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using synchrotron light, neutron, and muon

## Comments - High- $T_c$ superconductivity -

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# High Tc Superconductivity

- Spatial Correlation in the Vortex Matter Systems

Steve Lee

- Challenging Experiments for Cuprate Superconductors

Kazuyoshi Yamada

- Angle-resolved Photoemission Spectroscopy of High-Tc Superconductors: Present Status and Outlook

Atsushi Fujimori

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## Introduction

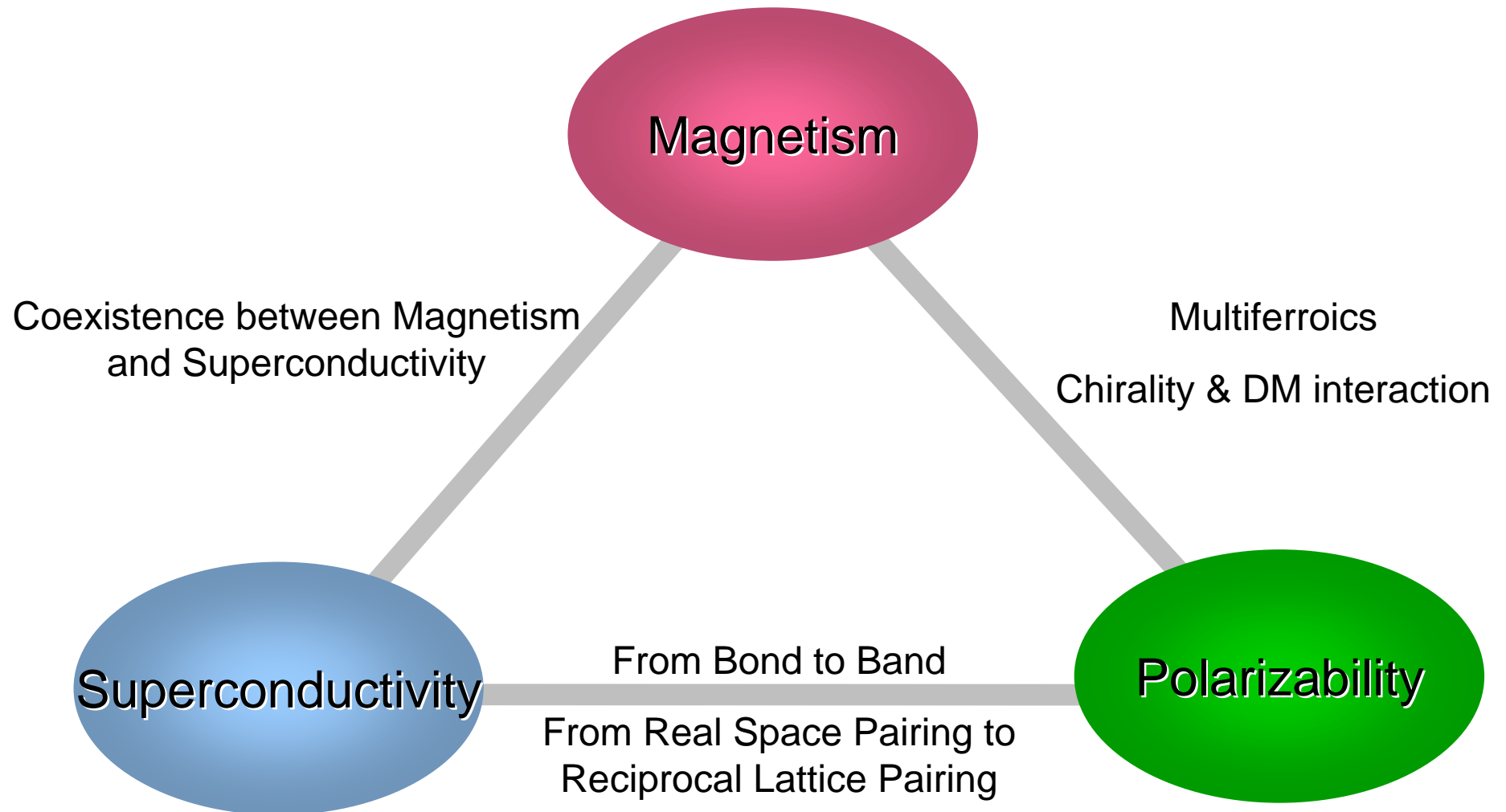
- Most attractive word in the Physics Society is  
“Deep”
- On the other hand, in the Chemistry Society is  
“New”



“Deep Physics” through “New Material”

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# Triangle Phase Diagram



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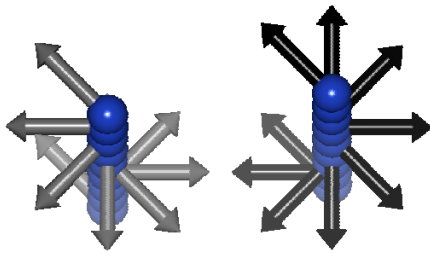
# Phase Diagram



# Chiral Helimagnetism

- Symmetric helix

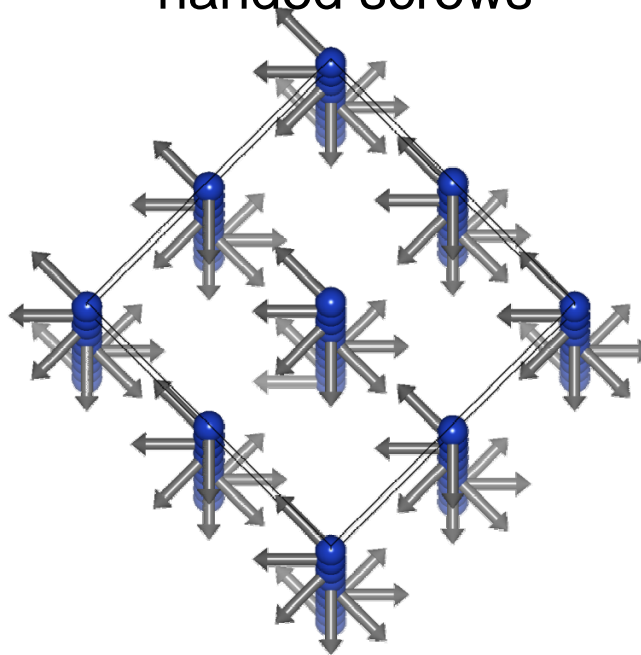
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- (Ferro)chiral helix

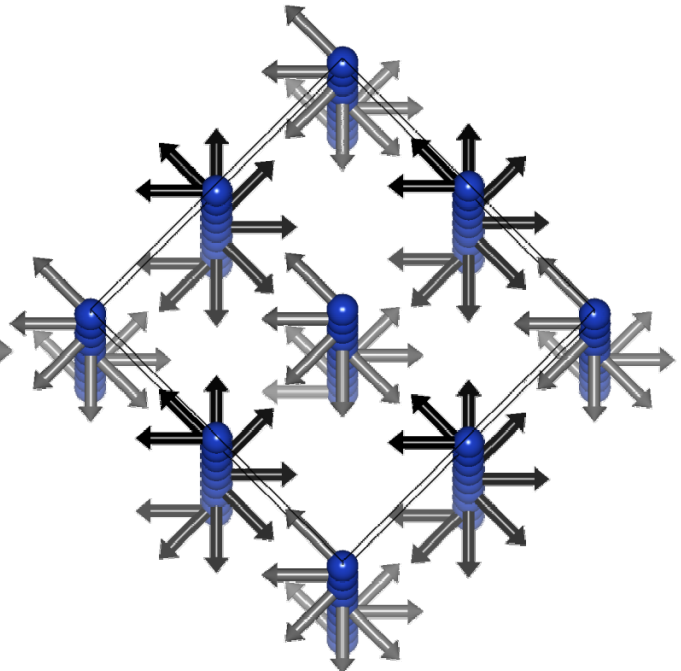
- Only right- (or left-) handed screws



MnSi, CsCuCl<sub>3</sub> (?)

- (Antiferro)chiral helix

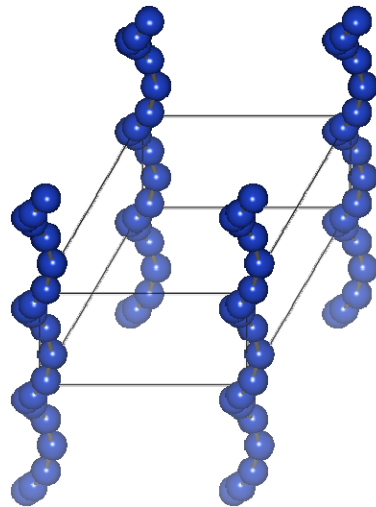
- Alternating right-handed and left-handed screws



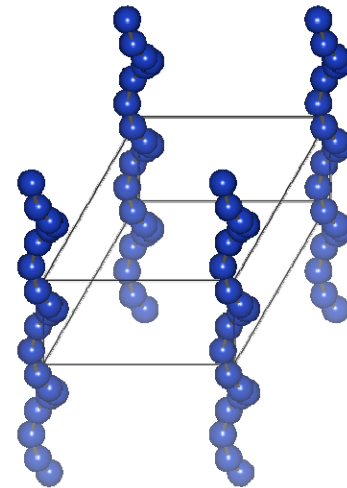
CuB<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> (?)

# Chirality of $\text{CsCuCl}_3$

- Determination of Crystallographic and Magnetic Chirality in  $\text{CsCuCl}_3$ 
  - Resonant Circularly-polarized X-ray Diffraction
  - Non-resonant Circularly-polarized X-ray Diffraction



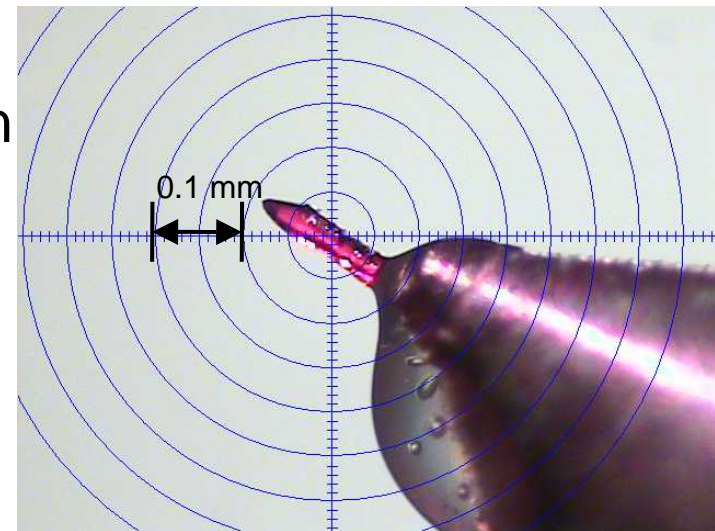
(Left-handed:  $P6_122$ )



(Right-handed:  $P6_522$ )

# Resonant Circularly-polarized X-ray Diffraction

- Experimental (@ BL19LXU, SPring-8)
  - Energy: 8.996 keV ( $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  K-edge)
  - $T = \text{Room temperature}$
  - Sample with SG:  $P6_122$  and  $P6_522$ 
    - Crystallographic chirality was determined by X-ray oscillation photograph

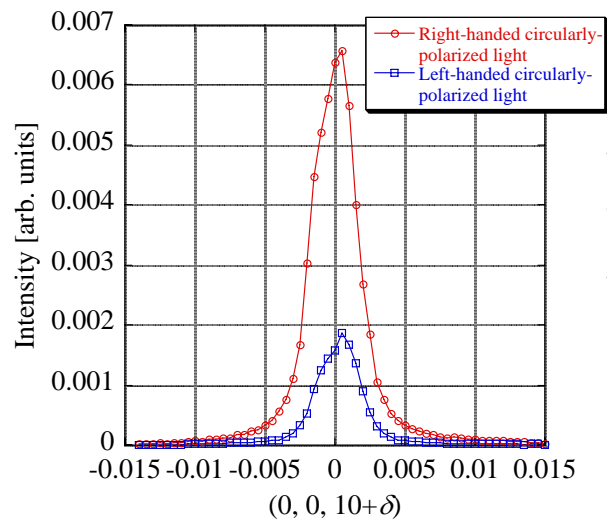




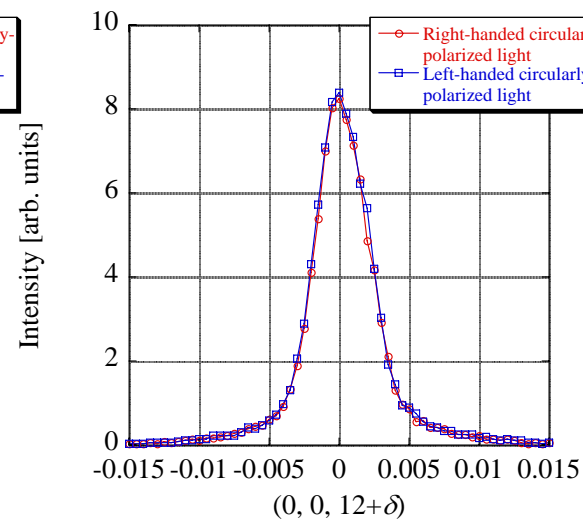
# Resonant Circularly-polarized X-ray Diffraction

- Reciprocal lattice scan with  $P6_122$  sample

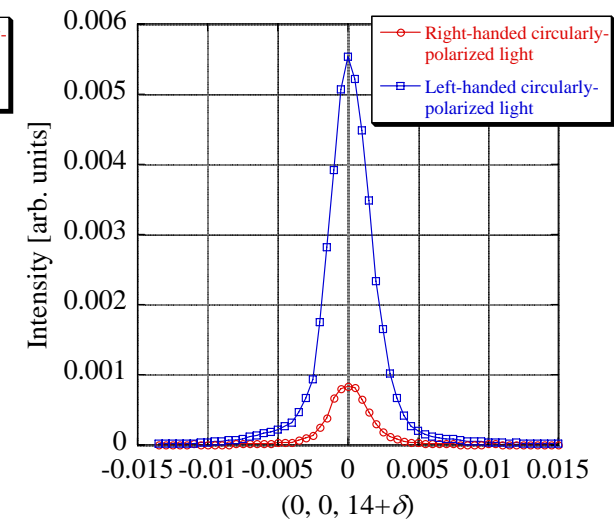
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**(0,0,12)**



