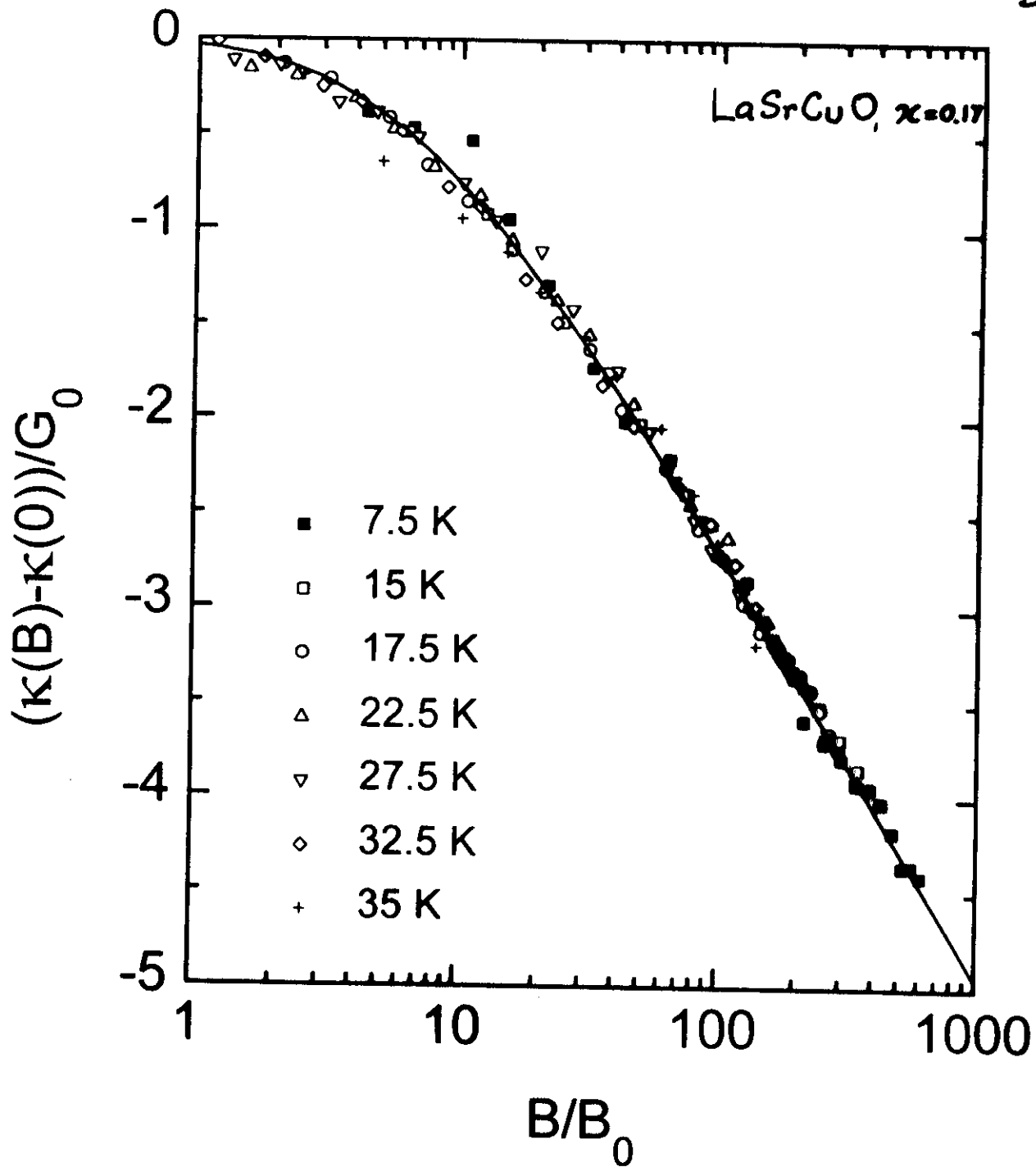


B (T)

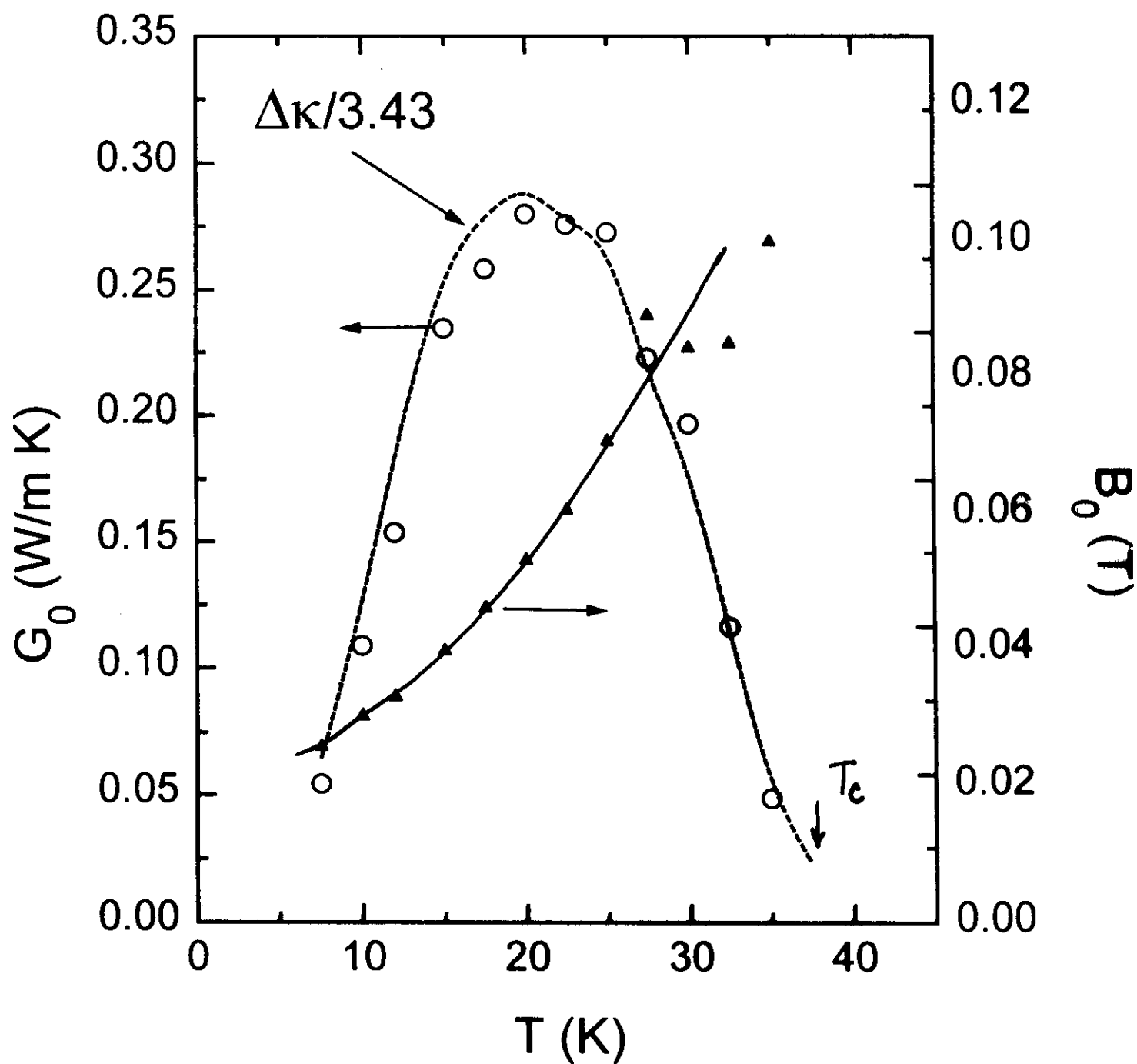
Kimura



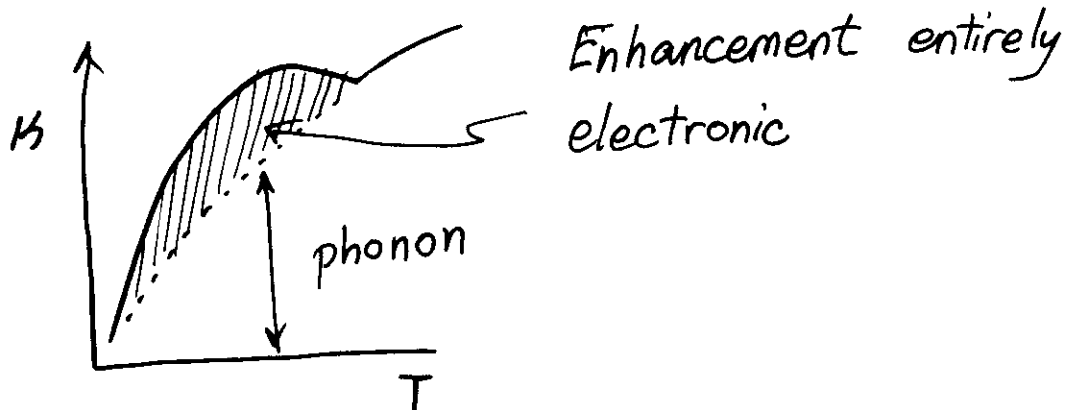
Fit to $\gamma(x) = \psi(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{x}) + \ln x$, $x = \frac{B}{B_0}$



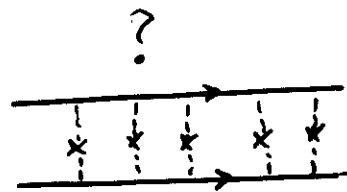
LaSrCuO $x=0.17$



Picture



Extra heat
current
carried by



Ladder
diagram

- NOT simple scattering fr. vortex
- Easily decohered by external field
- Suppression follows

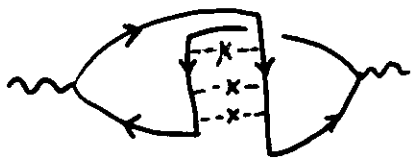
$$\psi\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{B_0}{B}\right) + \ln\left(\frac{B}{B_0}\right)$$

- Specific to d-wave?

