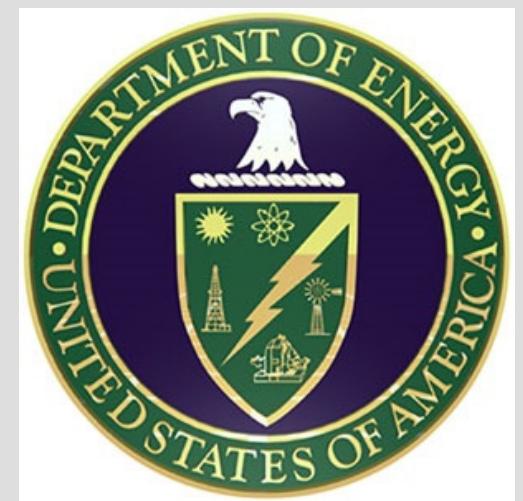
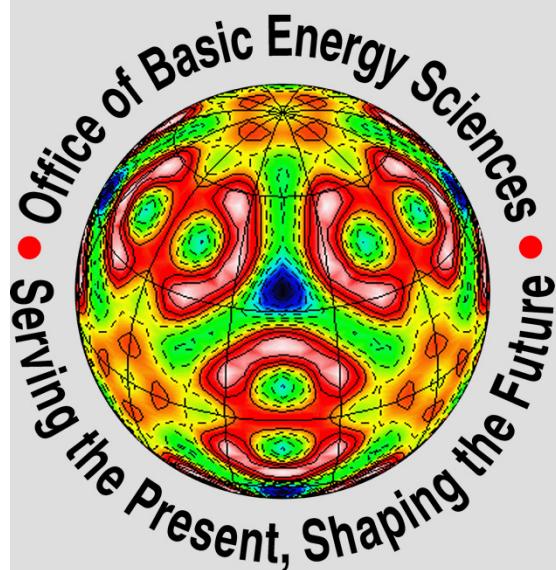


# Heavy Fermions and Electronic Correlations in FeSb<sub>2</sub>

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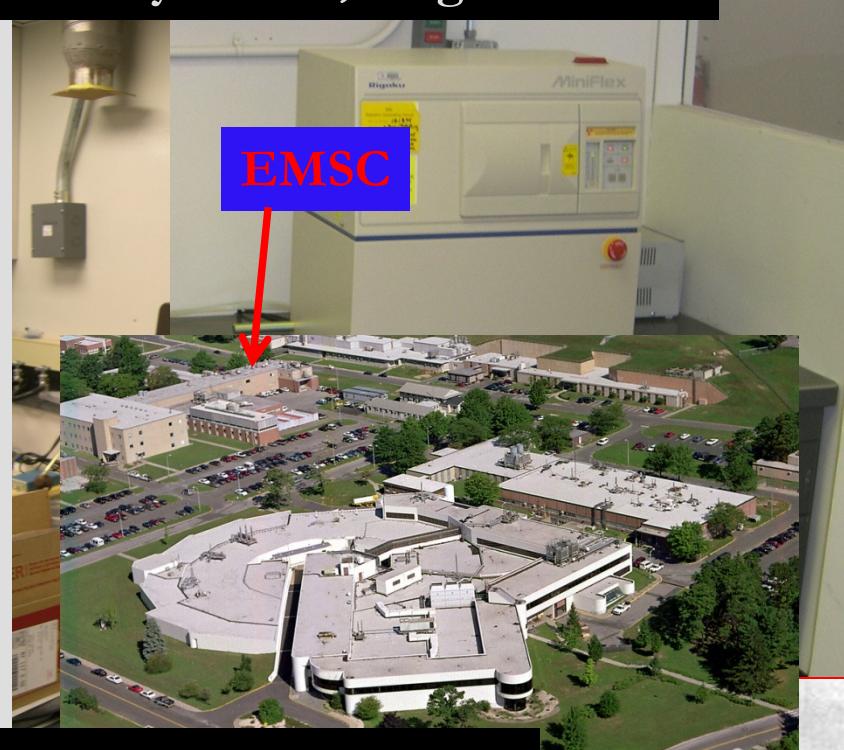