**(0,0,14)**

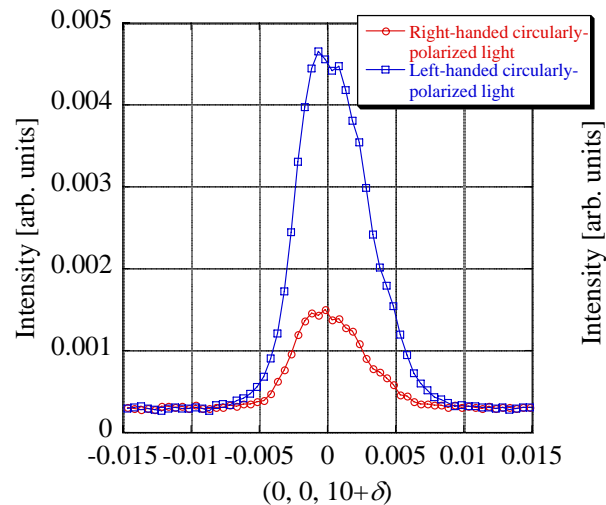


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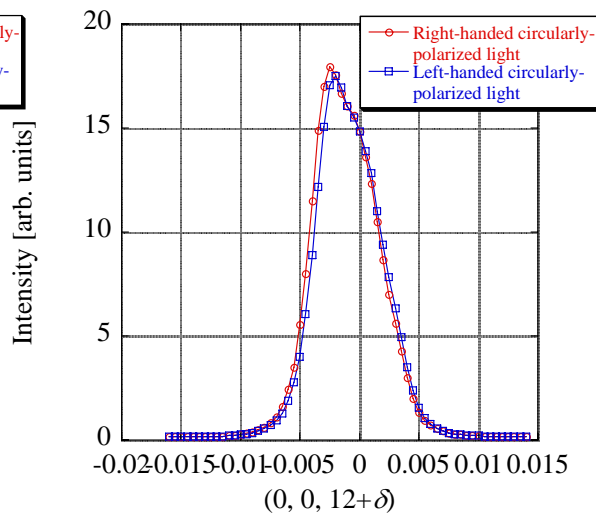
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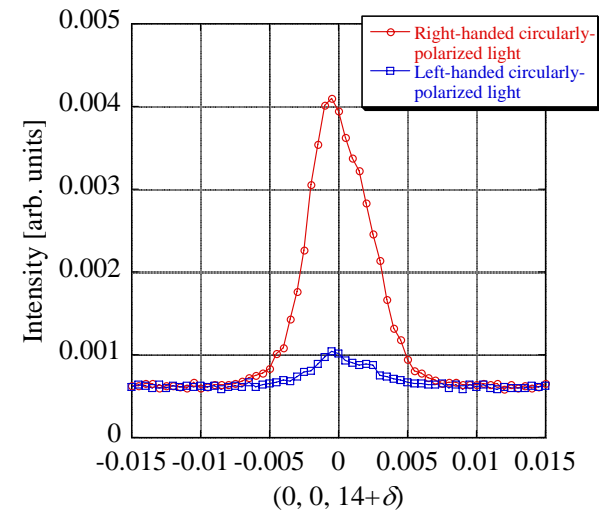
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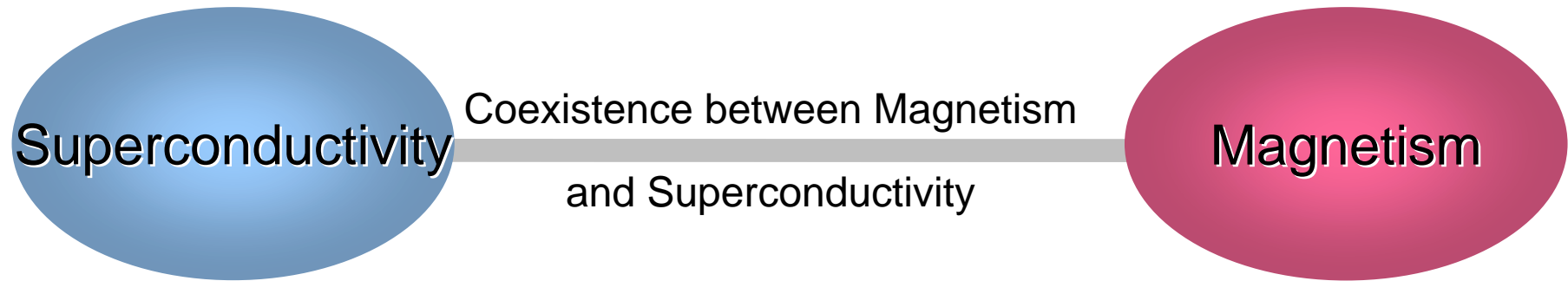
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**Intensities in  $(0,0,6n \pm 2)$  are flipped by the change of crystallographic chirality**

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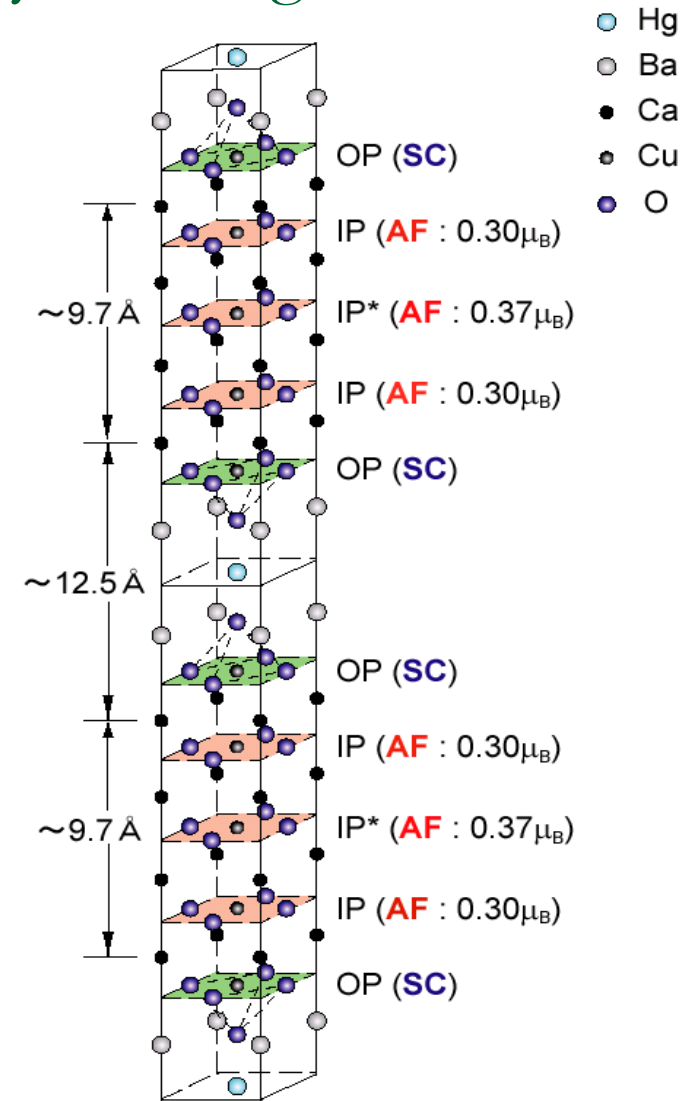
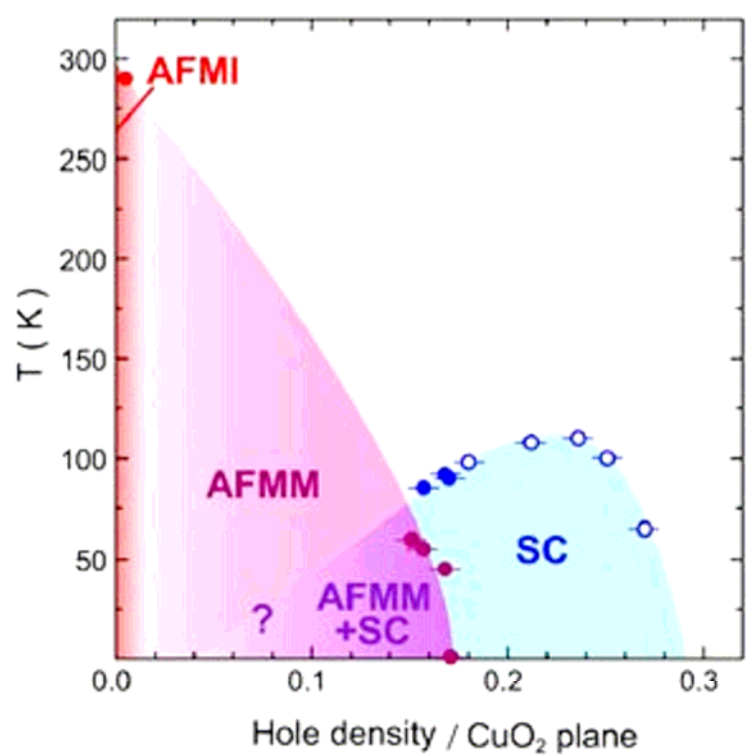
# Phase Diagram



# Coexistence between superconductivity and magnetism

Hg-1245 system

( $T_c=108\text{K}$ ; 5- $\text{CuO}_2$  plane)

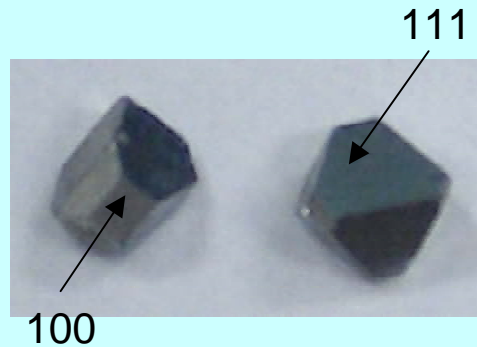


By Kitaoka group

# Coexistence between superconductivity and magnetism



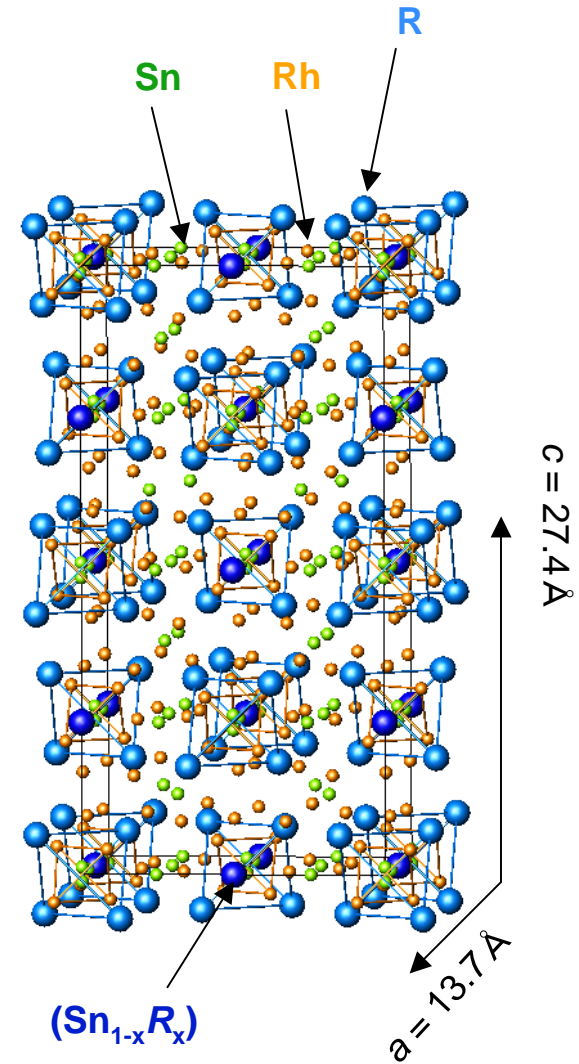
Single crystal



Crystal size;  $3 \times 3 \times 5\text{mm}$

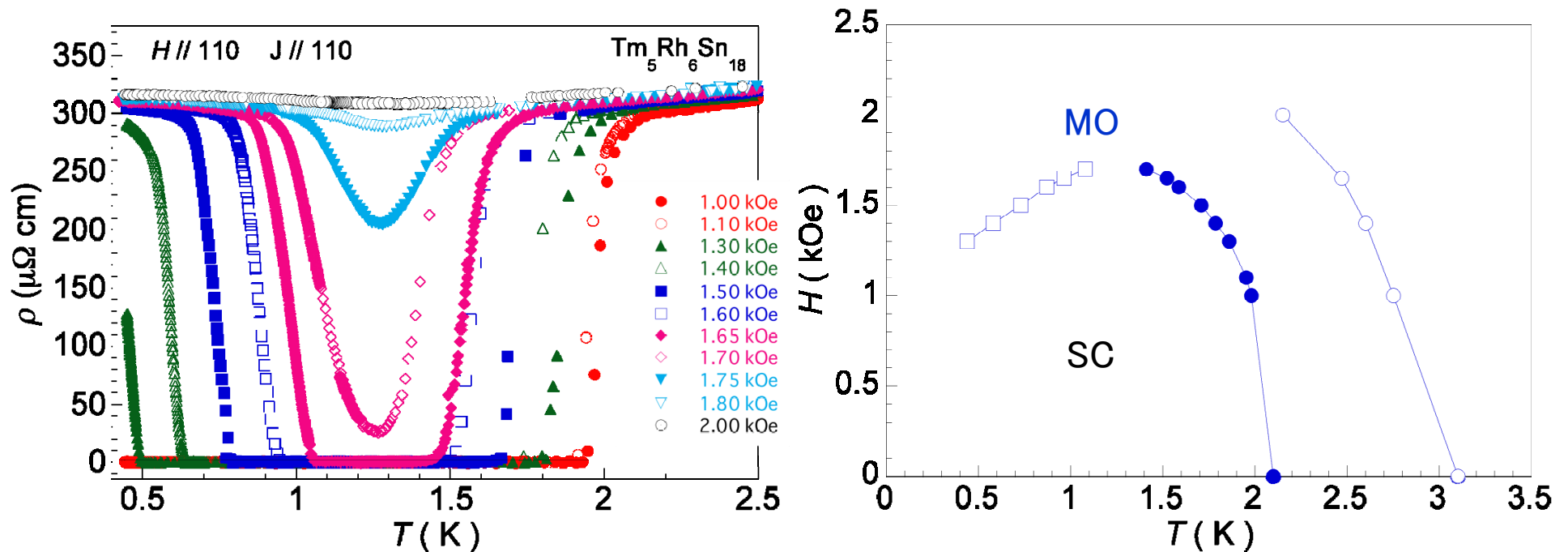


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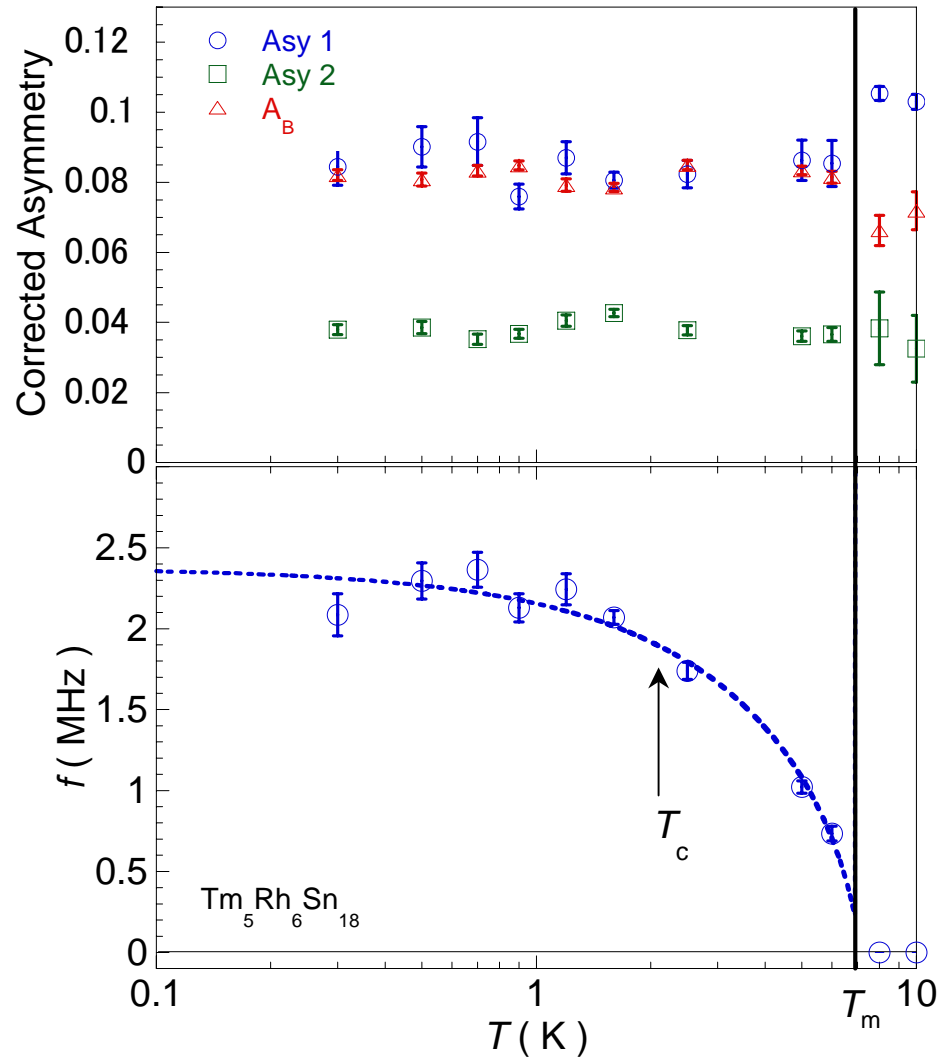
# Coexistence between superconductivity and magnetism

Resistivity under magnetic fields and H-T phase diagram in  $\text{Tm}_5\text{Rh}_6\text{Sn}_{18}$



“Reentrant superconductivity” was observed at low temperature.