... ..

Why $\gamma(x)$?

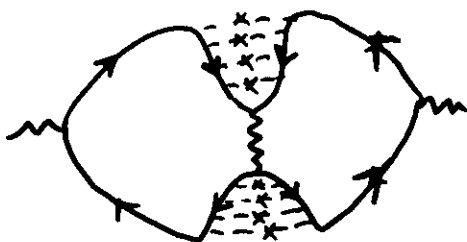
- Suppression of weak localization in 2D



$$\Delta\sigma = + \frac{e^2}{4\pi h} \gamma\left(\frac{B}{B_0}\right)$$

$$\gamma(x) = \psi\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{x}\right) + \ln x$$

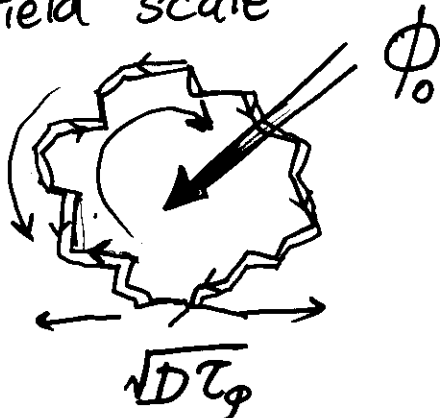
- Diffusion + Fluctuation (Larkin)



$$\Delta\sigma = - \frac{e^2}{4\pi h} \beta(\tau) \gamma\left(\frac{B}{B_0}\right)$$

Field cuts off logarithmic divergence
in particle-particle channel.

Field scale



e^- retains phase coherence
in patch area $D\tau_\phi$

B kills coherence if

$$B \cdot D\tau_\phi \sim \phi_0 = \frac{h}{e}$$

$$B = \frac{h}{4eD\tau_\phi}$$

Conclusions

1. Mean free path $\ell \rightarrow 6,000 \text{ \AA}$ in YBCO $\sim 20\text{K}$
2. Rapid growth $\lesssim T_c \rightarrow$ Inelastic scattg. not from phonons
 $\rightarrow$ Inelastic rate suppressed
 $T < T_c$.

3. In disordered cuprate LaSrCuO

$$\Delta K_{xx} = -G_0 \left[\psi\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{B_0}{B}\right) + \ln \frac{B}{B_0} \right]$$

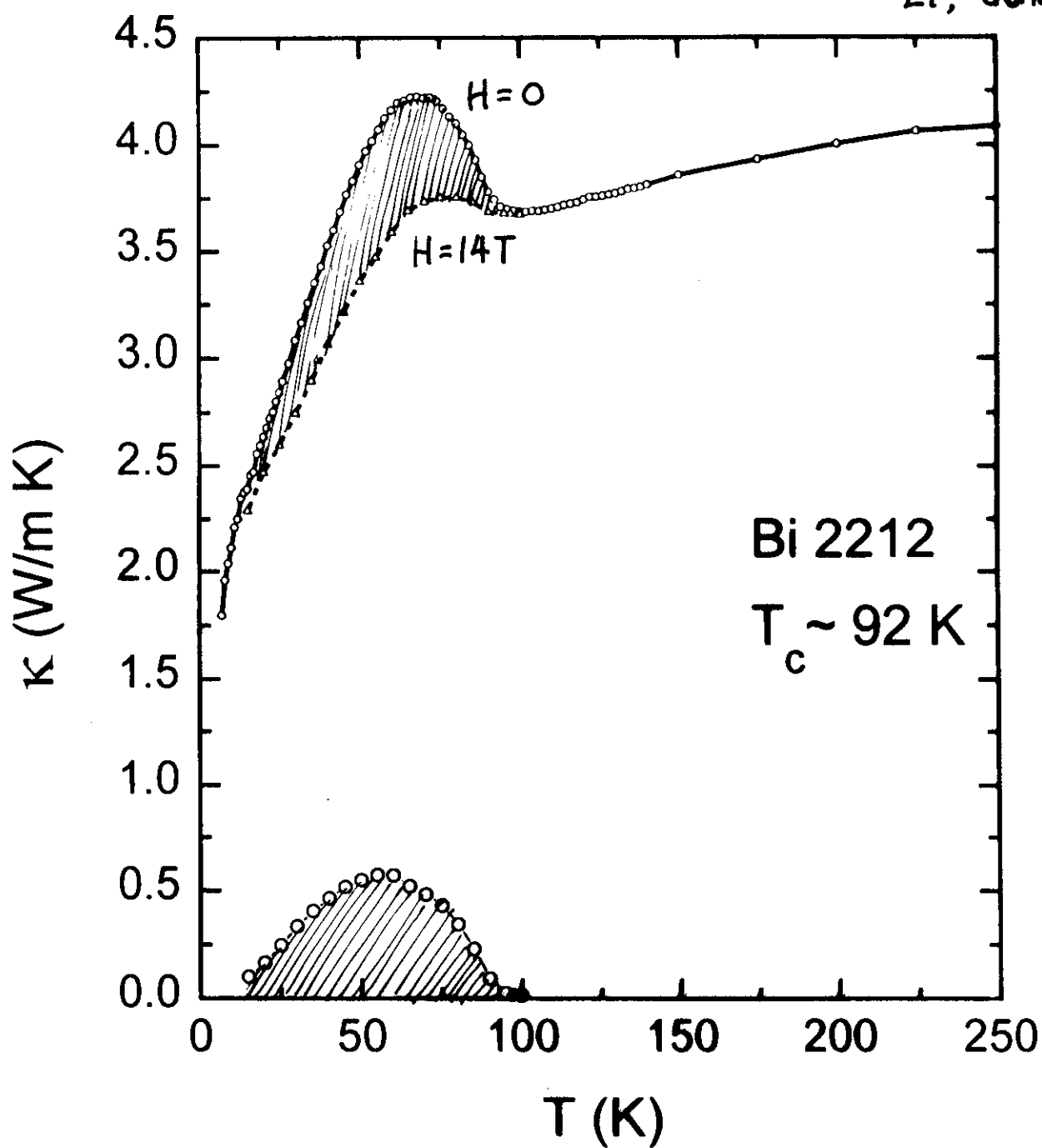
4. B field suppresses quantum coherence of diffusing qp.