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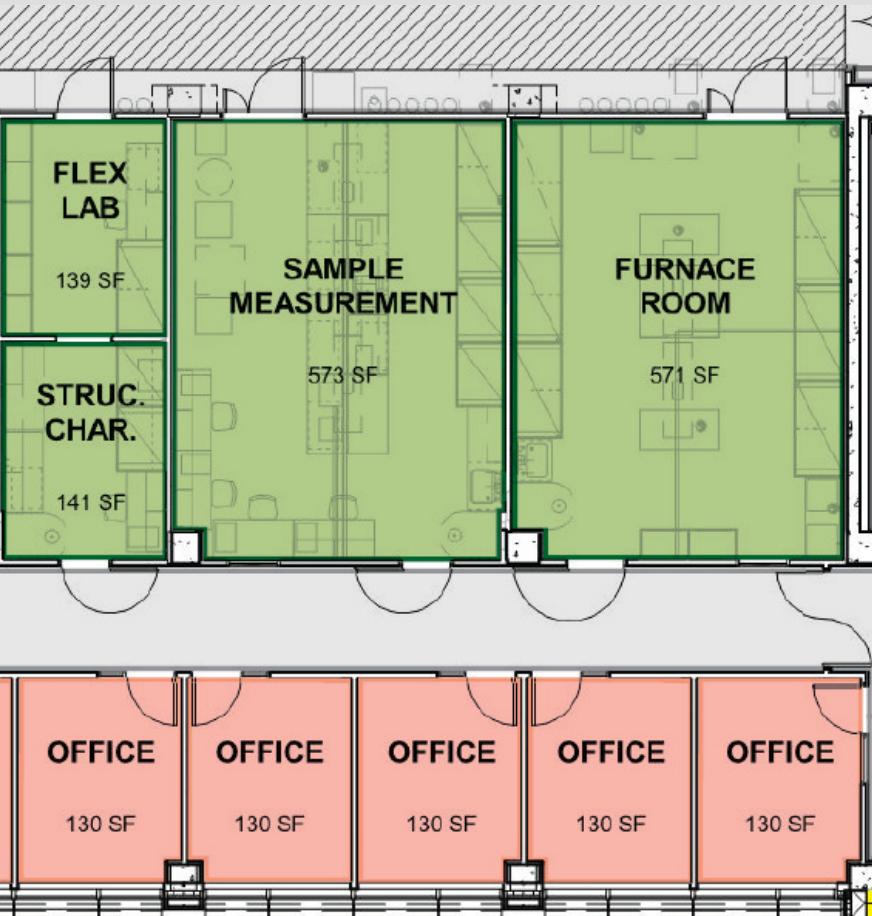
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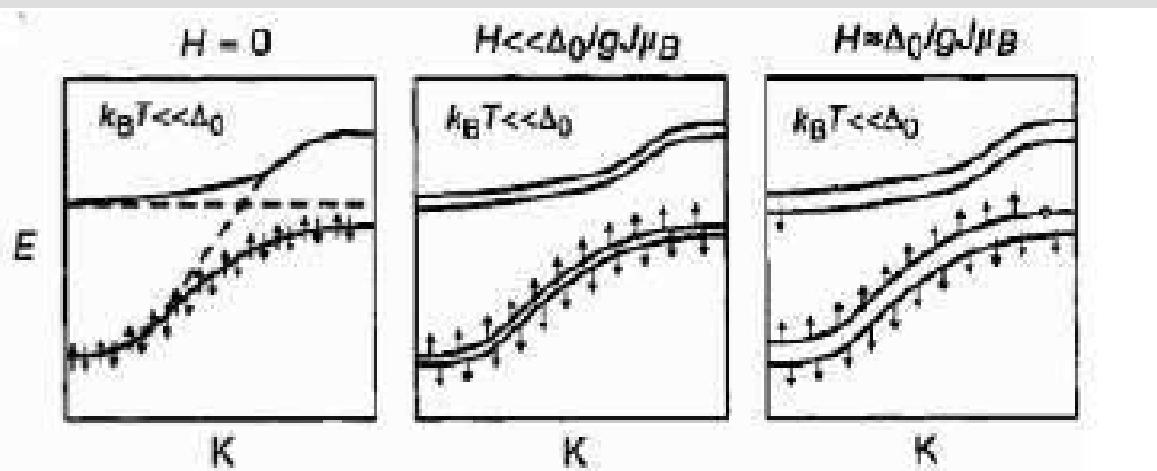
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# Kondo Insulators