# mSR measurement



Fitting function

$$A_1 \exp(-\lambda_1 t) \cos(ft + \delta) + A_2 \exp(-\lambda_2 t) + A_B$$

$$A_1 / (A_1 + A_2) = 0.67$$

Magnetic Volume Function is ~100 %

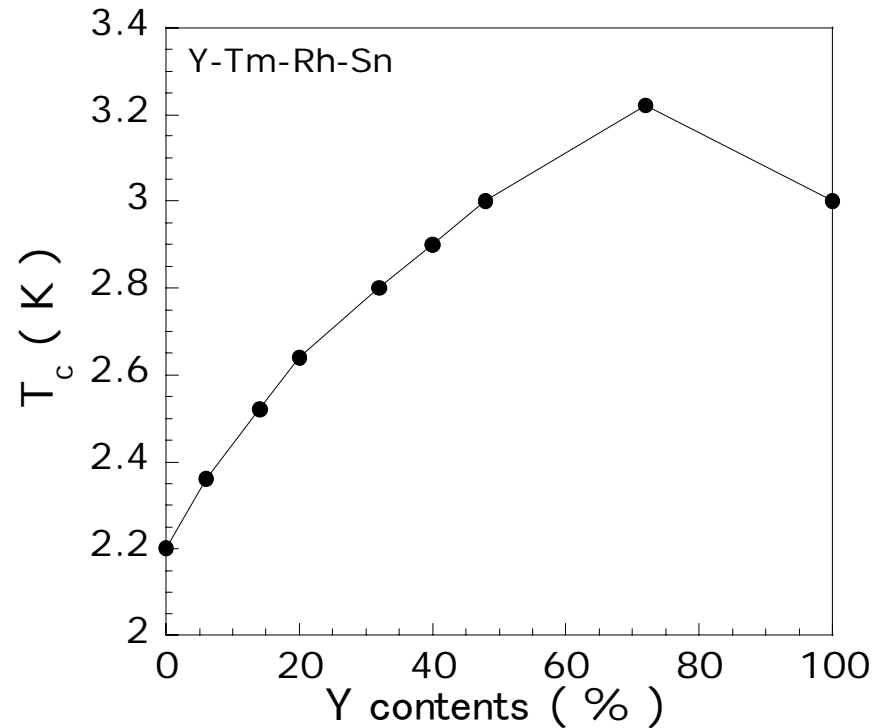
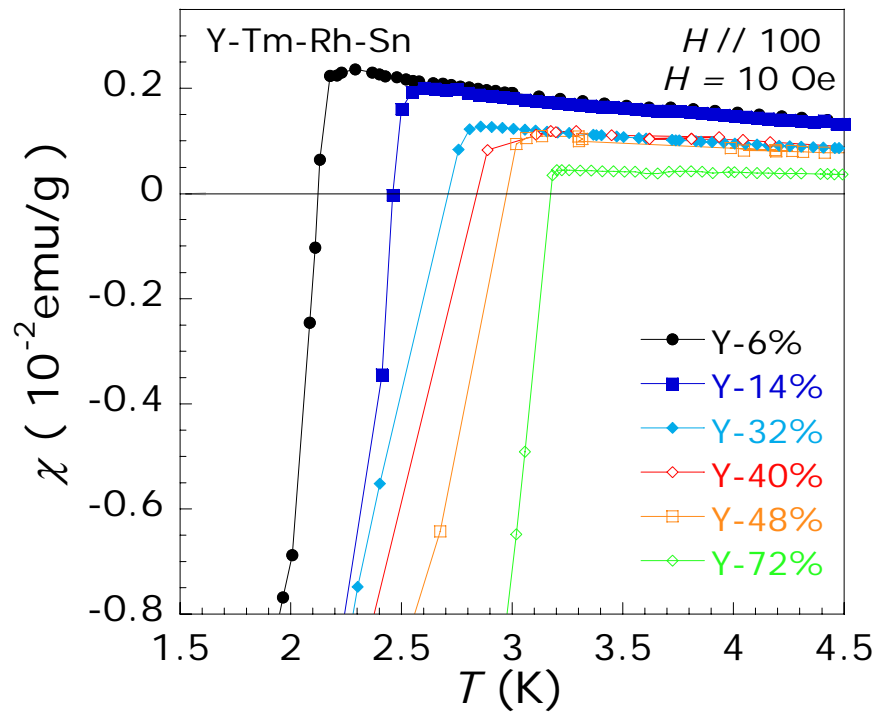
$$f = f(0)(1 - T/T_m)^\beta \quad f = \gamma H$$

Internal magnetic field,  $H = 170$  Oe

$$T_m = 6.7 \text{ K}$$

$T_m$  is corresponding to  $T_M$  obtained from specific heat measurement.

# Superconductivity in $(Y,Tm)_5Rh_6Sn_{18}$

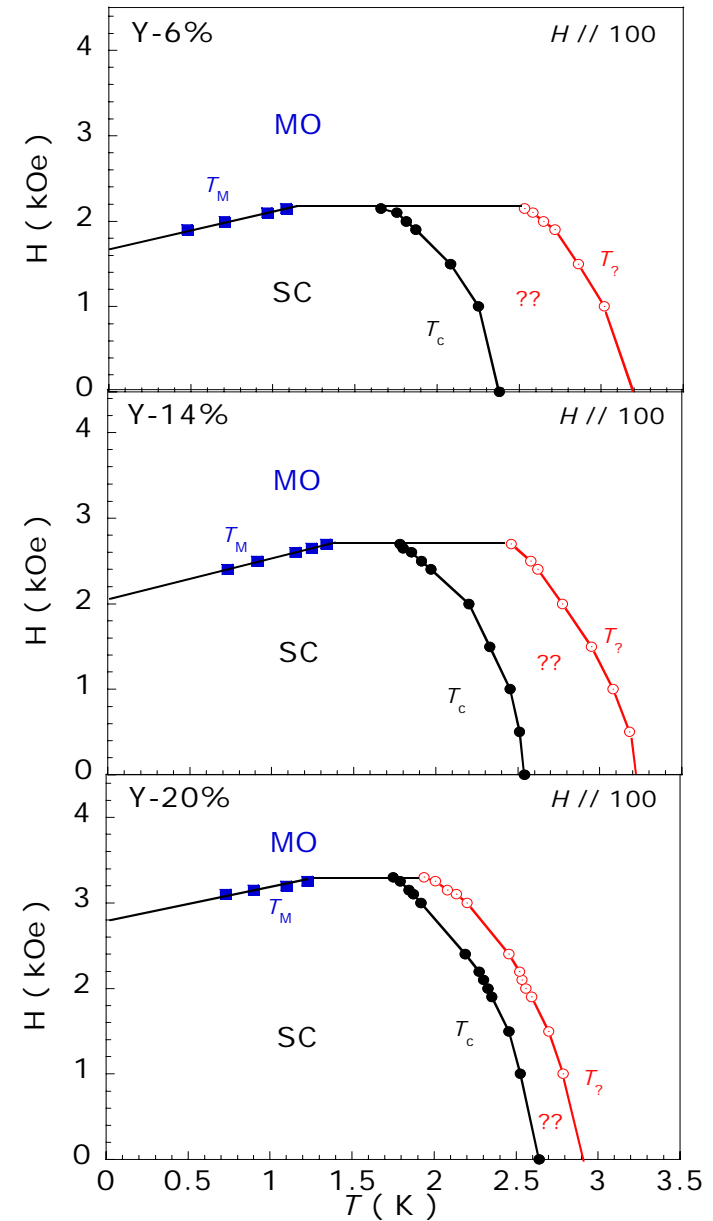
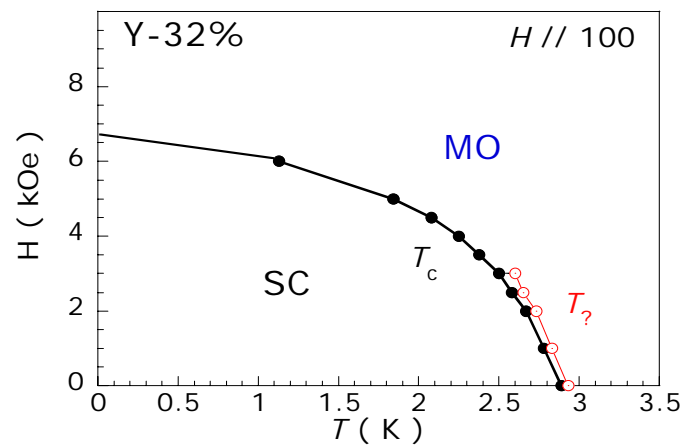


- $T_c$  is changed by Y-doping to Tm site.



# H-T phase diagrams of $(Y,Tm)_5Rh_6Sn_{18}$

- By Y-doping
  - The region of SC is enlarged.
  - Reentrant SC state is disappeared at 32% doping.



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# Phase Diagram



Superconductivity

From Bond to Band  
From Real Space Pairing to  
Reciprocal Lattice Pairing

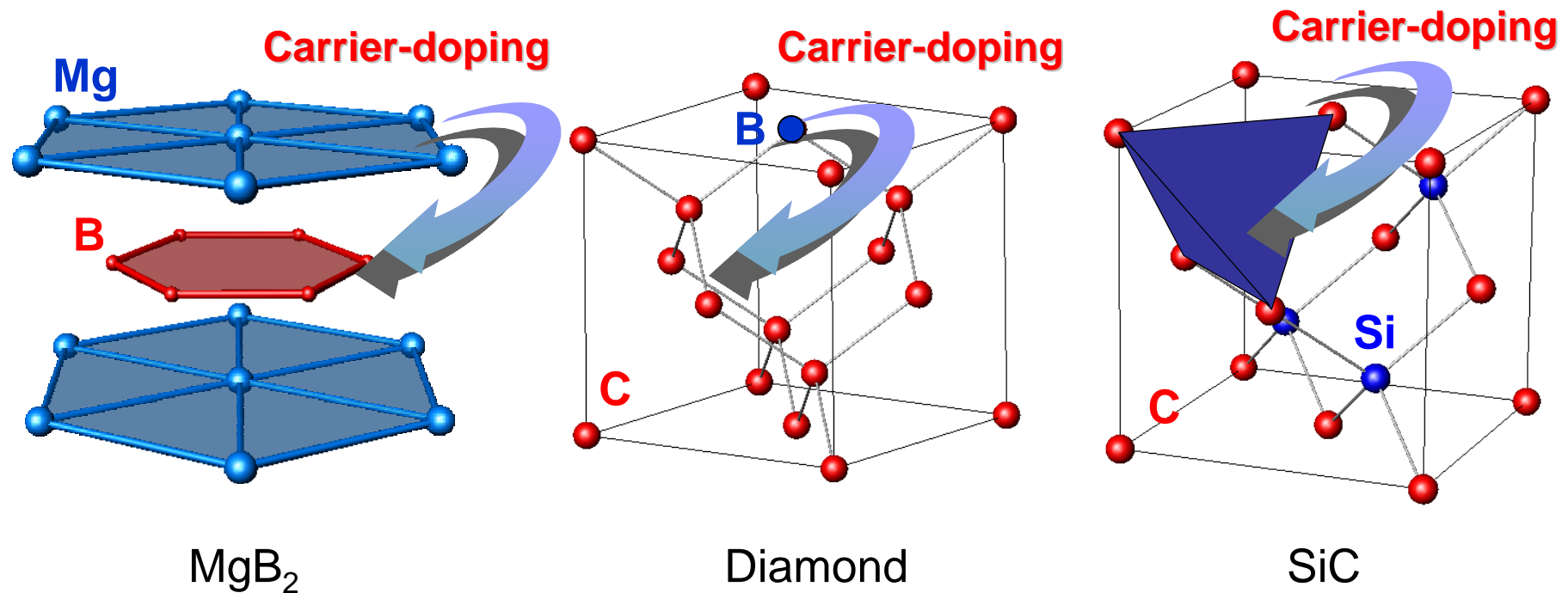


Polarizability



# From bond to band (by H. Fukuyama)

Superconductivity in B-doped diamond, SiC and MgB<sub>2</sub>.



Covalent bonds become bands by carrier-doping.

# Superconductivity in B-doped SiC

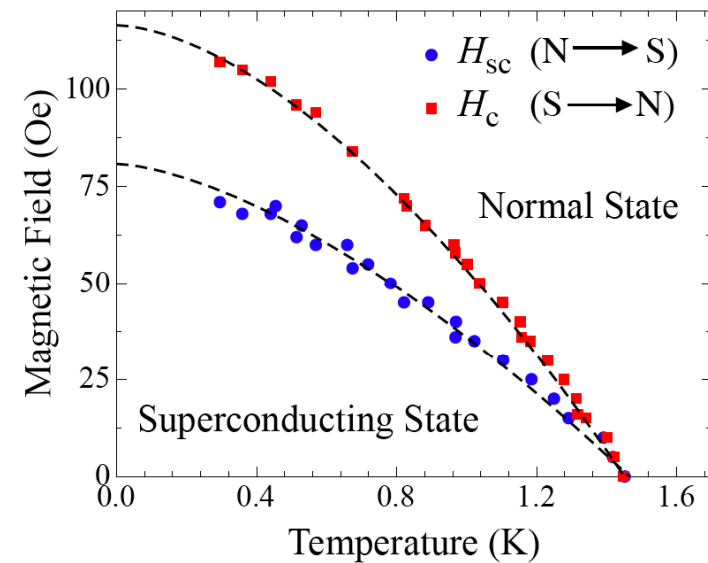
- $T_c \sim 1.4\text{K}$ 
  - $\Delta T_c: 0.15\text{K}$
- Hole carrier
  - $1.06\text{-}1.91 \times 10^{21} \text{ cm}^{-3}$
  - B-substitution is 2.2-3.9 at%
- Type-I SC state
  - No T-hysteresis was observed under zero field.
  - The degree of T-hysteresis was enhanced with decreasing temperature.
  - $H_c = 115\text{Oe (S} \rightarrow \text{N)}$ ,  
 $H_{sc} = 85\text{Oe (N} \rightarrow \text{S)}$



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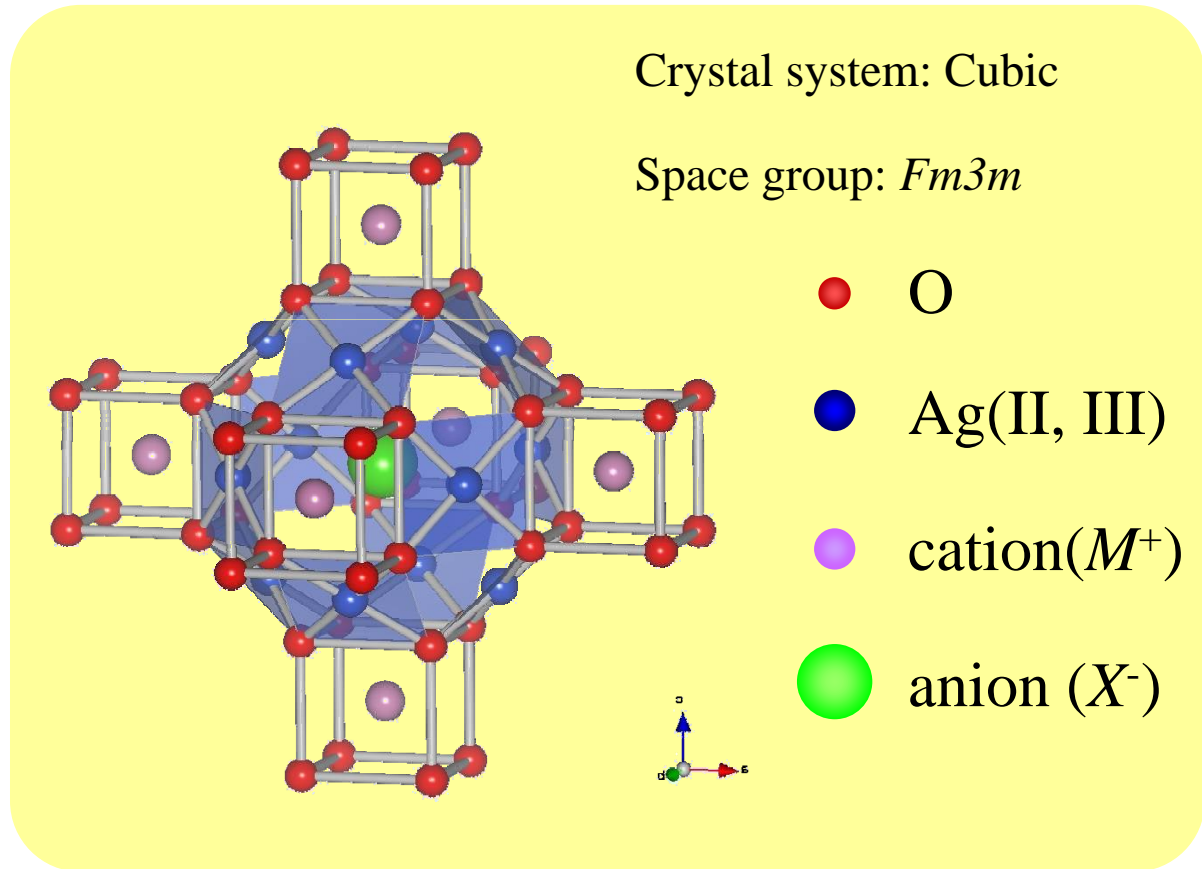
# Crystal structure of $\text{Ag}_6\text{O}_8\text{MX}$

The silver-oxide  $\text{Ag}_6\text{O}_8\text{MX}$  (M = cation, X = anion) has a clathrate-type structure which consists of face sharing  $\text{Ag}_6\text{O}_8$  cage containing anion ( $\text{X}^-$ ) at its center.