5. Enhancement of K entirely electronic.

6. Est. dephasing rate

$$\frac{\hbar}{\tau_\phi} = 0.3 \frac{m_0}{m} k_B T$$

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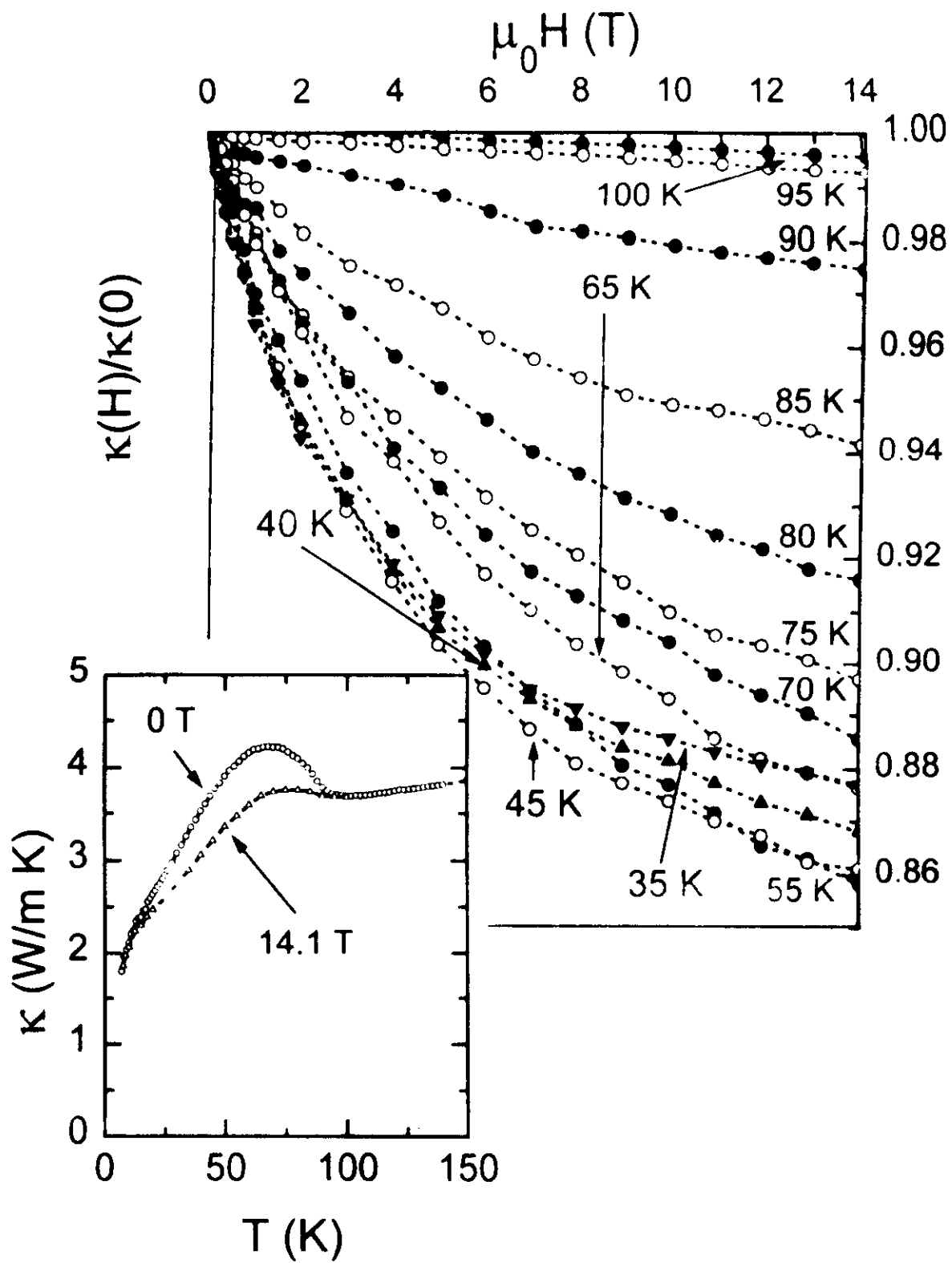
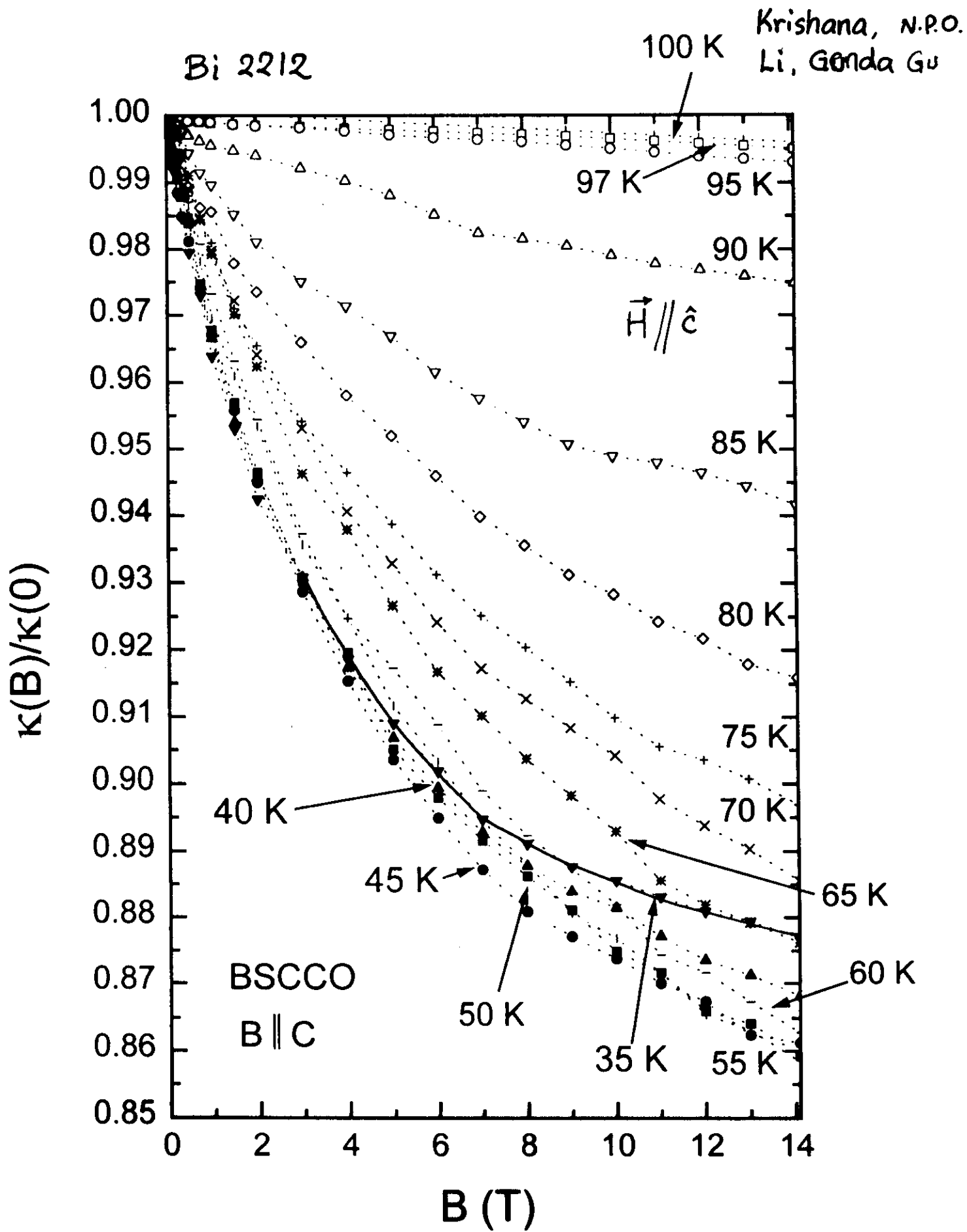
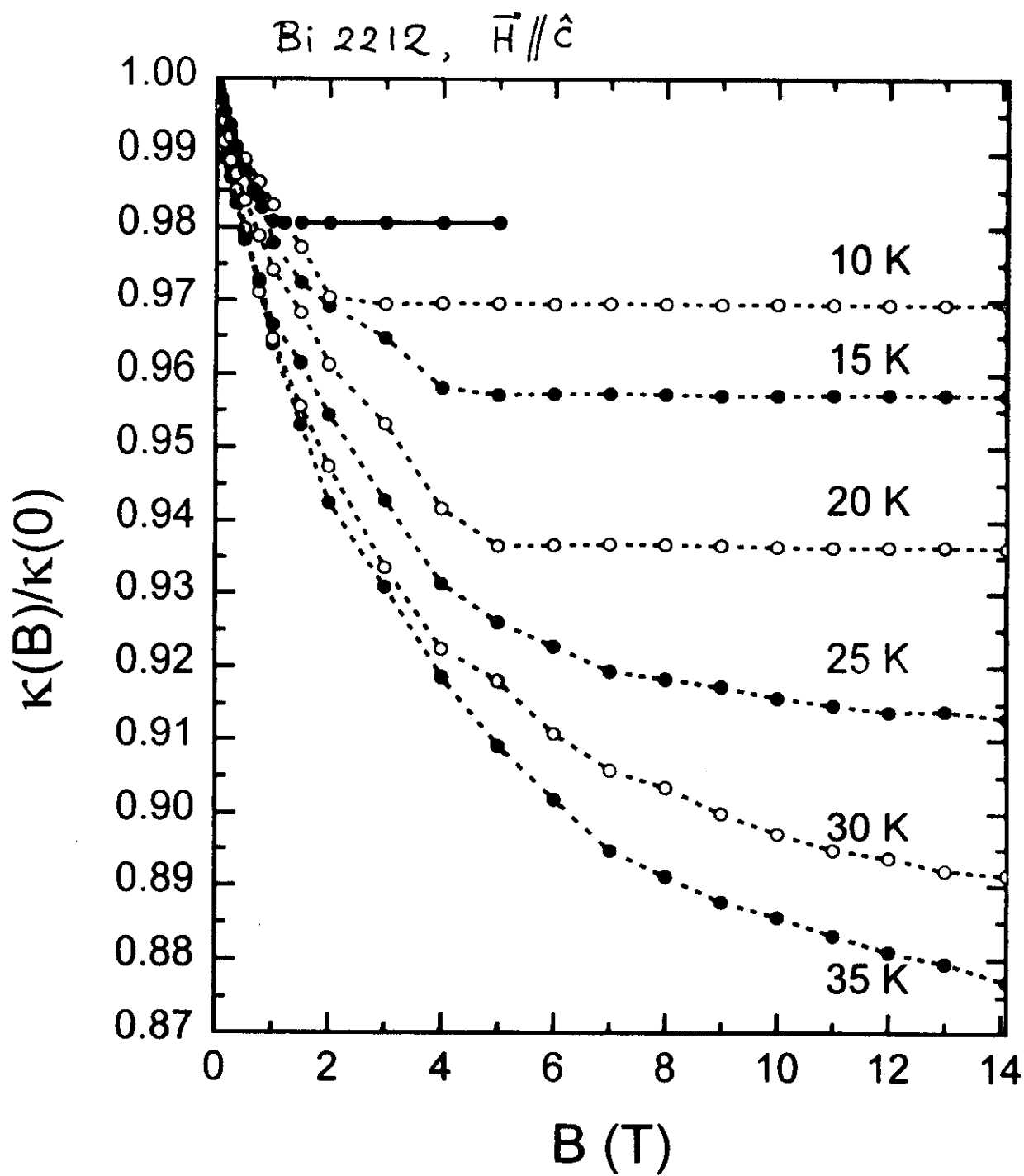