P. Coleman, Handbook of Magnetism and Advanced Magnetic Materials. Vol 1. John Wiley and Sons, 95-148 (2007)) ; G. Aeppli and Z. Fisk, Comments Cond. Matt. Phys. 16, 155 (1992)

High T < H: KI are local moment metals  
Low T, H: Coherence in due to Kondo effect brings reduction in  $\sigma$ ,  $\chi_{\text{Pauli}}$

Quasiparticle perspective: KI are highly renormalized “band insulators”:  
**Gap driven by interaction effects**



MIT driven by H  
(also doping, T)

Rare earth materials:  $\text{SmB}_6$ ,  
 $\text{Ce}_3\text{Bi}_4\text{Pt}_3$ ...

Single particle picture or Many body correlations

## Singlet Semiconductor to Ferromagnetic Metal Transition in FeSi

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Adding the local Coulomb repulsion to the local density approximation, the so-called LDA +  $U$  scheme, leads us to predict a first order transition from a singlet semiconductor to ferromagnetic metal in FeSi with increasing magnetic field. Extensions to finite temperature lead to the interpretation that the anomalous behavior at room temperature and zero field arises from proximity to the critical point of this transition. This critical point at a finite field may be accessible in currently available magnetic fields.

PACS numbers: 75.30.Kz, 71.30.+h, 75.10.Lp

FeSi displays an unusual crossover from a singlet semiconducting ground state with a narrow band gap to a metal with an enhanced spin susceptibility and a Curie-Weiss temperature dependence in the vicinity of room temperature [1]. Various models have been put forward to explain this behavior, starting with the very narrow band description of Jaccarino *et al.* [2]. Takahashi and Moriya [3] proposed a nearly ferromagnetic semiconductor model, predicting thermally induced spin fluctuations which were subsequently confirmed experimentally [4]. Recently, models based on treating FeSi as a transition metal analog of the Kondo insulators found in heavy-fermion–rare-earth systems have been much discussed [5,6].

Electronic structure calculations using a local density approximation (LDA) by Mattheiss and Hamann [7] correctly account for the narrow gap semiconducting ground state but more is required to explain the anomalous behavior. In this Letter we report calculations based on the LDA +  $U$  scheme, a generalization of the LDA method introduced by Anisimov *et al.* [8,9] to include the influence of local Coulomb interactions on the electronic structure and magnetic properties of real systems in the

$n_{m\sigma}$  is the occupancy of a particular  $d_{m\sigma}$  orbital

$$E_{av} = \frac{1}{2}UN(N-1) - \frac{1}{4}JN(N-2). \quad (1)$$

But LDA does not properly describe the full Coulomb and exchange interactions between  $d$  electrons in the same  $d$  shell. So Anisimov *et al.* [8,9] suggested to subtract  $E_{av}$  from the LDA total energy functional and to add orbital- and spin-dependent contributions to obtain the exact (in the mean-field approximation) formula

$$\begin{aligned} E = E_{LDA} - E_{av} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{m,m',\sigma} U_{mm'} n_{m\sigma} n_{m'\sigma} \\ + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{m \neq m', m', \sigma} (U_{mm'} - J_{mm'}) n_{m\sigma} n_{m'\sigma}. \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Taking the derivative with respect to  $n_{m\sigma}$  gives the orbital-dependent one-electron potential

$$\begin{aligned} V_{m\sigma}(\vec{r}) = V_{LDA}(\vec{r}) + \sum_{m'} (U_{mm'} - U_{eff}) n_{m'\sigma} \\ + \sum_{m' \neq m} (U_{mm'} - J_{mm'} - U_{eff}) n_{m\sigma} \end{aligned}$$