K. Kawashima

- $\text{Ag}_6\text{O}_8\text{AgNO}_3$  ( $T_c=1.04$  K)
- $\text{Ag}_6\text{O}_8\text{AgBF}_4$  ( $T_c=0.35$  K)
- $\text{Ag}_6\text{O}_8\text{AgHF}_2$  ( $T_c=0.15\sim 1.5$  K)
- $\text{Ag}_6\text{O}_8\text{AgHSO}_4$
- $\text{Ag}_6\text{O}_8\text{AgHCO}_3$
- $\text{Ag}_6\text{O}_8\text{AgClO}_4$



- [1] J. Selbin *et al.*, J. Inorg. Nucl. Chem., **20** (1961) 91.  
[2] M. B. Robin *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. **17** (1966) 917.  
[3] M. Jansen *et al.*, J. Alloys and Compounds **183** (1992) 45.

# Normal state of $\text{Ag}_6\text{O}_8\text{AgNO}_3$ and $\text{Ag}_6\text{O}_8\text{AgHF}_2$

## $\text{Ag}_6\text{O}_8\text{AgNO}_3$

$\text{Ag}_6\text{O}_8\text{AgNO}_3$  shows phase transitions near 90 K and 180 K.

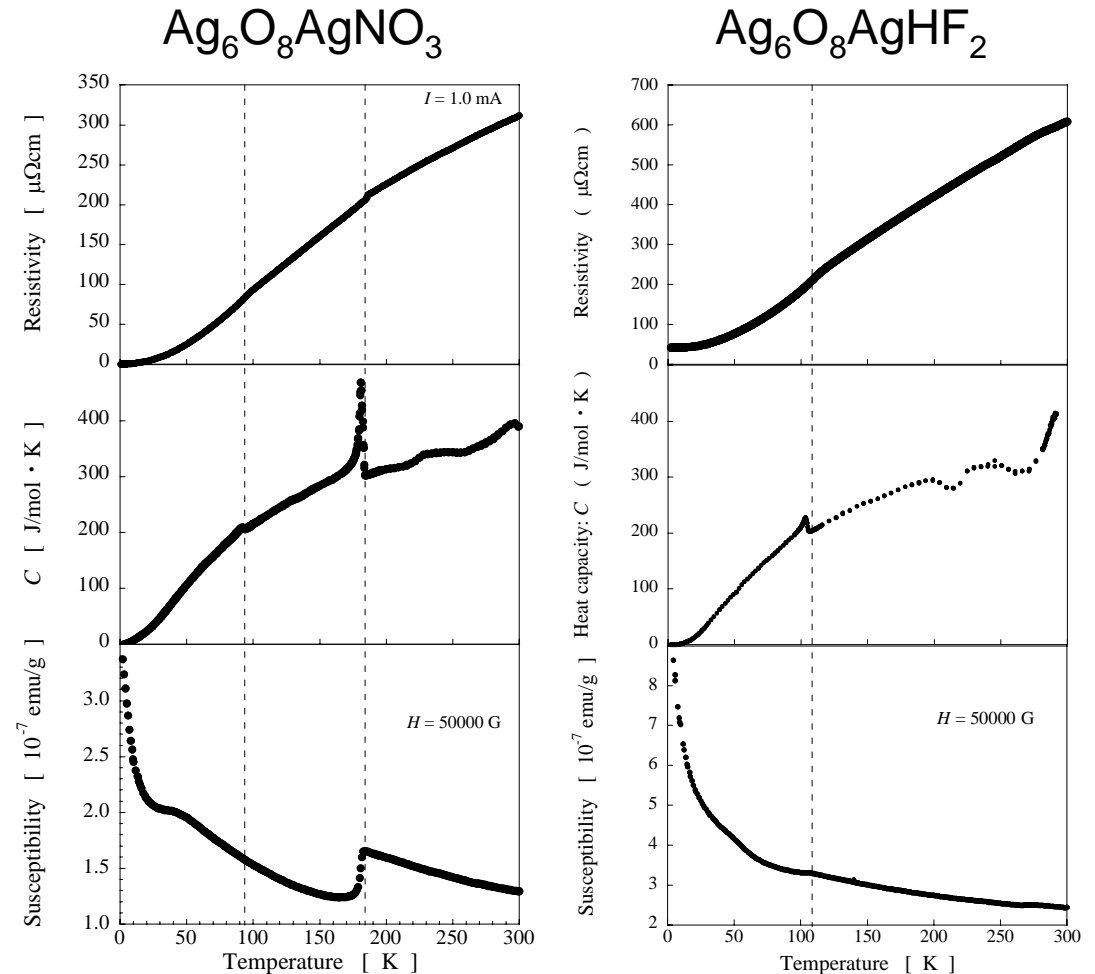
180 K: Structural phase-transition from Cubic to Tetragonal.

(We confirmed this transition using X-ray diffraction).

90 K: Small phase transition: stopping of  $\text{NO}_3^-$  ions rotation?

## $\text{Ag}_6\text{O}_8\text{AgHF}_2$

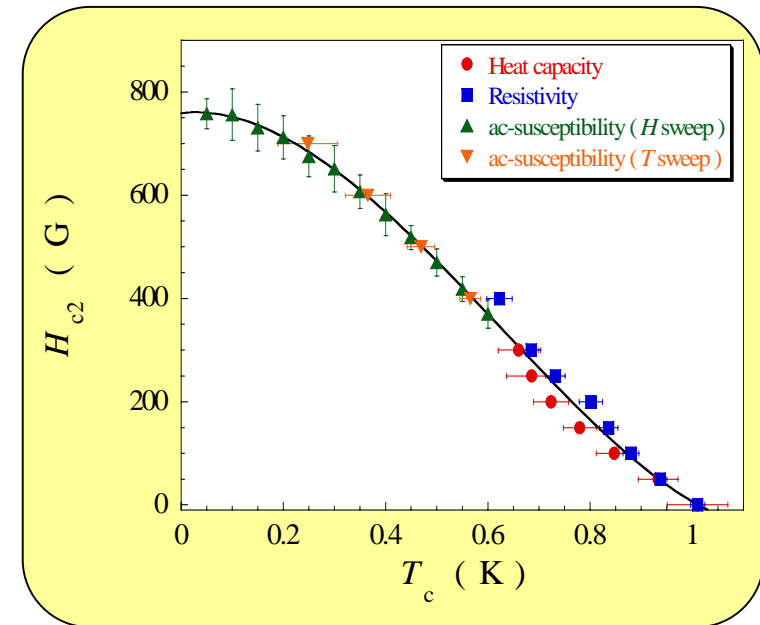
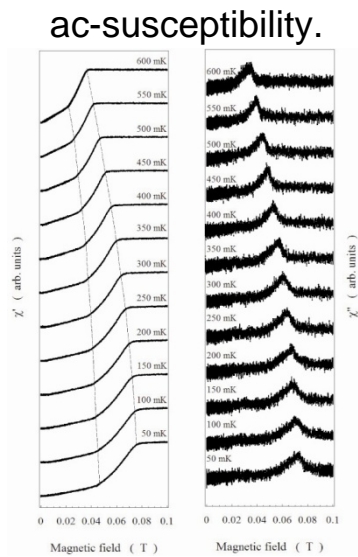
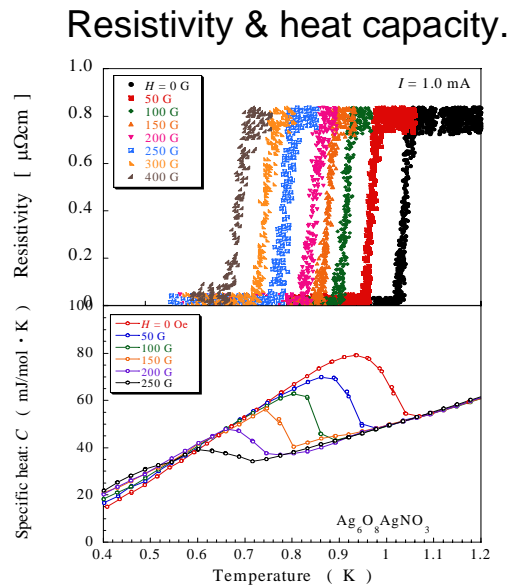
$\text{Ag}_6\text{O}_8\text{AgHF}_2$  shows phase transition near 110 K. We consider that this transition is generated by stop of  $\text{HF}_2^-$  ions spin like  $\text{Ag}_6\text{O}_8\text{AgNO}_3$  material.



# Superconducting state of $\text{Ag}_6\text{O}_8\text{AgNO}_3$ and $\text{Ag}_6\text{O}_8\text{AgHF}_2$

## $\text{Ag}_6\text{O}_8\text{AgNO}_3$

$\text{Ag}_6\text{O}_8\text{AgNO}_3$  shows superconducting transition at 1.04 K as described in a previous report. We determine a upper critical field:  $H_{c2}$  to be 770 Oe and calculated coherence length:  $\zeta$  to be 42.5 nm.

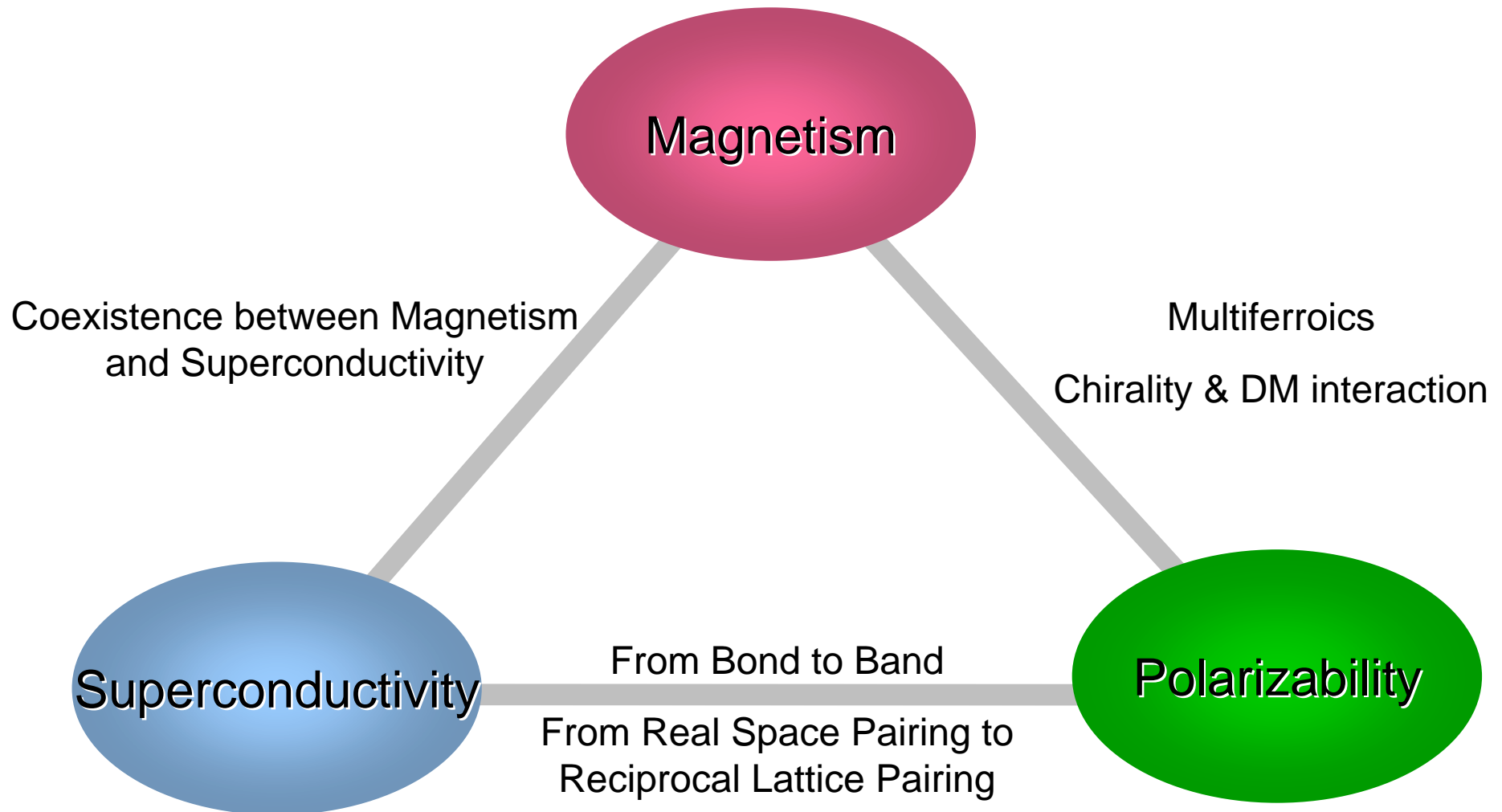


## $\text{Ag}_6\text{O}_8\text{AgHF}_2$

We confirmed superconducting transition at 1.5 K more clear than previous report and performed some measurements to elucidate superconducting state in  $\text{Ag}_6\text{O}_8\text{AgHF}_2$ .