Fig. 1. Thermal conductivity

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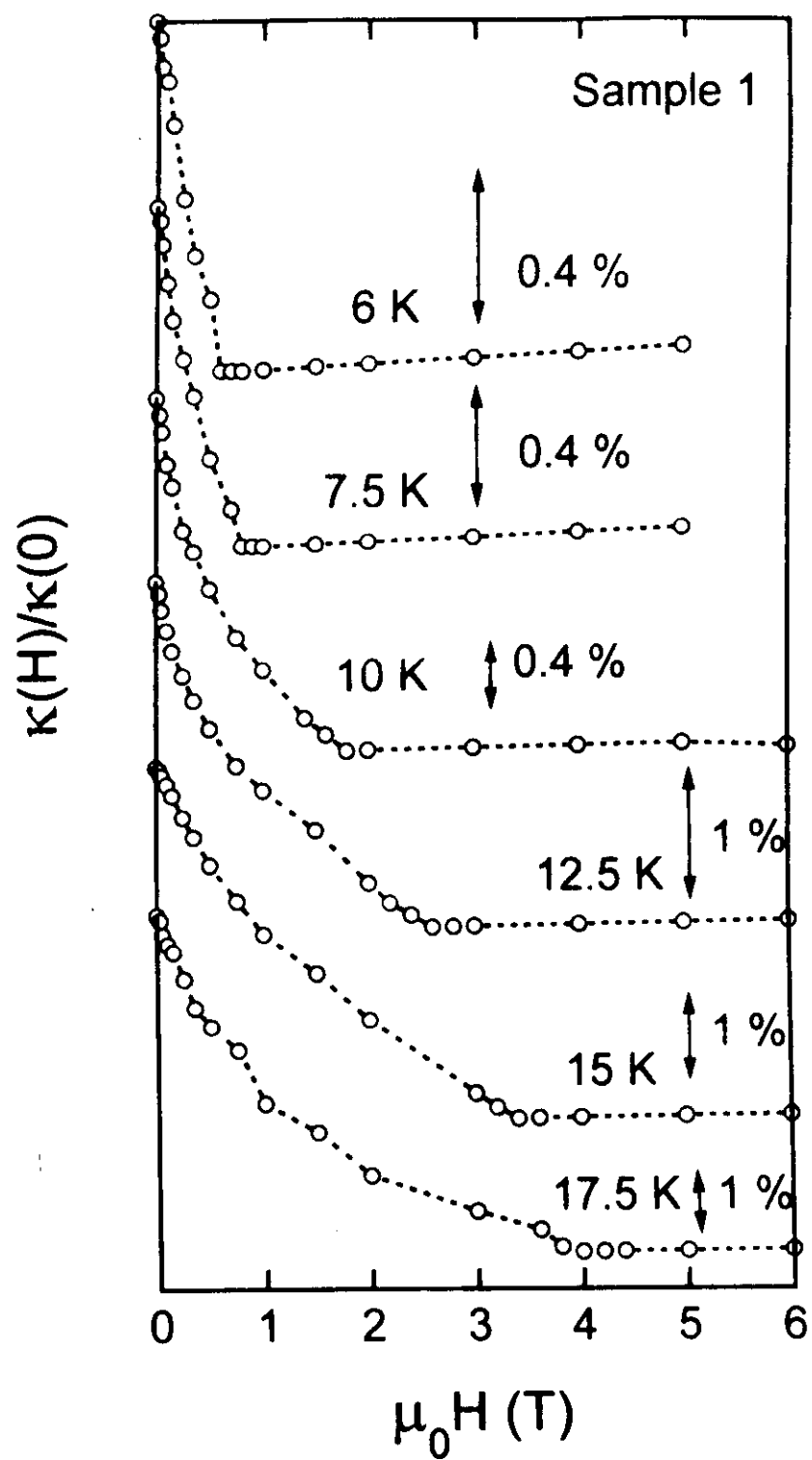
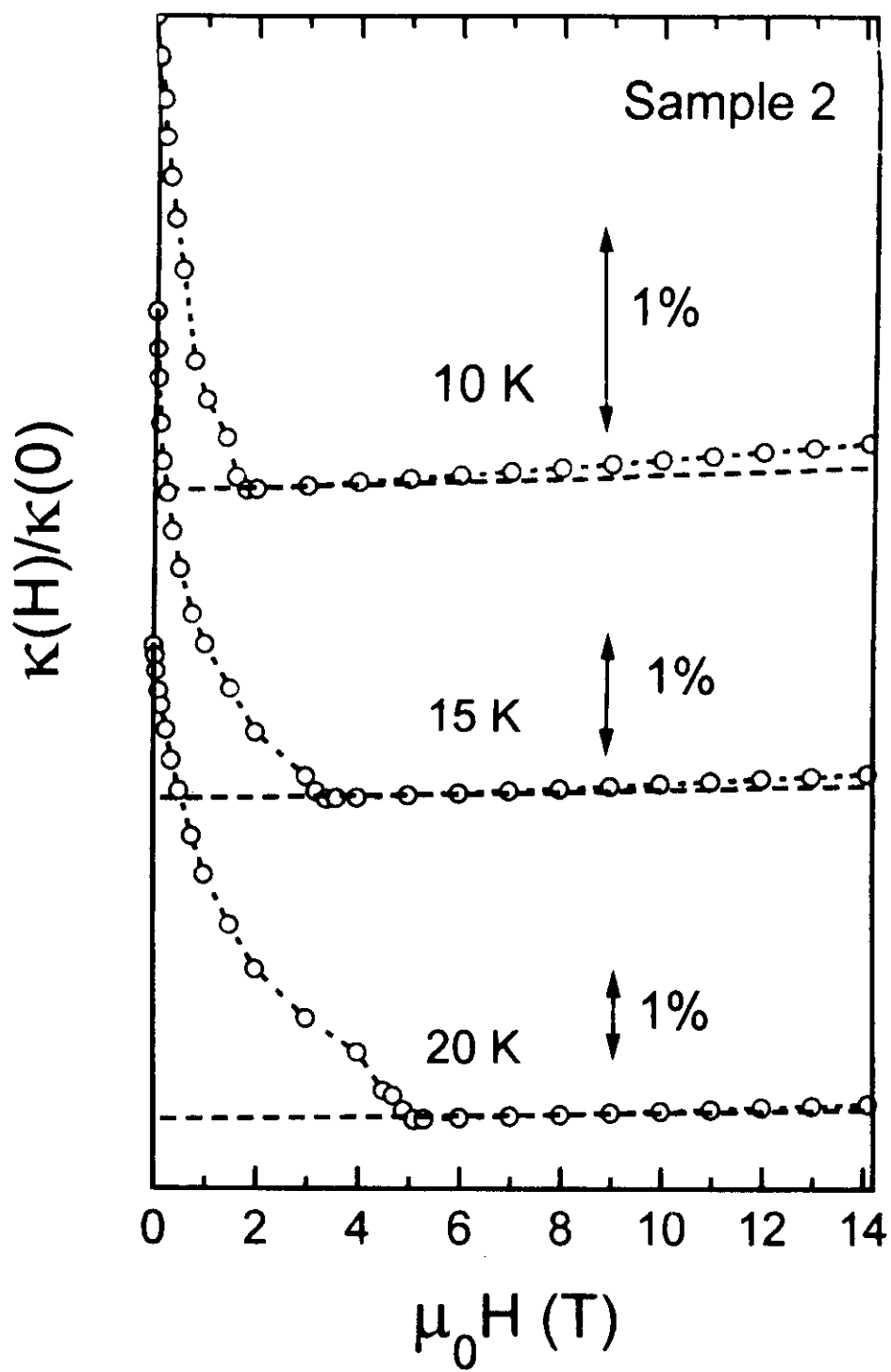


FIG 2 Krishna



$\Delta K = 0$ is a strong constraint

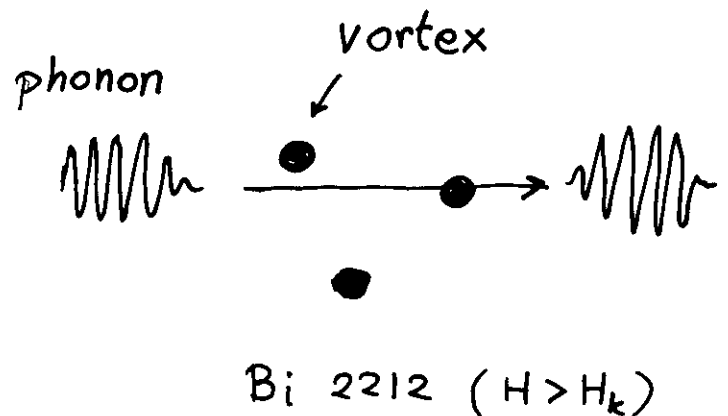
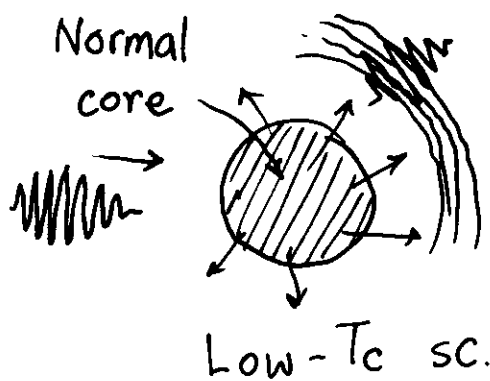
$$K = K_{ph} + K_e$$

$$H > H_k, \quad \Delta K = 0 \rightarrow \Delta K_{ph} = \Delta K_e = 0$$

Both currents constrained.