(A)  
Single particle  
picture

(B)  
Many body  
correlations

**Unconventional Charge Gap For**

application of this to PAM, Hubbard where  
only few bands are important

$$\int_0^\infty \sigma(\omega) d\omega = \frac{ne^2}{m}$$

Z. Schlesinger

for all electrons in all bands

Z. Fisk, Hai-Tao Zhang, and M. B. Maple

$$\int_0^\infty \sigma(\omega) d\omega = \frac{\pi}{V} \text{Im}\langle [P, J] \rangle \sim \varepsilon_K \sim m^*$$

**Transfer of spectral weight in spectroscopies of correlated electron systems**

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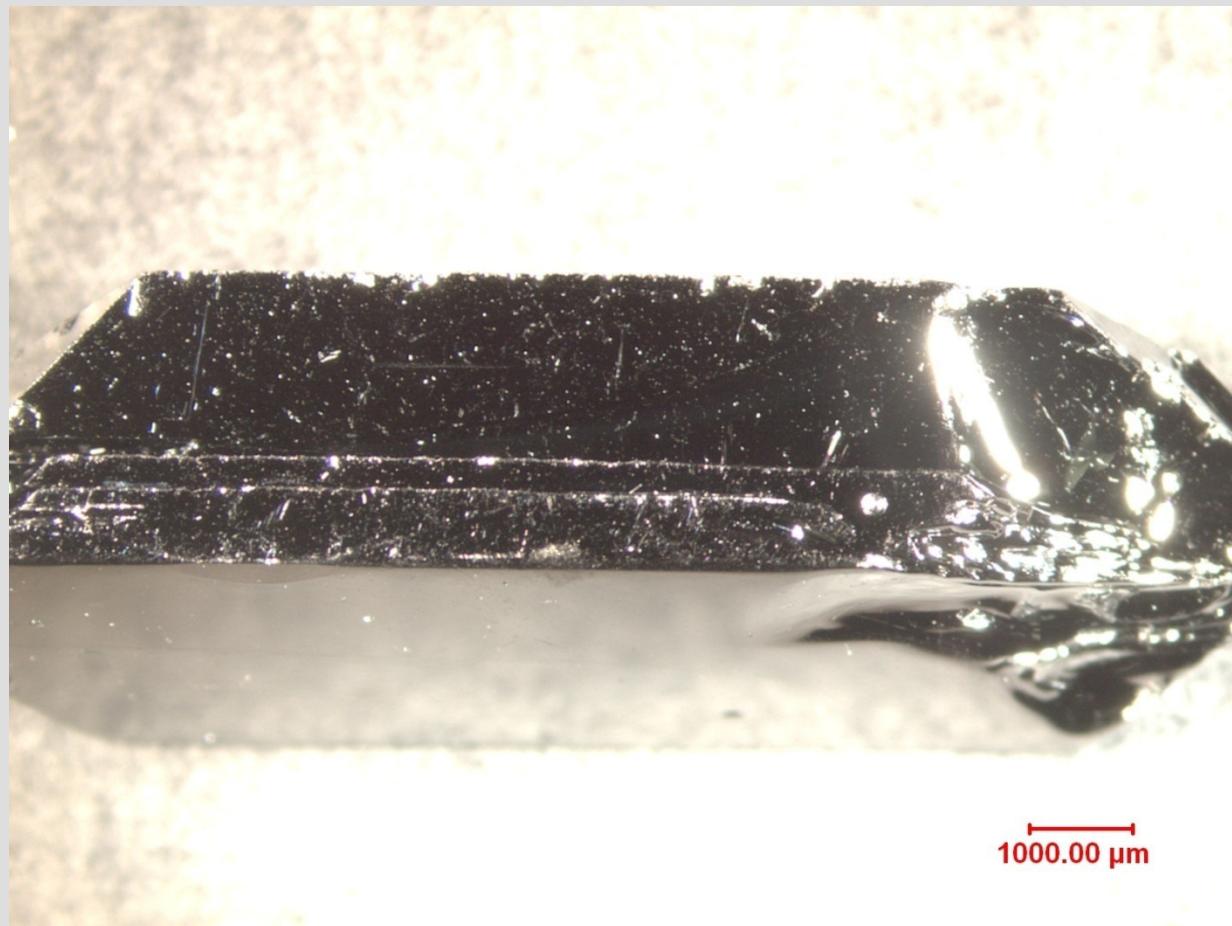
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Measurements of the infrared reflectivity of the Kondo insulator Ce<sub>3</sub>Bi<sub>4</sub>Pt<sub>3</sub> as reported. Near room temperature the charge dynamics are comparable to those of a heavy fermion compound in the incoherent regime; however, below 100 K the depletion of the low frequency conductivity signifies the development of a charge gap at low frequency ( $\sim 300 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ). The temperature dependence of the depleted spectral weight scales with the quenching of the Ce 4f moments, demonstrating that the gap formation is due to the local Kondo coupling of charge carriers to the Ce magnetic moments. The spectral weight which disappears as the gap forms must be displaced to energies much larger than the gap.