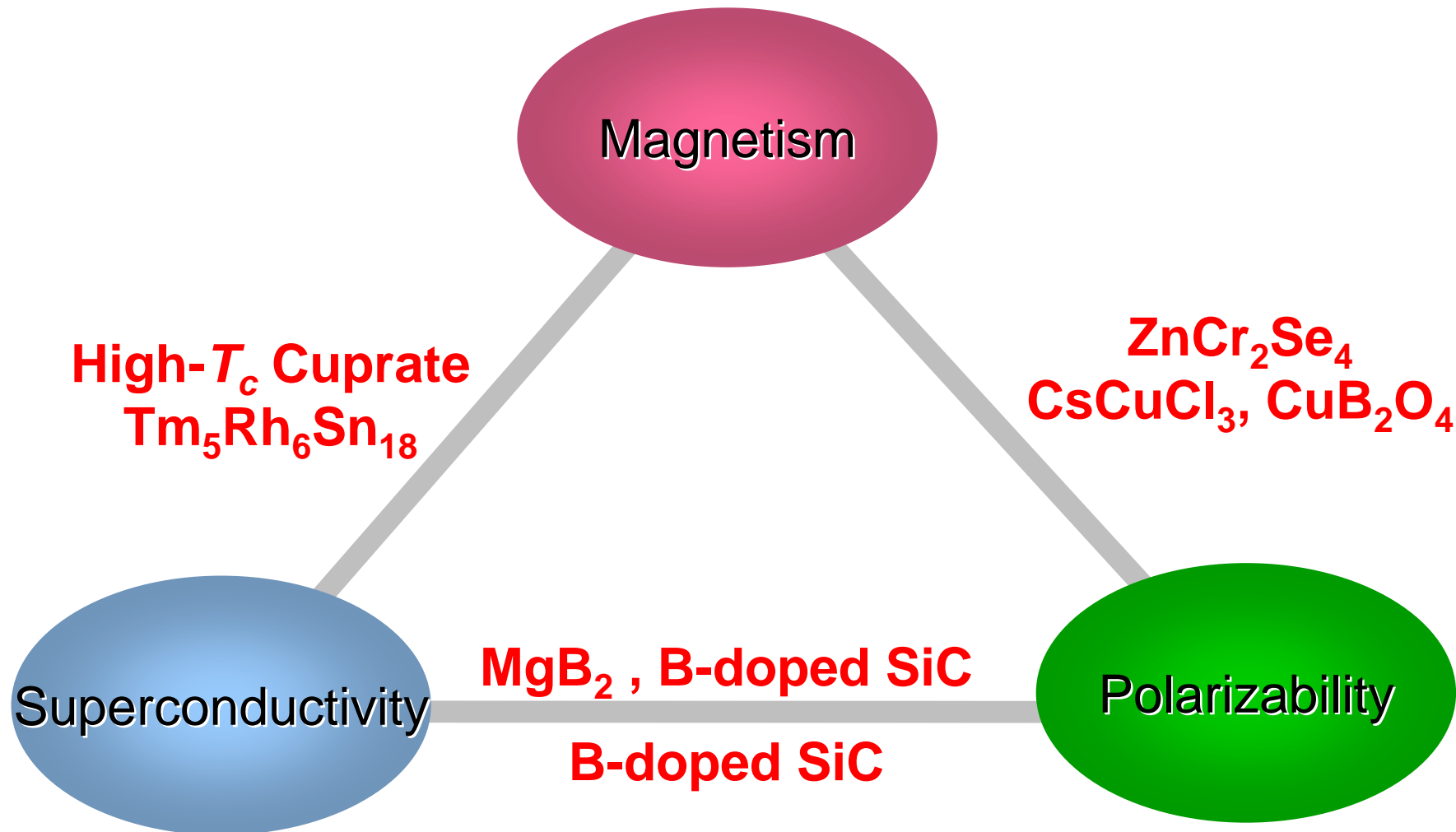
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## Conclusion





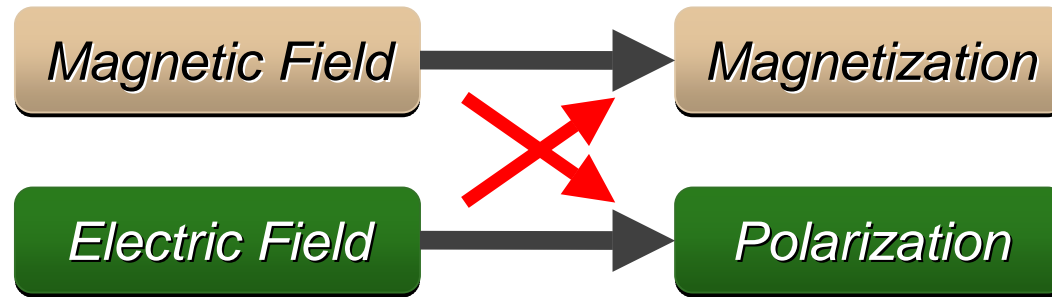
## Conclusion





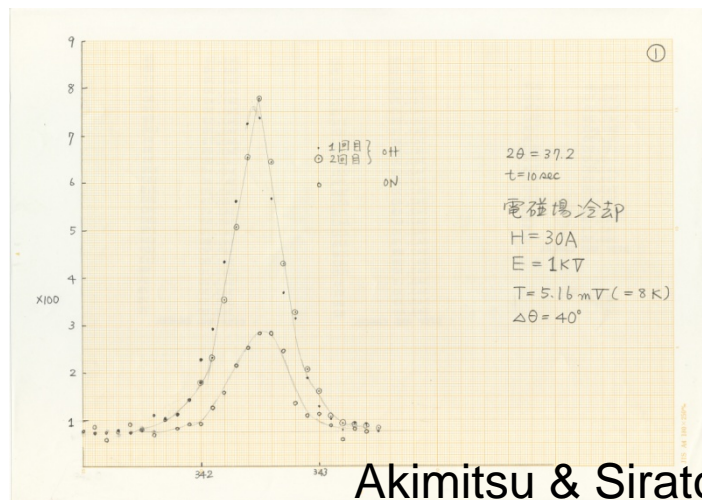
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# Multiferroics



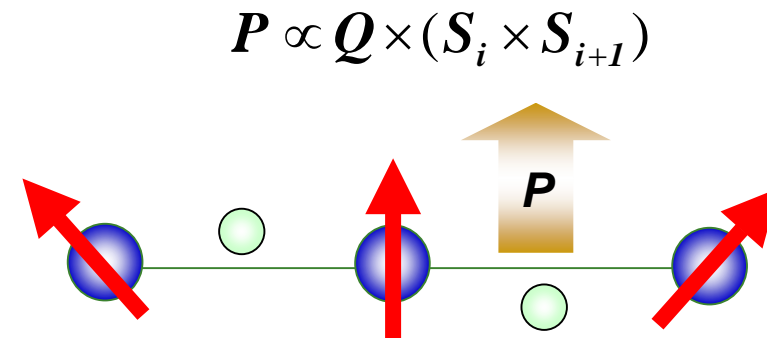
- $\text{ZnCr}_2\text{Se}_4$ 
  - Controlling magnetic chiral domains with electric polarization

## Polarized Neutron Diffraction



Akimitsu & Siratori

## Inverse DM Interaction

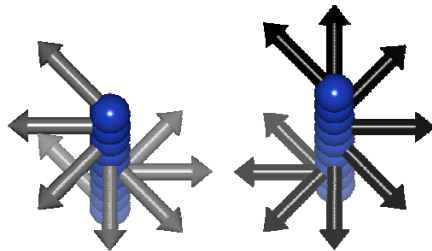


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# Chirality & DM Interaction

## Symmetric Helix

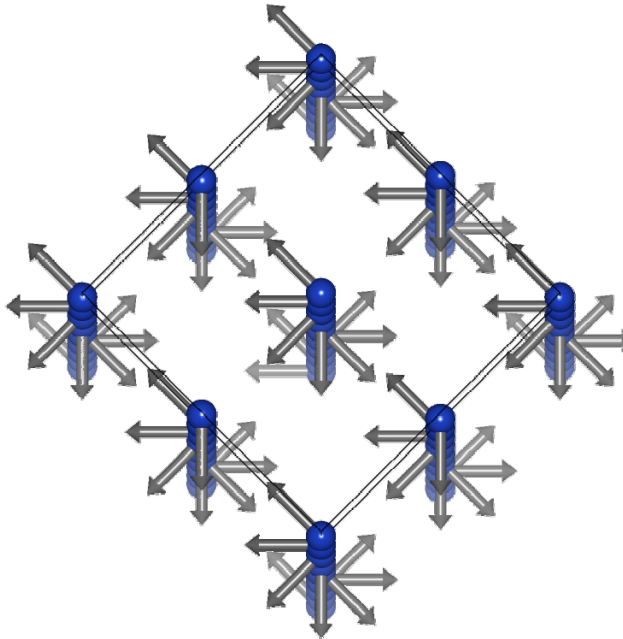
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## (Ferro)chiral Helix

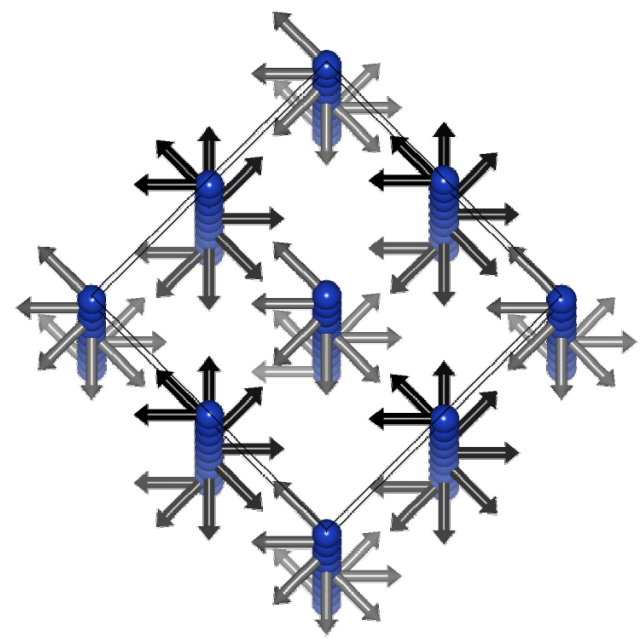
- Only right (or left) handed screw



$\text{CsCuCl}_3$

## (Antiferro)chiral Helix

- Alternating right-handed and left-handed screw



$\text{CuB}_2\text{O}_4$

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# Observation of Chirality

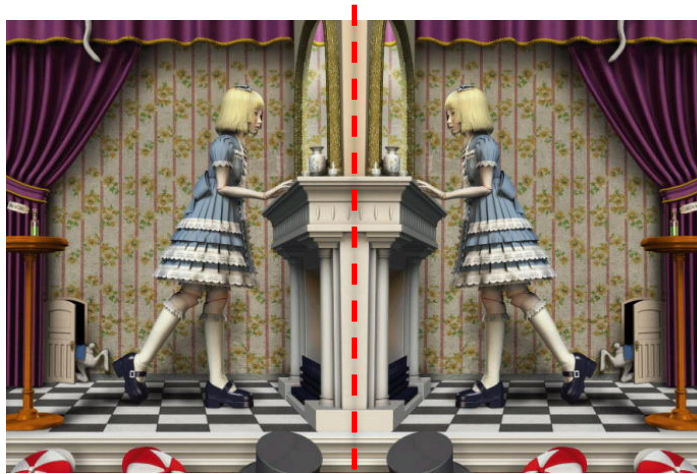
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- ❑ T. Arima (Tohoku University)



# What is “Chirality” ?

- "I call any geometrical figure, or group of points, chiral, and say it has chirality, if its image in a plane mirror, ideally realized, cannot be brought to coincide with itself."



Plane mirror

Lord Kelvin (1904)

# How to Observe Chiral Helimagnetism

## ■ Polarized Neutron Diffraction Experiments

### □ Magnetic scattering cross section

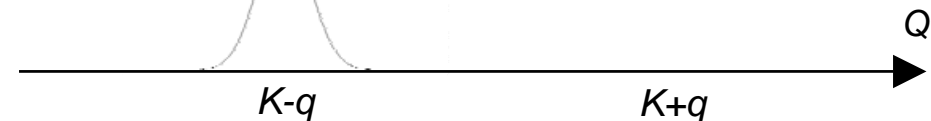
$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right) = A|S|^2 \left[ \begin{array}{l} \left\{ 1 + (Q \cdot q)^2 + 2(Q \cdot q)(P \cdot Q) \right\} \delta(Q = K - q) \\ + \left\{ 1 + (Q \cdot q)^2 - 2(Q \cdot q)(P \cdot Q) \right\} \delta(Q = K + q) \end{array} \right] \left\{ \begin{array}{l} Q : \text{Scattering vector} \\ q : \text{Magnetic propagation vector} \\ P : \text{Neutron spin direction} \end{array} \right.$$

M. Blume *et al.*

### □ Neutron spin $P$ is parallel to $Q$

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right) = 4A|S|^2 \quad \text{at } Q = K - q$$

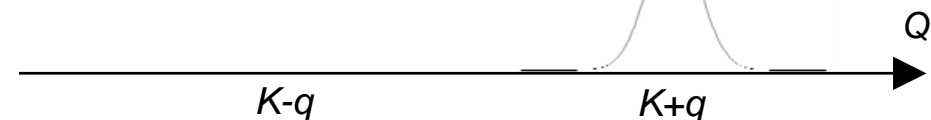
$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right) = 0 \quad \text{at } Q = K + q$$



### □ Neutron spin $P$ is antiparallel to $Q$

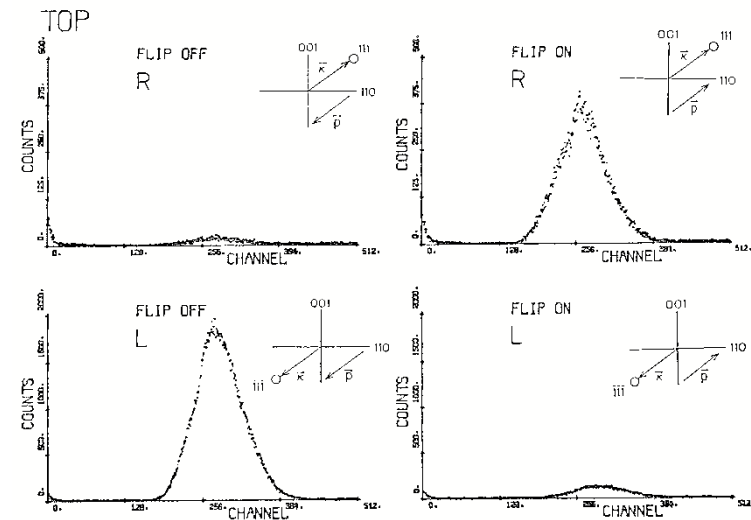
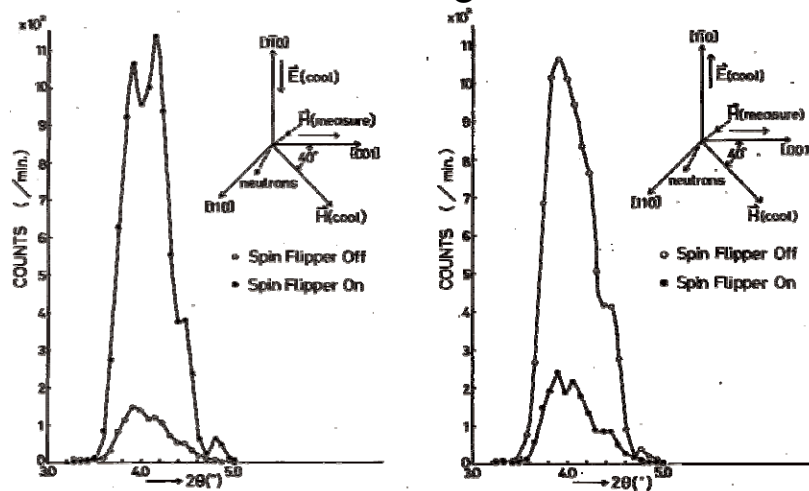
$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right) = 0 \quad \text{at } Q = K - q$$

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right) = 4A|S|^2 \quad \text{at } Q = K + q$$



# How to Observe Chiral Helimagnetism

- Polarized Neutron Diffraction Experiments
  - Comparing magnetic satellite intensities between up-spin neutron and down-spin neutron
    - $\text{ZnCr}_2\text{Se}_4$
    - MnSi
    - $\text{TbMnO}_3$



$\text{ZnCr}_2\text{Se}_4$ , K. Siratori and J. Akimitsu *et al.*: J. Phys. Soc. Jpn. 48 (1980) 1111.

MnSi, M. Ishida *et al.*: J. Phys. Soc. Jpn. 54 (1985) 2975.