① $\Delta K_{ph} = 0$

- Vortices transparent to phonons



- electron-phonon scattg ~ 0

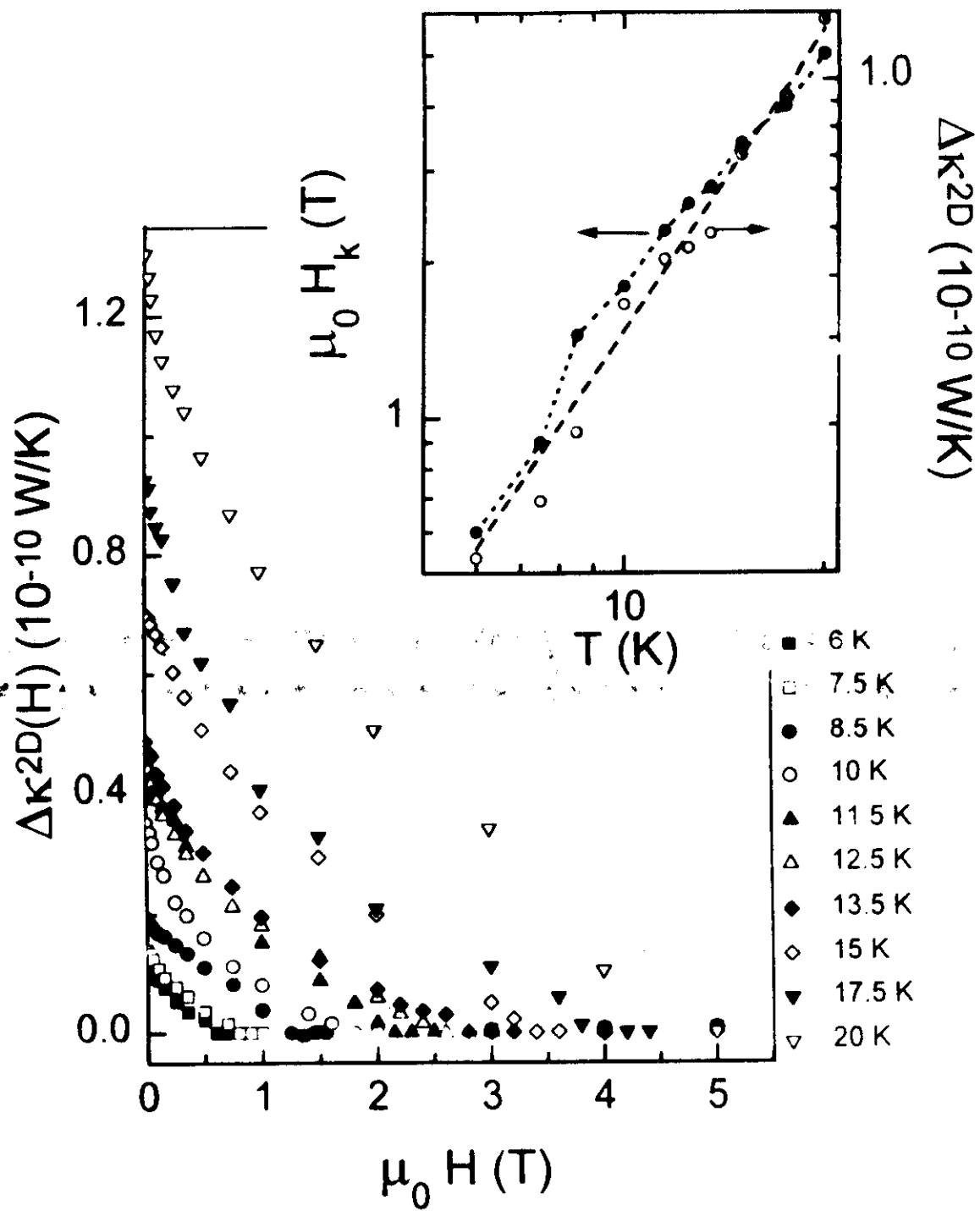
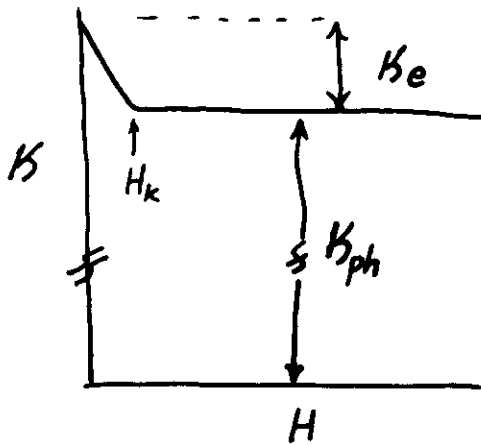


Fig 4 Krist.

② Constraint on K_e

$$\frac{\partial K_e}{\partial H} = 0, \quad H > H_k$$

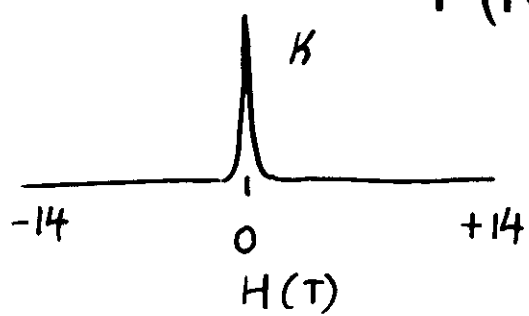
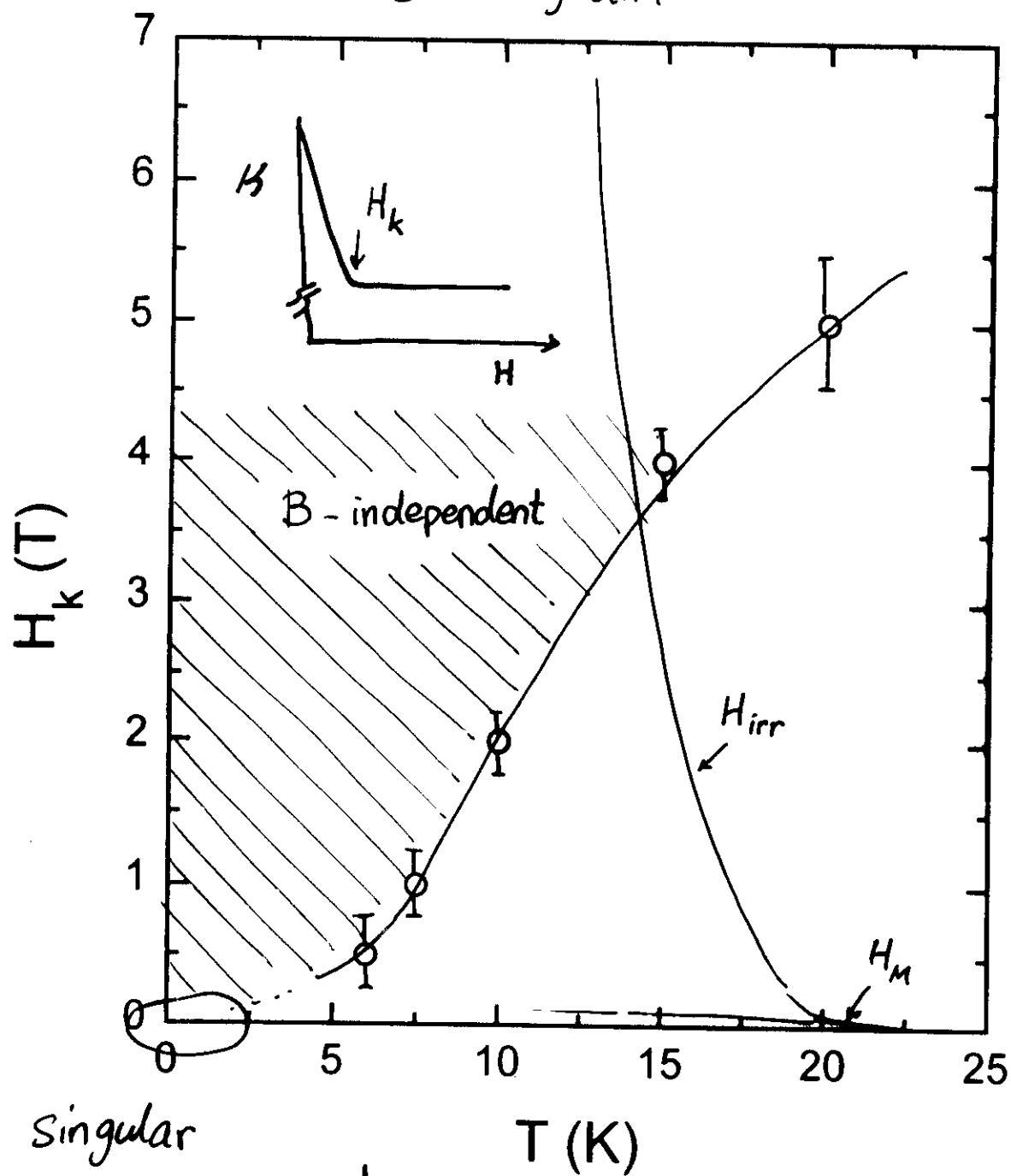


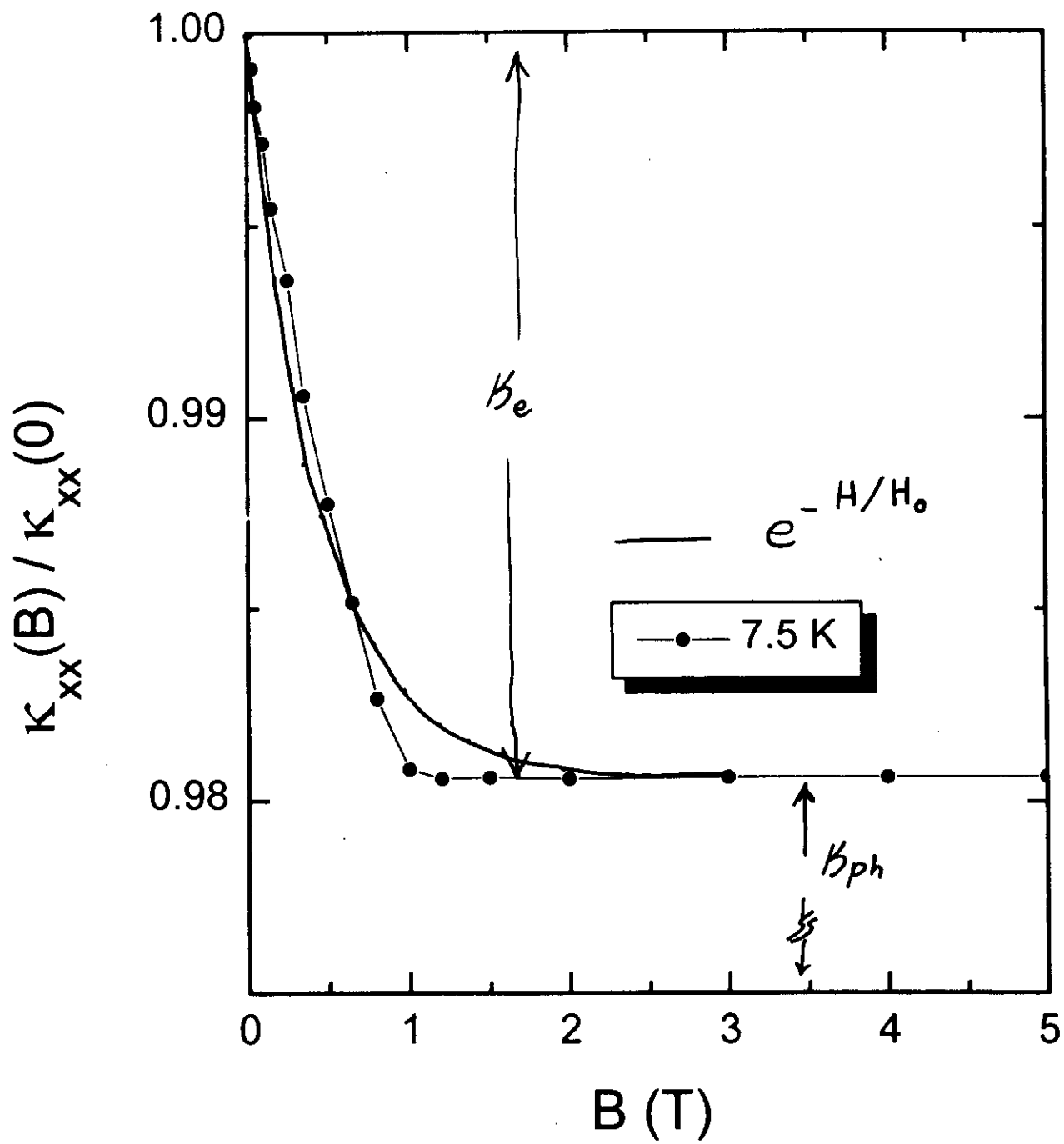
• Most direct interpretation:

$$n_{zp} = 0; \quad H > H_k$$

- Field causes abrupt transition at H_k
- n_{zp} abruptly $\rightarrow 0$
- step change $\Delta K = K_e (H=0)$

Phase diagram





Constraint on QP current

$$\Delta K_e = 0$$

Either ① QP density $\rightarrow 0$

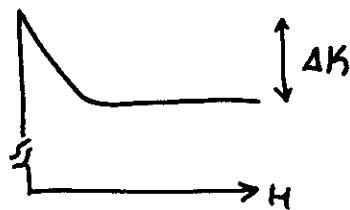
or ② A new state

QP current unaffected
by $\vec{B}$.

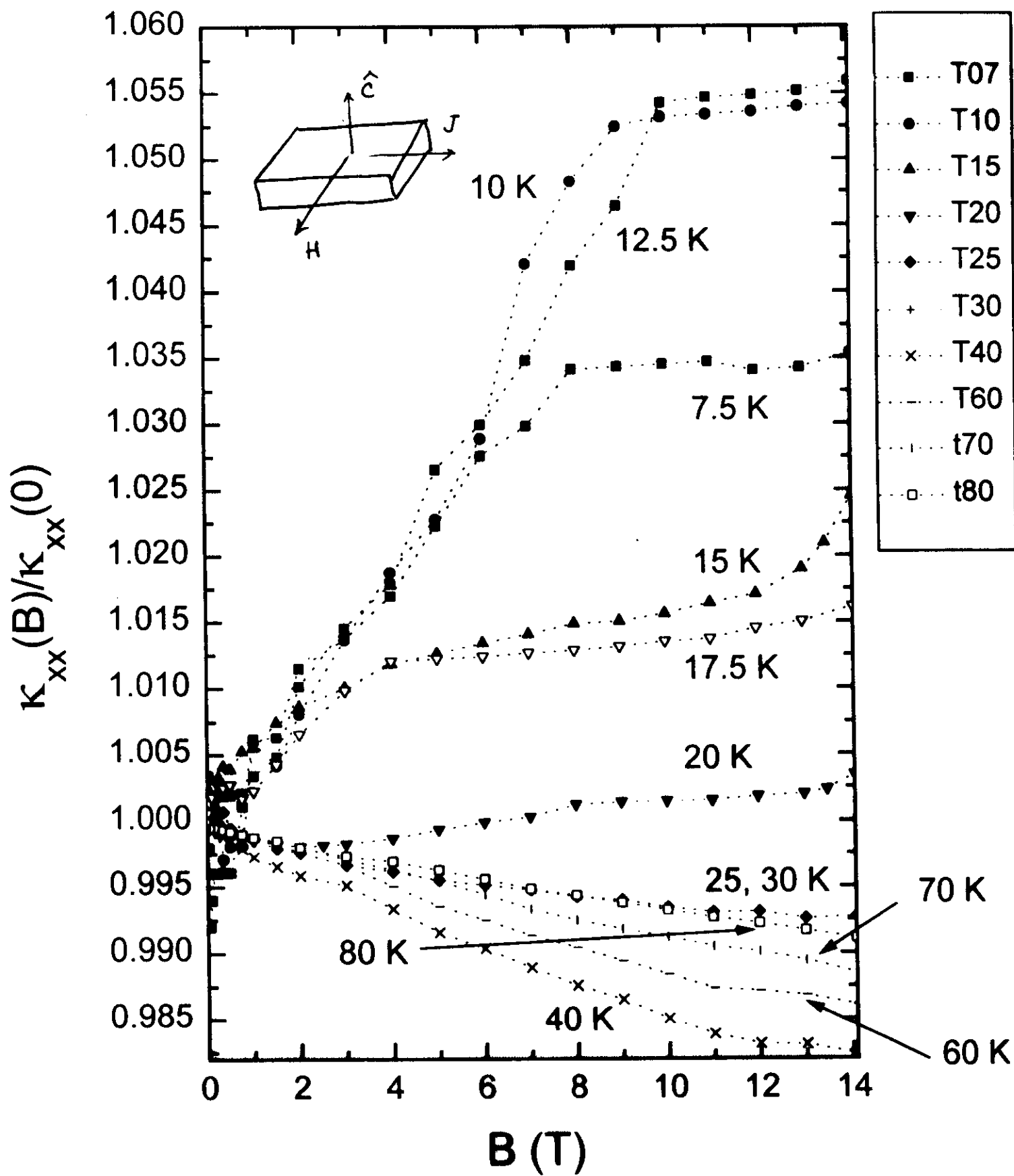
Add'l info

- Plateau effect is orbital (tilt expt.)