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# Circularly-polarized X-ray Diffraction

- Circularly-polarized X-ray Diffraction
  - New method to observe crystallographic and magnetic chirality
    - Crystallographic chirality can be determined by resonant X-ray diffraction method.
    - Magnetic chirality can be also determined by non-resonant magnetic X-ray diffraction method
    - Circularly-polarization cannot be destroyed by an applied magnetic field

# Circularly-polarized X-ray Diffraction

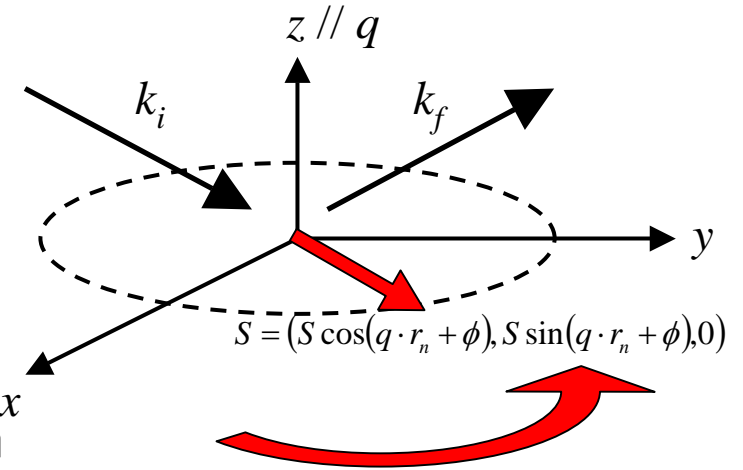
- Asymmetric Magnetic Satellites

- Polarized Neutron Diffraction

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right) = A|S|^2 \left[ \begin{array}{l} (1+P)\delta(Q=K-q) \\ + (1-P)\delta(Q=K+q) \end{array} \right]$$

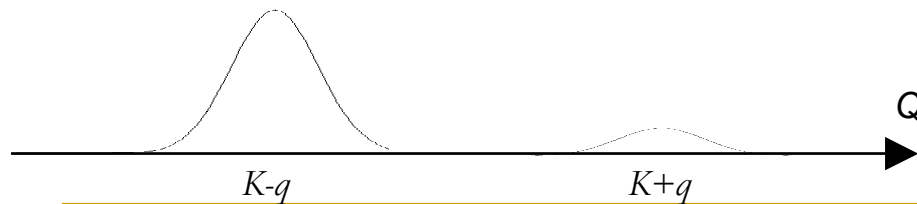
- Circularly-polarized X-ray Diffraction

$$\left(\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}\right) = A'|S|^2 \left[ \begin{array}{l} \{(1+P \sin \theta) \sin \theta \cos \theta\}^2 \delta(Q=K-q) \\ + \{(1-P \sin \theta) \sin \theta \cos \theta\}^2 \delta(Q=K+q) \end{array} \right]$$

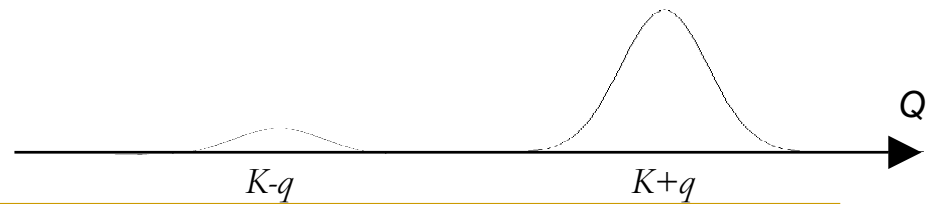


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- $P = 1$  (Up-spin or right-handed)

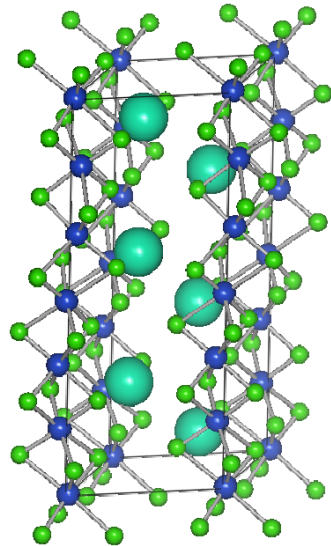


- $P = -1$  (Down-spin or left-handed)

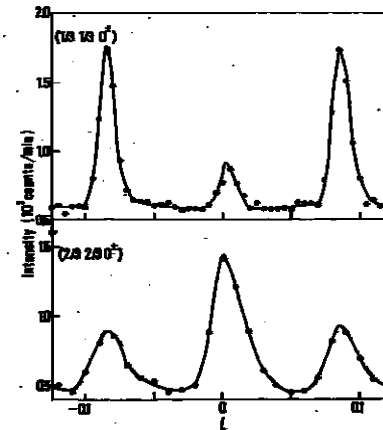


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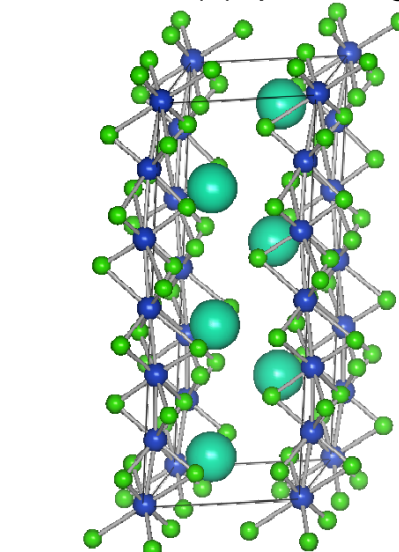
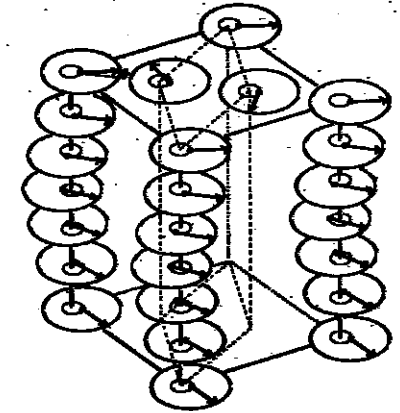
- $\text{CsCuCl}_3$ 
  - Chiral Crystal Structure (SG:  $P6_122$  or  $P6_522$ )
  - Helimagnetic Structure along the  $c$ -axis ( $T < 10.5$  K)



Left-handed:  $P6_122$



$\mu = 0.58$  (1), pitch angle =  $5^\circ$  (K. Adachi *et al.*)



Right-handed:  $P6_522$

# How to Observe Crystallographic Chirality

## ■ Determination of Crystallographic Chirality

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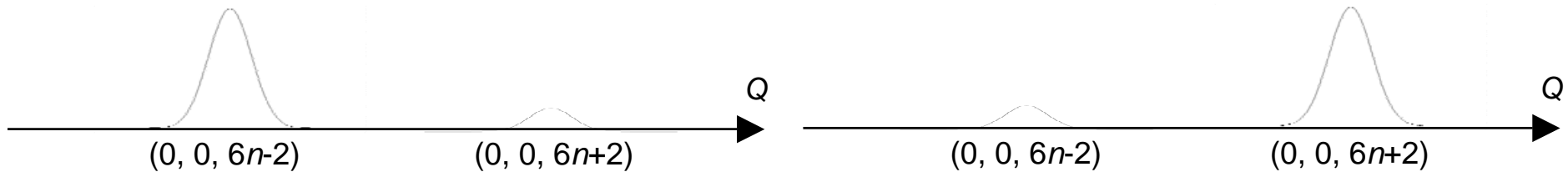
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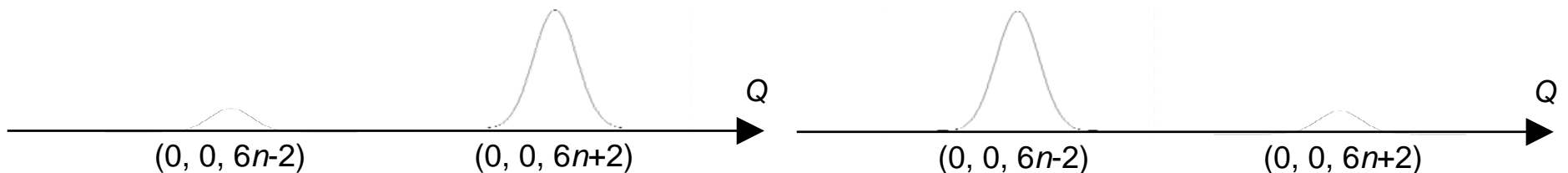
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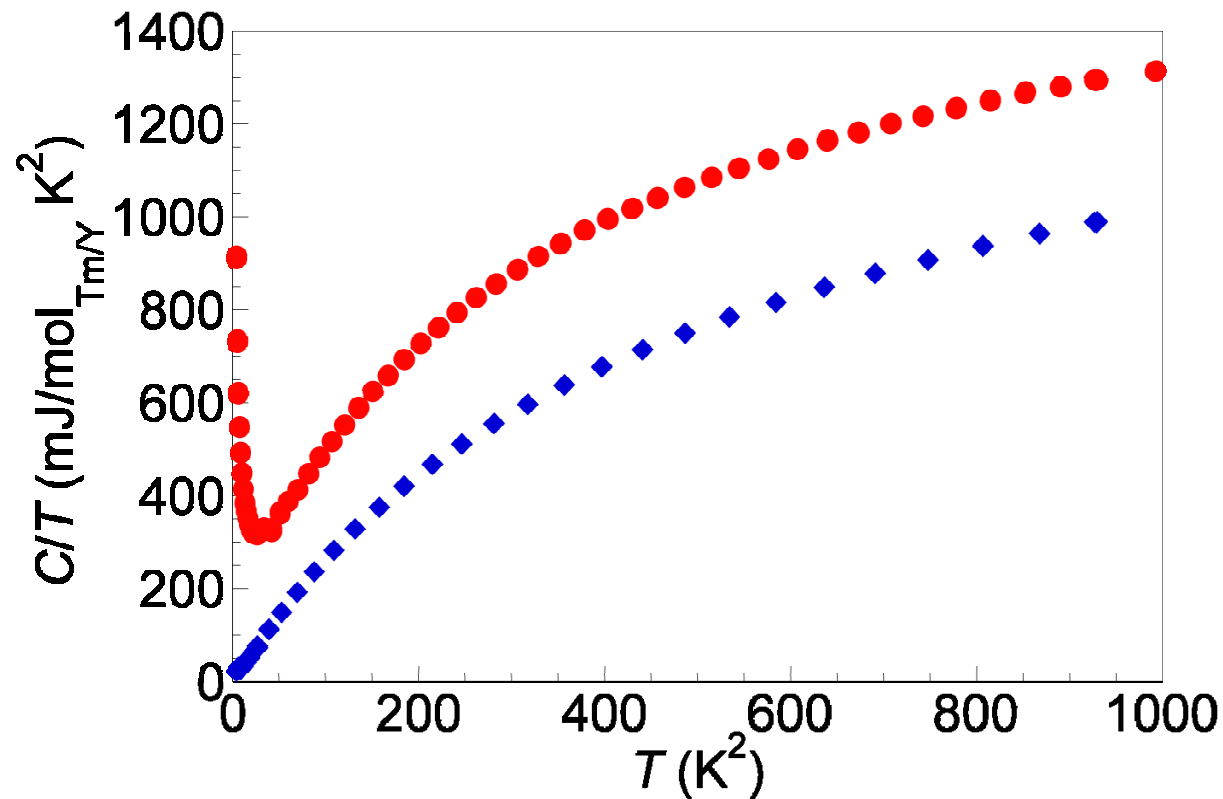
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# Summary

- Resonant Circularly-polarized X-ray Diffraction
  - We succeeded in detecting crystallographic chirality in  $\text{CsCuCl}_3$ 
    - Asymmetric peak intensities were detected between  $(0,0,6n-2)$  and  $(0,0,6n+2)$
    - Asymmetric peak intensities were flipped by the change of circularly polarization.
    - Asymmetric peak intensities were also flipped by the change of crystallographic chirality.

## Specific heat



$$\gamma_{\text{Tm}} = 250 \text{ mJ/mol}_{\text{Tm}} \text{K}^2$$

$$\gamma_{\text{Y}} = 3.0 \text{ mJ/mol}_{\text{Y}} \text{K}^2$$

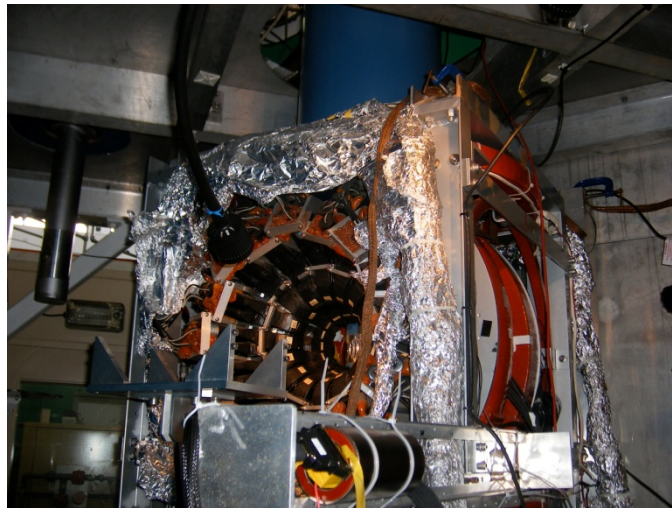
The anomaly ( $T_{\text{M}}$ ) occurs around 6 K.

The very large Sommerfeld coefficient  $\gamma_{\text{Tm}}$  was observed.

$\text{Tm}_5\text{Rh}_6\text{Sn}_{18}$  can be categorized as a “heavy fermion superconductor”.

# mSR measurement 1

@RIKEN RAL in U.K.

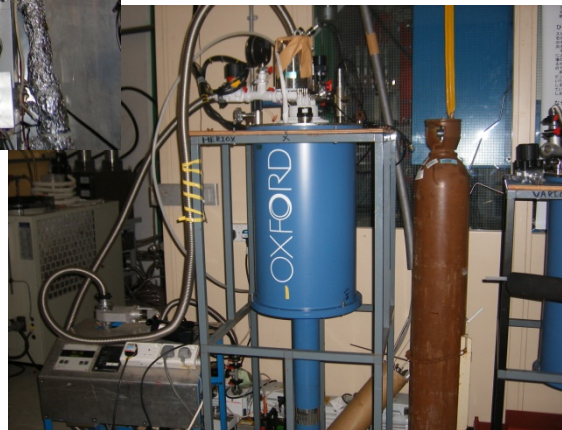


$^3\text{He}$  cryostat

ZF  $T < 0.3 \text{ K}$

LF  $H < 4.0 \text{ kOe}$

- \* RIKEN RAL  
muon factory port 2
- \* Pulse muon beam



sample



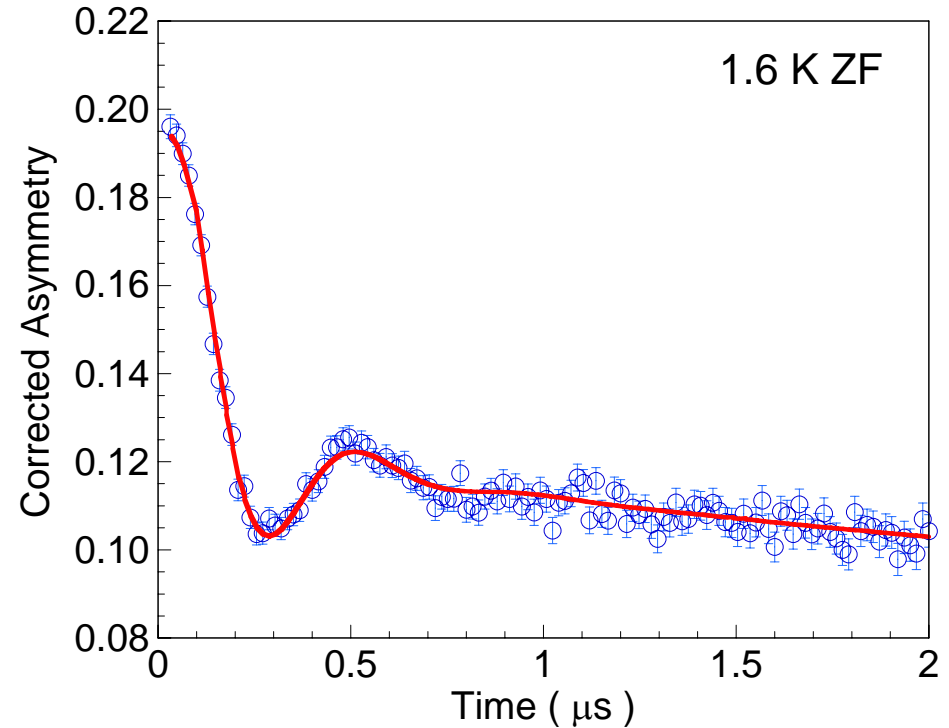
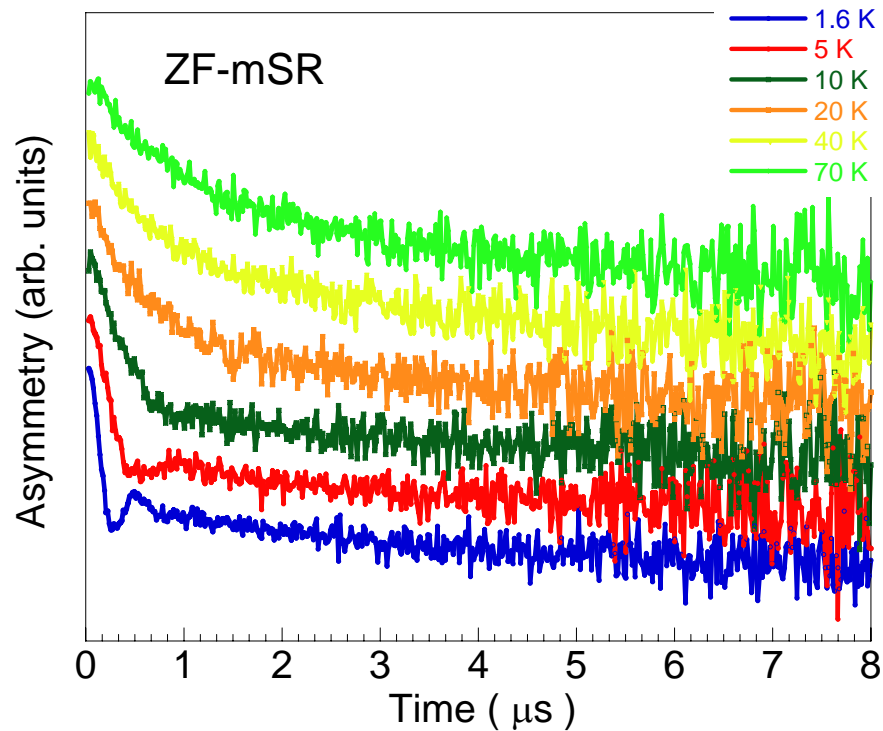
Ag foil, 99.998%, thin-  
0.1mm