- $\frac{\Delta K}{T}$ is nominally $\sim T$



$\frac{\Delta K}{T}$ ^{2D} has ^{order of} _^ magnitude $\sim \frac{k_B^2}{\hbar} = 1.81 \times 10^{-12} \frac{\text{W}}{\text{K}^2}$



Quasi Particle current

Bardeen
Rickayzen
Tewordt

$$K_e = \frac{1}{T} \sum_k \xi_k^2 v_k^2 \cos^2 \theta_k \left(-\frac{\partial f^0}{\partial E_k} \right) \tau$$

$$E_k = \sqrt{|\Delta_k|^2 + \xi_k^2}$$

2D, d-wave

$$K^{2D} = \eta \cdot \frac{k_B^2 T}{\hbar} \cdot \frac{k_B T}{\Delta_0} \cdot k_F l \left(\frac{\hbar \Gamma}{\Delta_0} \right)^{-1}$$

$$\eta \sim 0.87$$

Wiedemann
Franz

cpf $\sigma^{2D} = \frac{e^2}{2\pi\hbar} k_F l$

• $K_e \sim T^2$ d-wave ✓

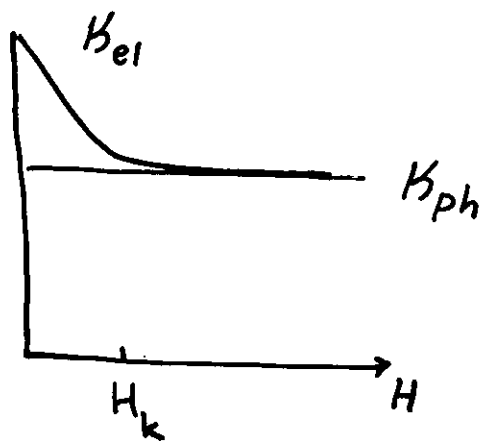
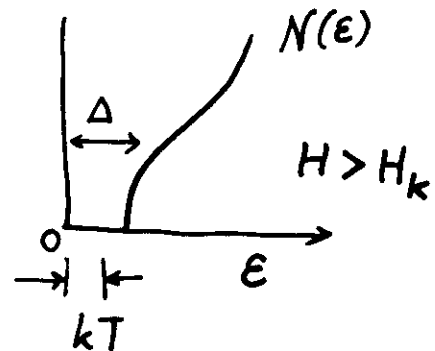
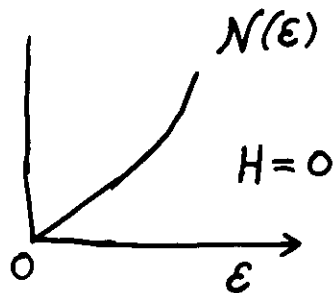
• $K_e \sim \frac{T}{\Delta_0} \cdot \left(\frac{\hbar \Gamma}{\Delta_0} \right)^{-1}$ ✓

$\tau \sim 0.4 \text{ ps}$

Scenario

① QP population driven $\rightarrow 0$?

$\vec{B}$ opens
a gap Δ

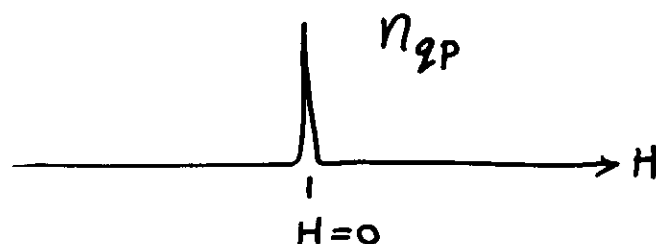


$H > H_k$

$K \rightarrow K_{ph}$ (only)

- Transition seems too abrupt? Not e^{-B}
- No known scenario? $B \uparrow n_{qp} \uparrow$ usually.
- Nodes fragile to field? singular

$T \rightarrow 0$



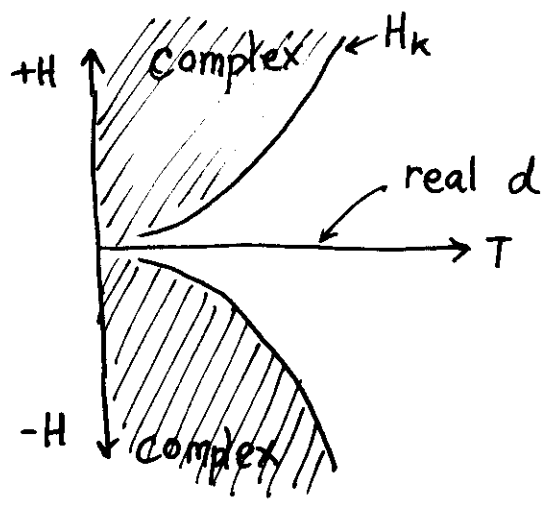
Field-induced transition ?

(Anderson, Haldane)

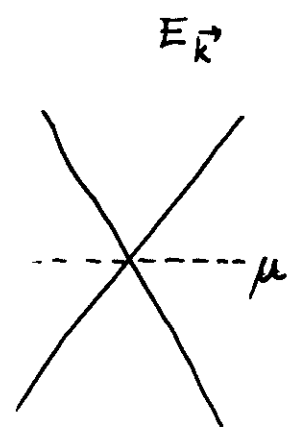
Real d-wave $\rightarrow$ complex gap

s+id ?

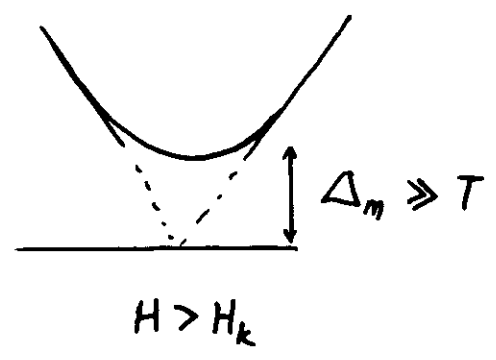
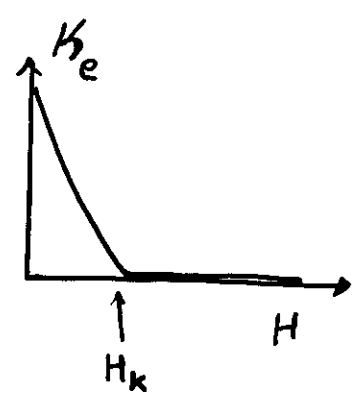
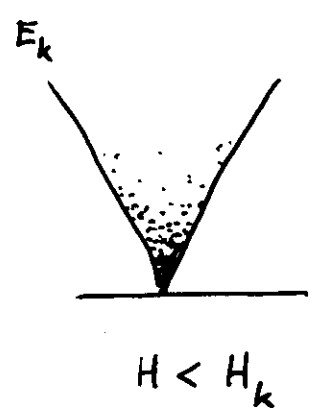
d+id ?



- Real d-wave
Infrared sick



- $H_{ext} \rightarrow$



Laughlin

Field stabilizes new gap Δ'

$$F = -M_{orb}H + U_{QP}$$

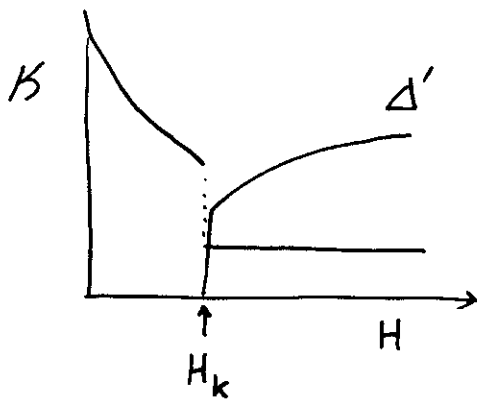
$$= -\alpha\Delta'H + \beta\Delta'^3$$



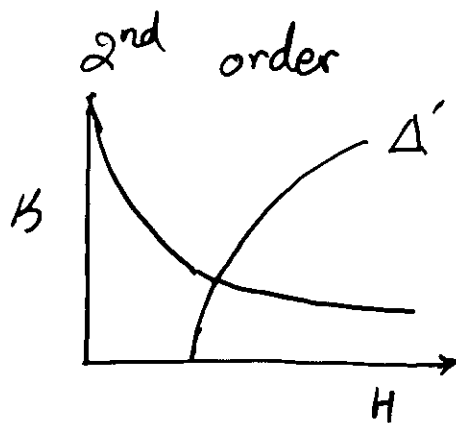
$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial \Delta'} = 0 \rightarrow H_k \sim \Delta'^2 \sim T^2$$

- magnitude of H_k about right
- Needs microscopic model for M_{orb}
Edge current ?

Is transition 1st order ?

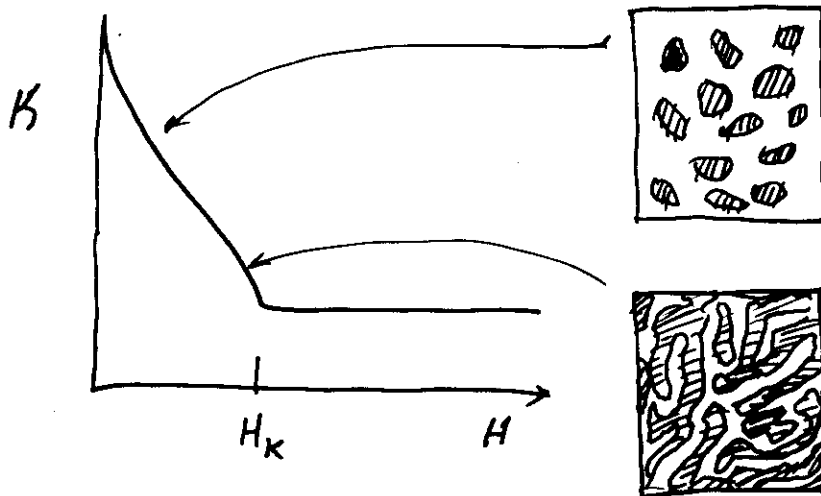


discont. not seen.