Polycrystalline sample

Beam collimator,  $\phi$  25 mm



## mSR measurement 2

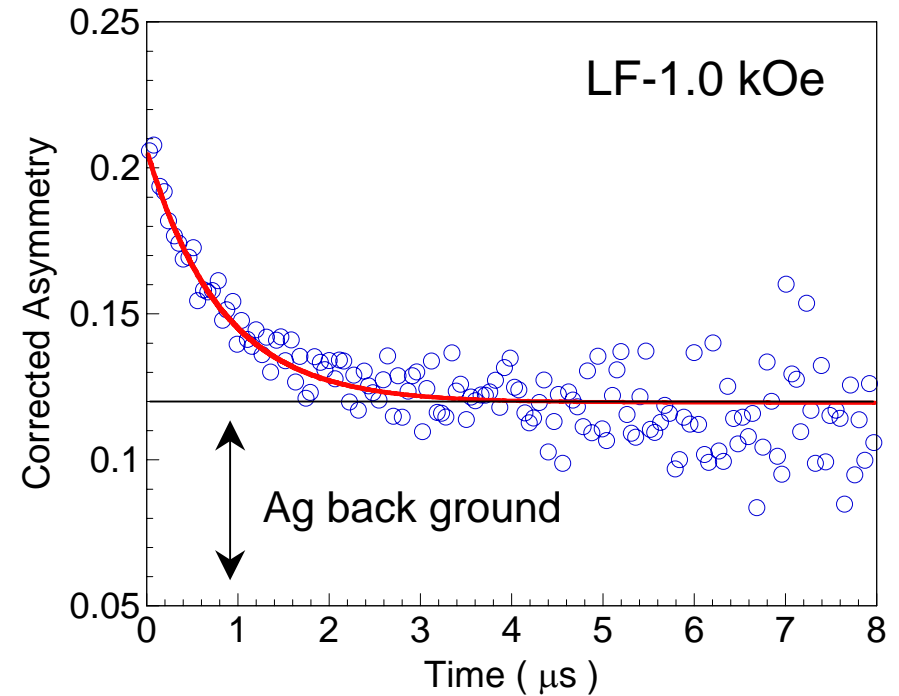
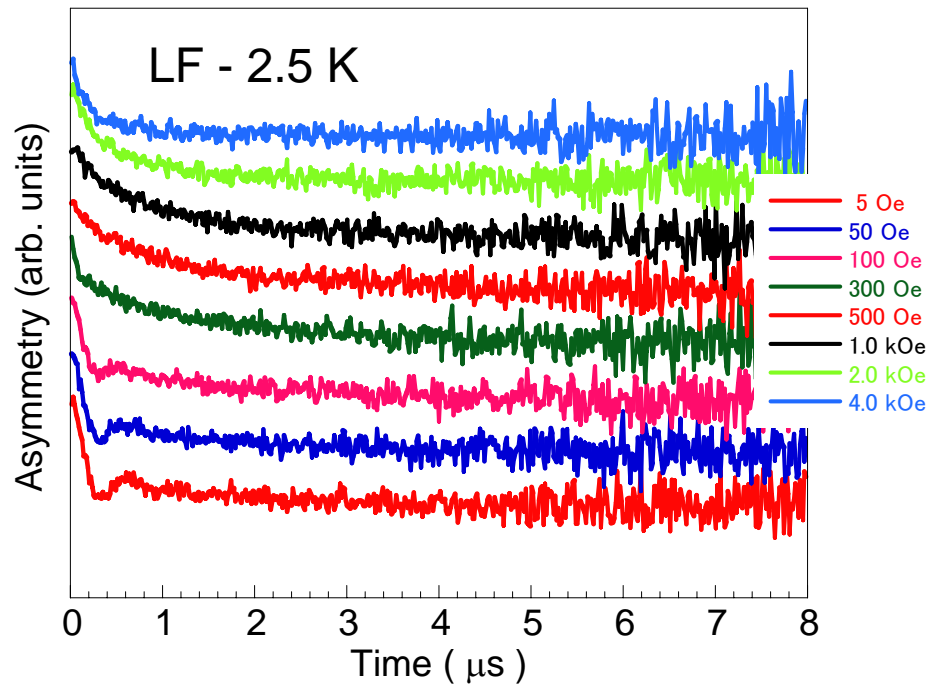


$$A_1 \exp(-\lambda_1 t) \cos(ft + \delta) + A_2 \exp(-\lambda_2 t) + A_B$$

\* No Gaussian shape was observed above  $T_m$

\* Below  $T_m = 6$  K, development of a quasi-static local magnetic field is clearly inferred from the observation of spontaneous oscillation signal in the  $\mu$  SR spectra.

# mSR measurement 4



Corrected asymmetry didn't recover under strong magnetic field ( $H > H_{\text{int}}$ ).

\* Internal magnetic field,  $H = 170$  Oe

Spin dynamics exists.

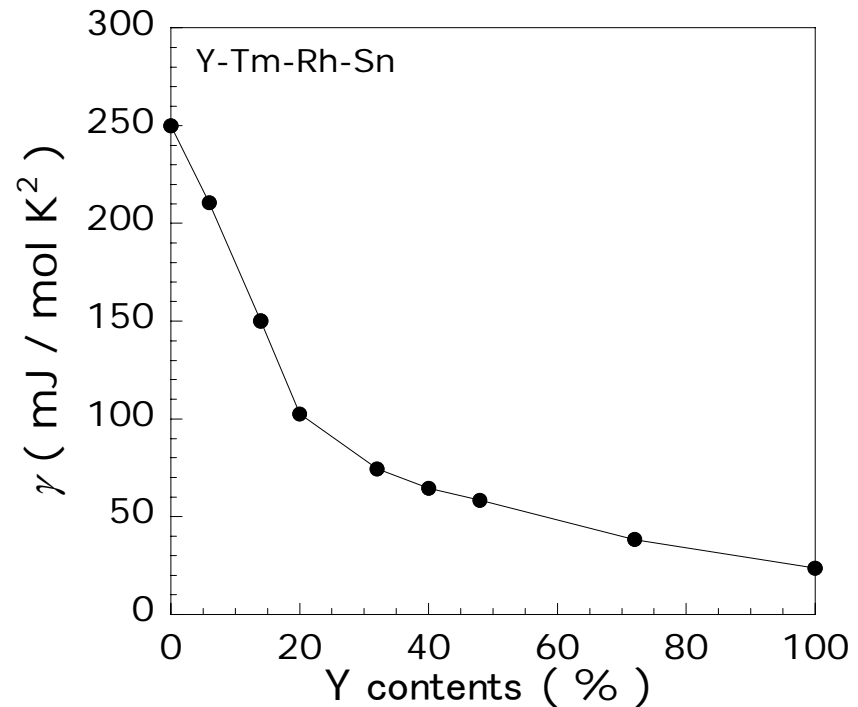
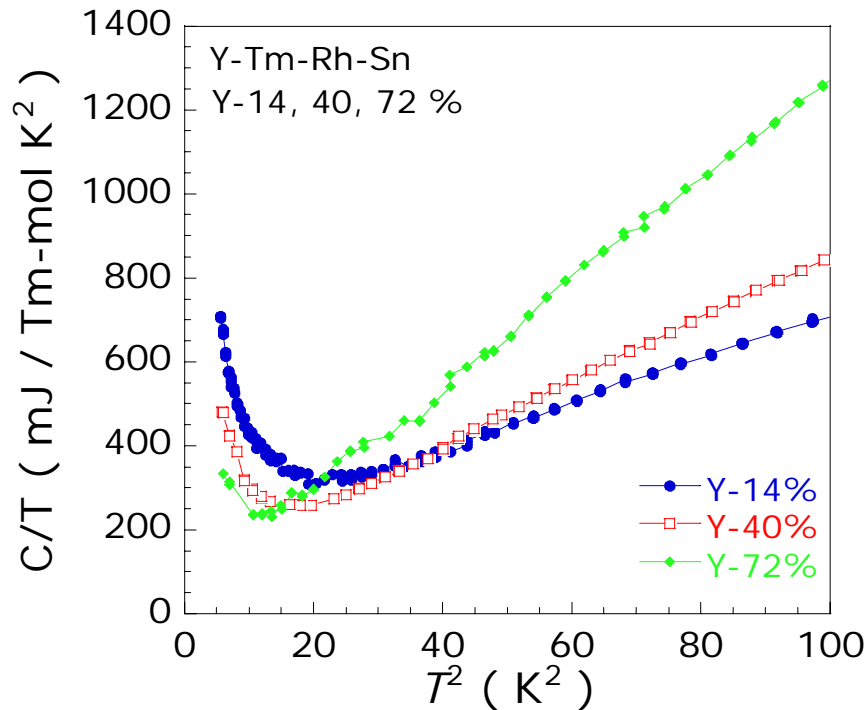
Detailed analysis of LF- $\mu$  SR measurements is currently in progress.

## Synthesis results of $(Y,Tm)_5Rh_6Sn_{18}$

### ◆ $(Y,Tm)_5Rh_6Sn_{18}$ (analysis by EPMA)

$(Y_xTm_{1-x})_5Rh_6Sn_{18}$ Nominal (Y%)	$(Y_xTm_{1-x})_5Rh_6Sn_{18}$	Y contents (%)
0 ( $Tm_5Rh_6Sn_{18}$ )	—	0
10	$(Y_{0.06}Tm_{0.94})_{5.1}Rh_6Sn_{18.8}$	6
20	$(Y_{0.14}Tm_{0.86})_{4.9}Rh_6Sn_{18.6}$	14
30	$(Y_{0.20}Tm_{0.80})_{5.0}Rh_6Sn_{18.7}$	20
40	$(Y_{0.32}Tm_{0.68})_{4.9}Rh_6Sn_{18.7}$	32
50	$(Y_{0.40}Tm_{0.60})_{4.9}Rh_6Sn_{18.7}$	40
60	$(Y_{0.48}Tm_{0.52})_{4.9}Rh_6Sn_{18.6}$	48
80	$(Y_{0.72}Tm_{0.28})_{4.8}Rh_6Sn_{18.6}$	72
100 ( $Y_5Rh_6Sn_{18}$ )	—	100

# Superconductivity in $(Y,Tm)_5Rh_6Sn_{18}$



- Heavy electron state in  $Tm_5Rh_6Sn_{18}$  is decreased by Y-doping.

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## Conclusion

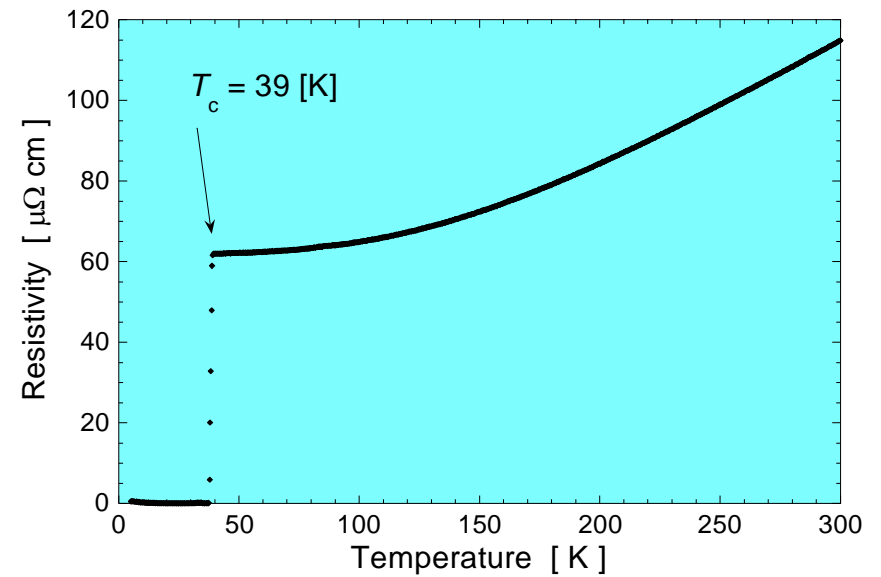
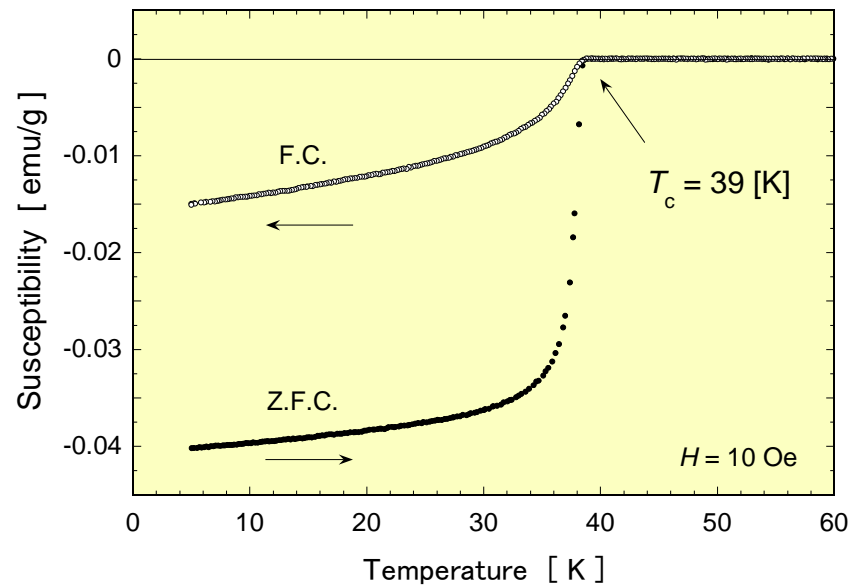
\* From specific heat measurements, the reentrant superconductor  $\text{Tm}_5\text{Rh}_6\text{Sn}_{18}$  can be categorized as a “heavy fermion superconductor”.