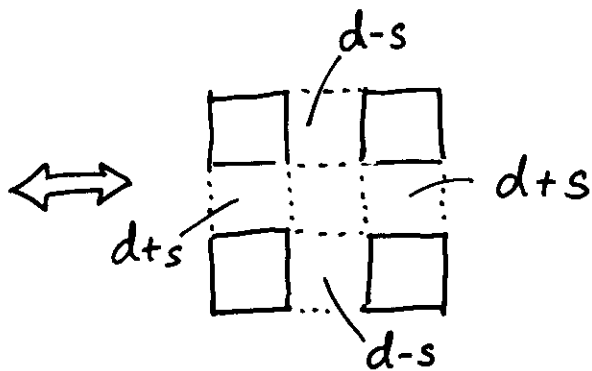
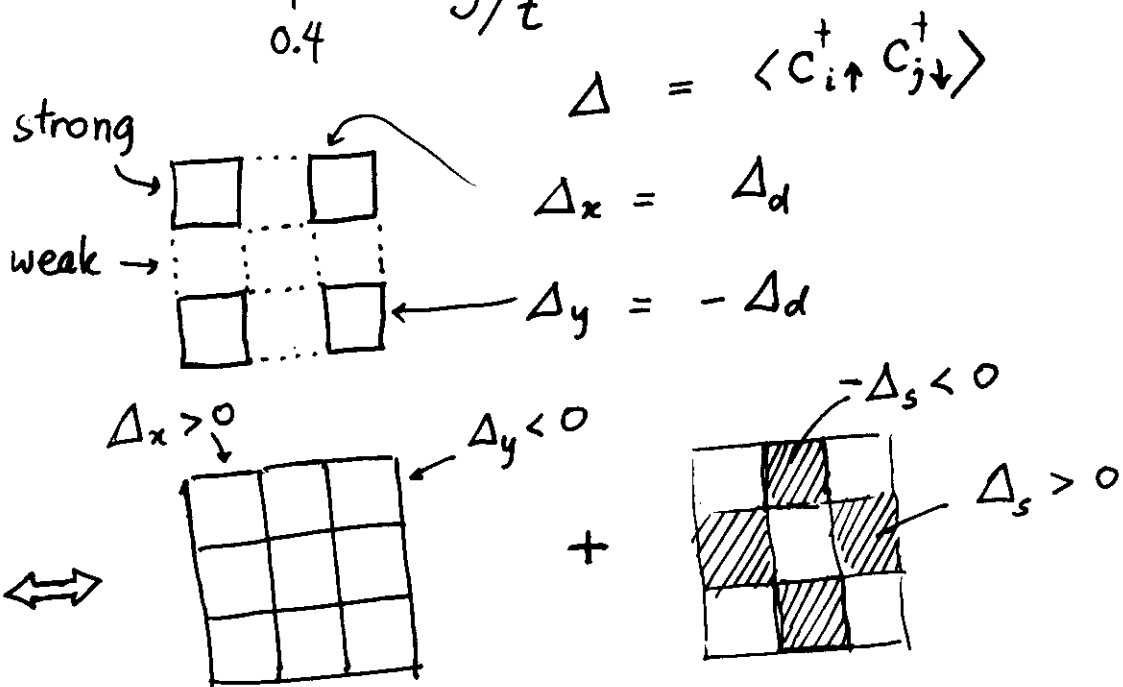
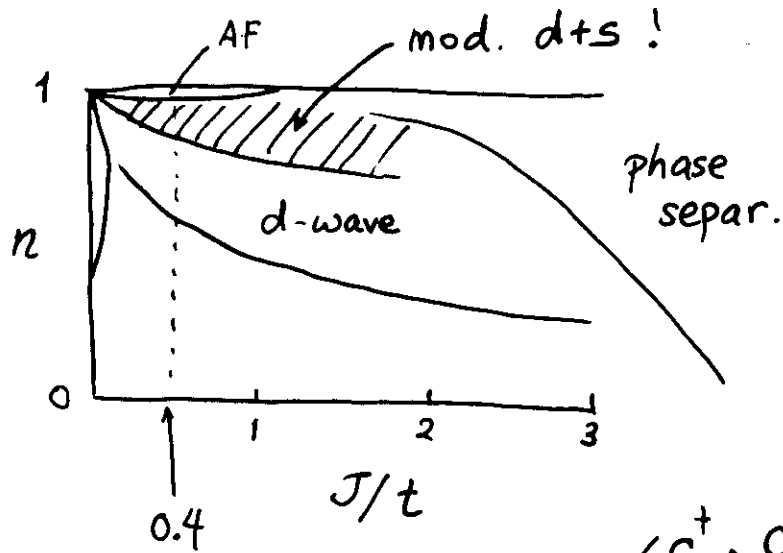
kink a problem.

Field nucleates new phase ?



M. Ogata, Yokoyama

Ground state of tJ model

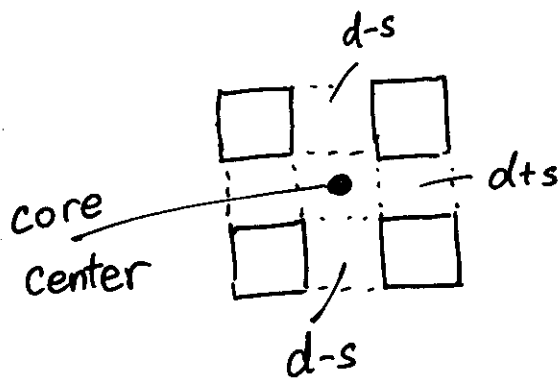
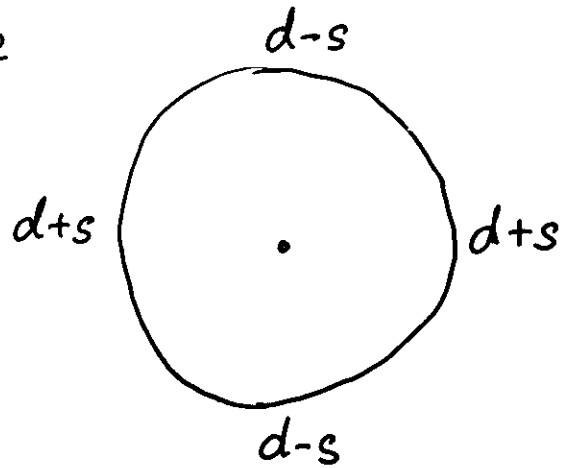
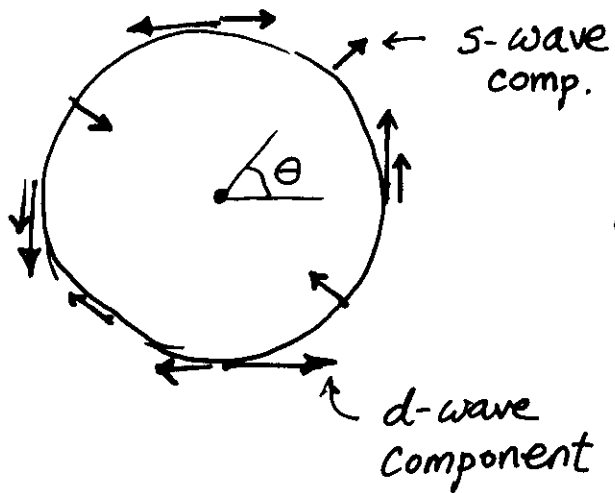


d-wave

Vortex core

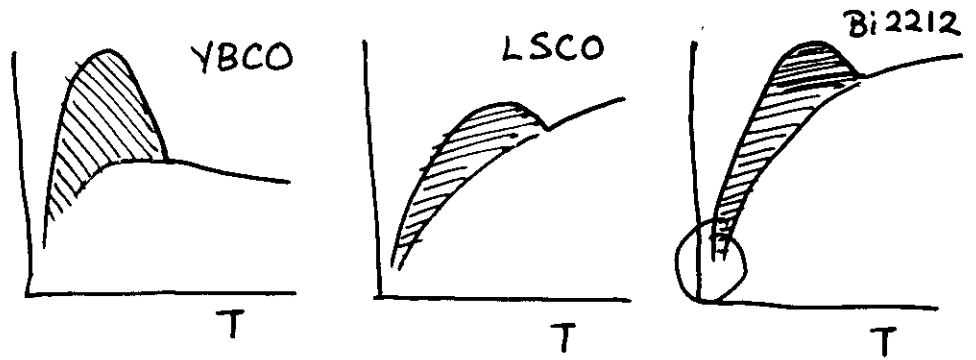
(Callin, Berlinsky
Ren, Ting)

$$\psi \sim r (\alpha_d e^{i\theta} + \alpha_s e^{-i\theta}), \quad r < \xi$$



- Vortex favors mod. d+s state
- Acts as nucleation center?

Summary



- Large anomaly in K purely electronic.
B dependence " "
- Clean cuprate Steep increase of $\frac{1}{\tau}$ or ℓ below T_c .
Large Hall current K_{xy}

- Dirty cuprate Large enhancement of D
Quantum interference effect?
Rapid decoherence in B field.

- 2D cuprate Additional feature at low T
 K plateaus for $H > H_k$

See
Krishana
N/O 6

Either $n_{qp} \rightarrow 0$

or a novel state with
B-indpt. current.

Real d
 $\rightarrow$ complex

- Vortices do not scatter phonons.