\* The  $\mu$  SR measurement shows development of a quasi-static local magnetic field is clearly inferred from the observation of spontaneous oscillation signal in the  $\mu$  SR spectra under zero external field, where the magnetism persists even below  $T_c$ .

Strongly suggesting coexistence of magnetism and superconductivity

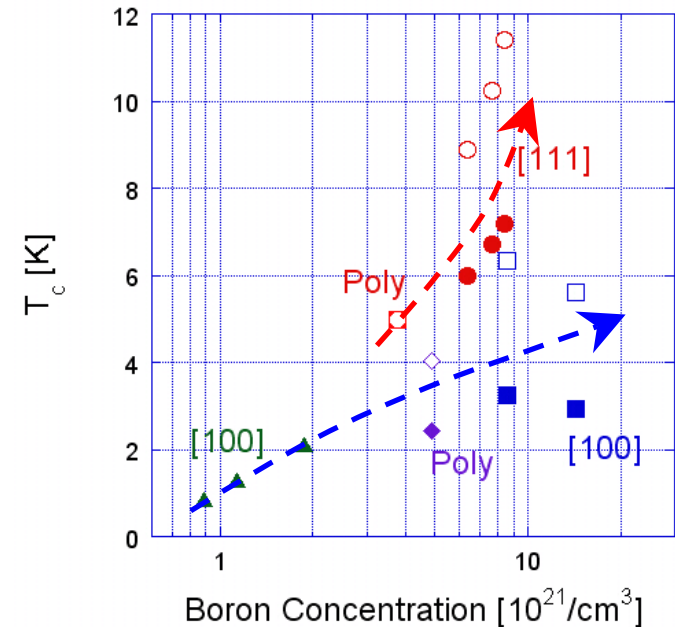
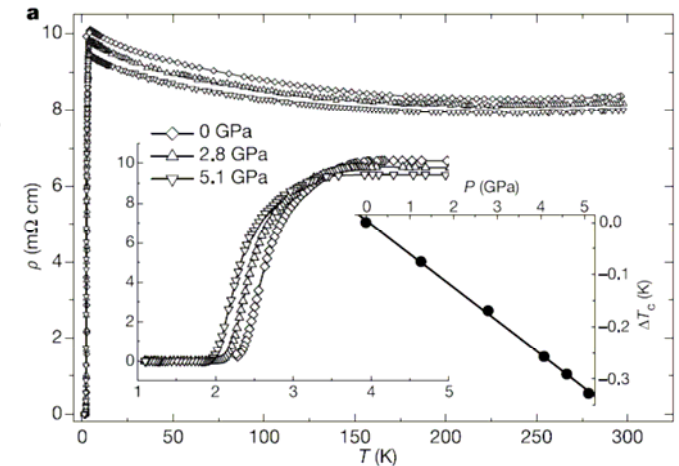
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# Superconductivity in $\text{MgB}_2$



# Superconductivity in B-doped diamond

- 1<sup>st</sup> report;
- E.A. Ekimov *et al.*, Nature 428, 542(2004)
  - B-doping to diamond by synthesis at 8-9GPa, 2500-2800K
  - $T_c \sim 4K$ ,  $H_{c2} \sim 3.5T$ 
    - Type-II SC
  
- Subsequent reports;
- Y. Takano *et al.*, APL 85, 2851(2004).
  - CVD single crystalline films
  - At same B-concentration : about  $8.5 \times 10^{21} \text{cm}^{-3}$ 
    - (111)
      - $T_c$  onset = 11.5K
    - (100)
      - $T_c$  onset = 6.3K

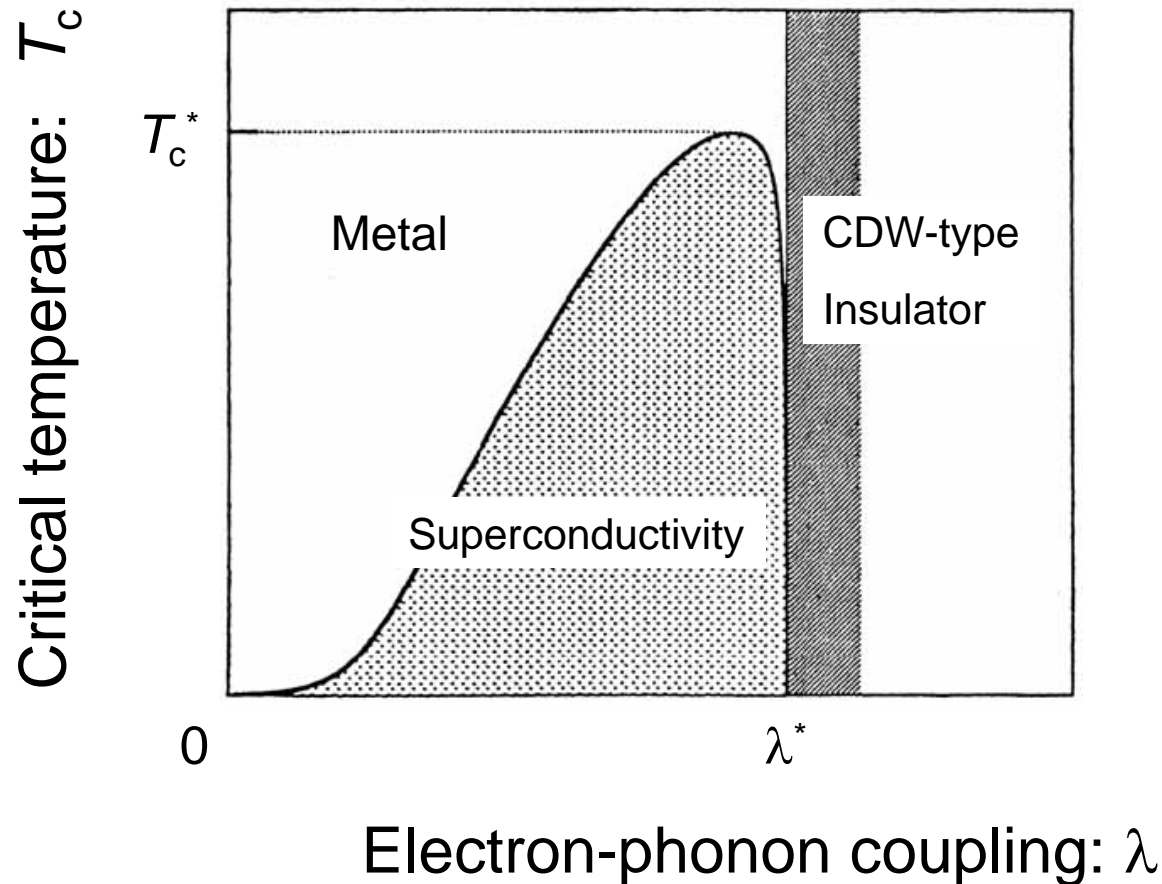


E. Bustarret *et al.* PRL 93, 237005(2004).

H. Umezawa *et al.*, cond-mat/0503303

## From real space pairing to reciprocal pairing

- Strong electron-phonon coupling leads to the insulator



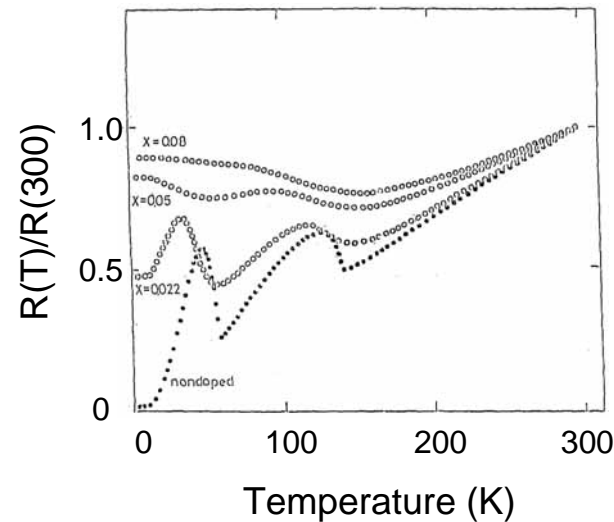


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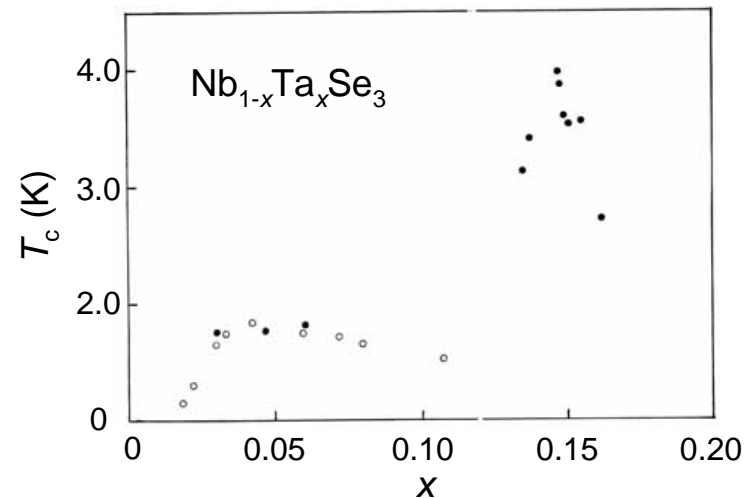
CDW (insulator)

 **Superconductivity**

- $\text{Ba}_{1-x}\text{K}_x\text{BiO}_3$
- $\text{BaPb}_{1-x}\text{Bi}_x\text{O}_3$
- $(\text{K}_{1-x}\text{Ba}_x)_{0.3}\text{MoO}_3$
- $(\text{Nb}_{1-x}\text{Ta}_x)\text{Se}_3$



● Saito *et al.*



New superconductor was realized by weakening the electron-phonon interaction.

# In a previous report

ex.  $\text{Ag}_6\text{O}_8\text{AgNO}_3$

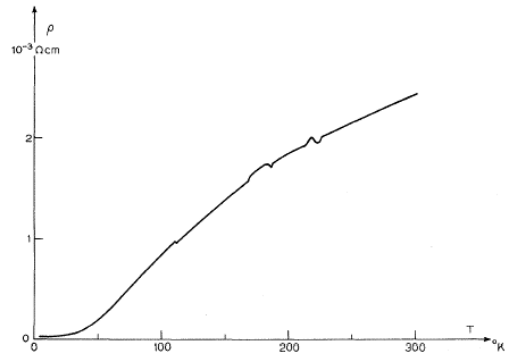
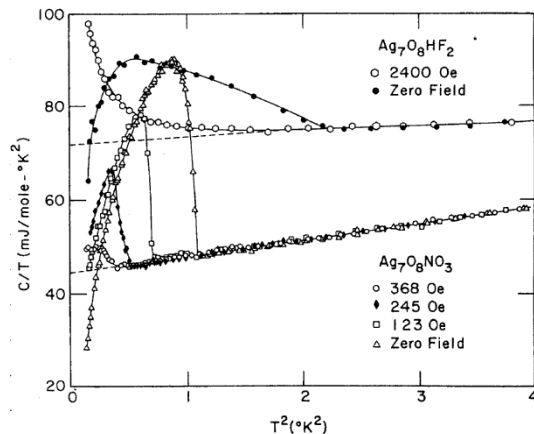


FIG. 1. The temperature-resistivity curve for a single crystal of  $\text{Ag}_7\text{O}_8\text{NO}_3$ .

$\text{Ag}_6\text{O}_8\text{AgNO}_3$  shows multi phase-transitions with decreasing temperature.

Robin and co-workers suggested that these transitions were generated with the structural-phase transitions.

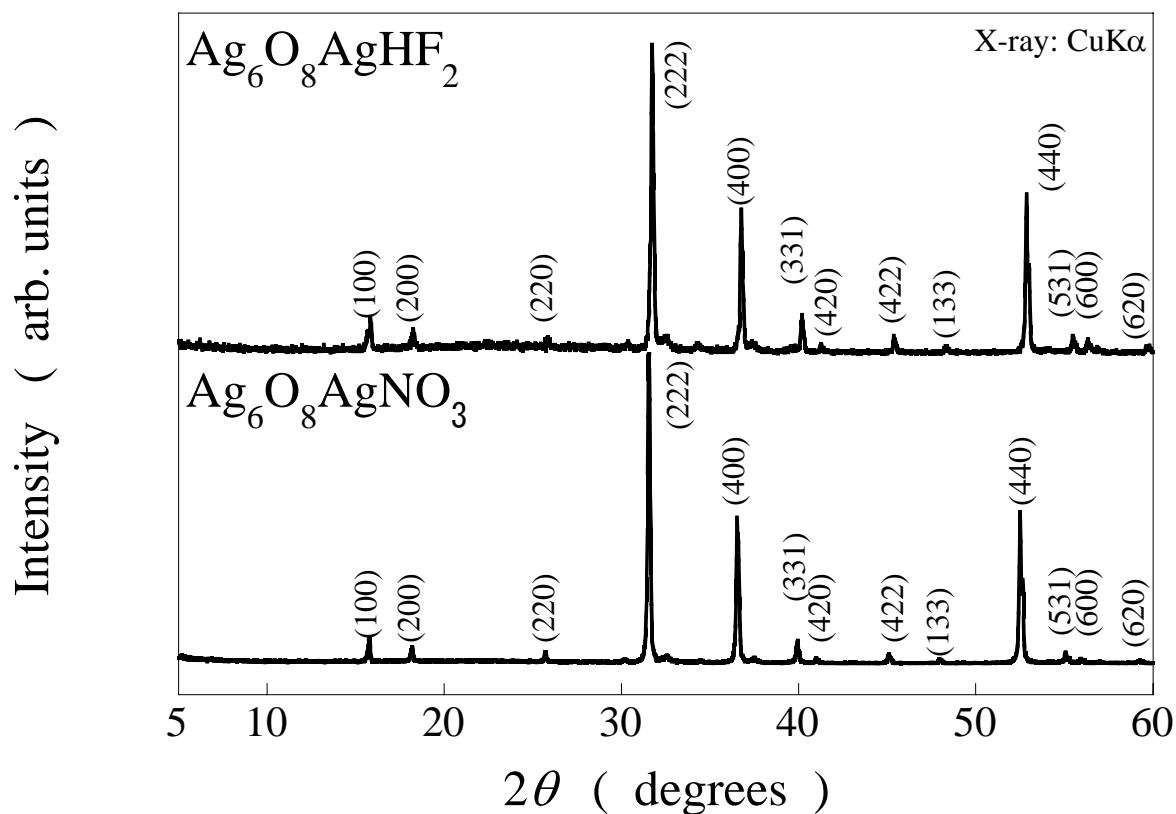


$\text{Ag}_6\text{O}_8\text{AgNO}_3$  shows superconductivity at 1.04 K

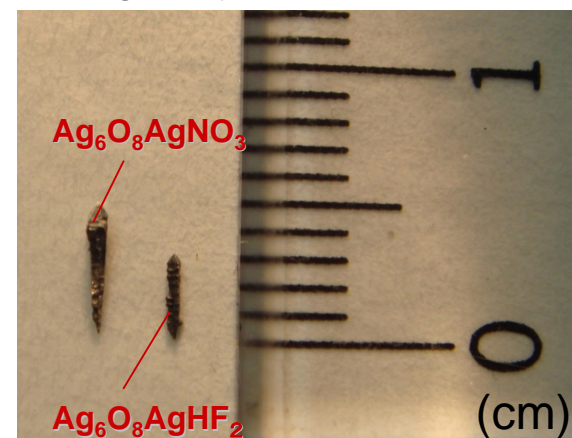
[4] M. B. Robin *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. **17** (1966) 917.

[5] M. M. Conway *et al.*, J. Phys. Chem. Sol. **31** (1970) 2673

# Powder X-ray diffraction patterns of $\text{Ag}_6\text{O}_8\text{AgX}$ ( $\text{X}=\text{NO}_3, \text{HF}_2$ )



Single crystalline samples.



**We succeeded in synthesizing single crystalline samples of  $\text{Ag}_6\text{O}_8\text{AgNO}_3$  and  $\text{Ag}_6\text{O}_8\text{AgHF}_2$ .**



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