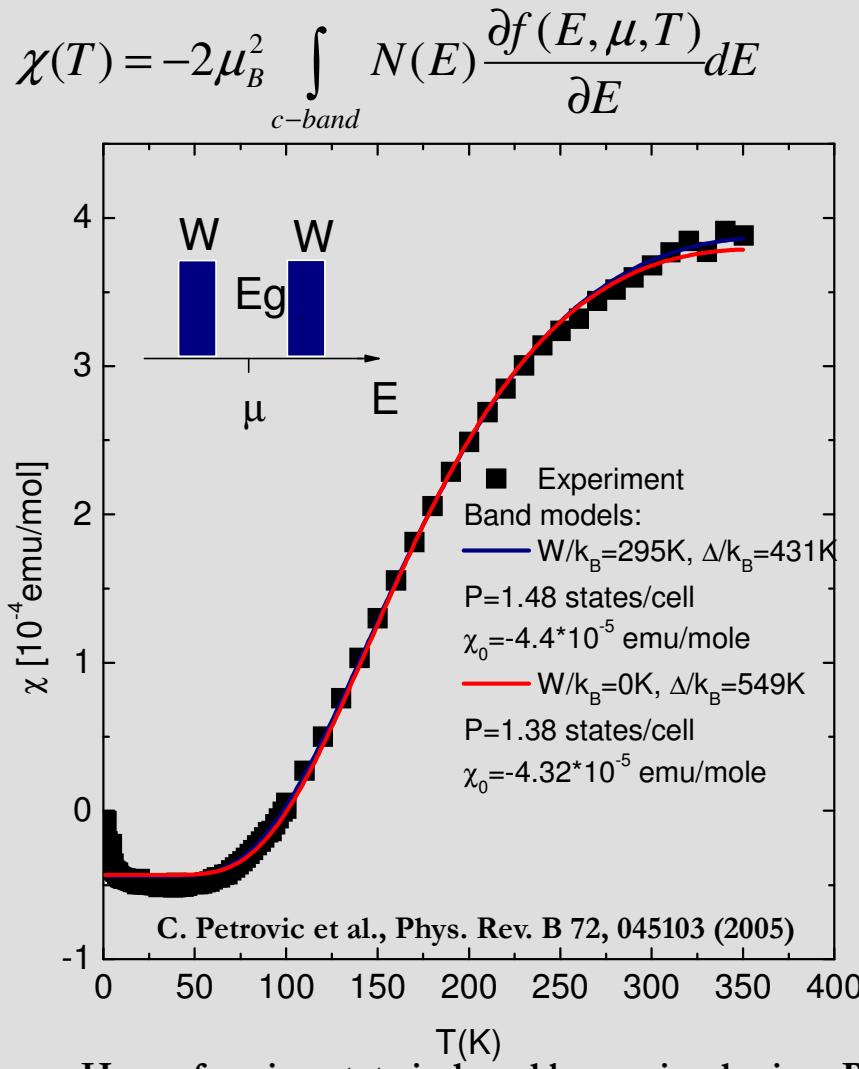
# New Model Material: FeSb<sub>2</sub>



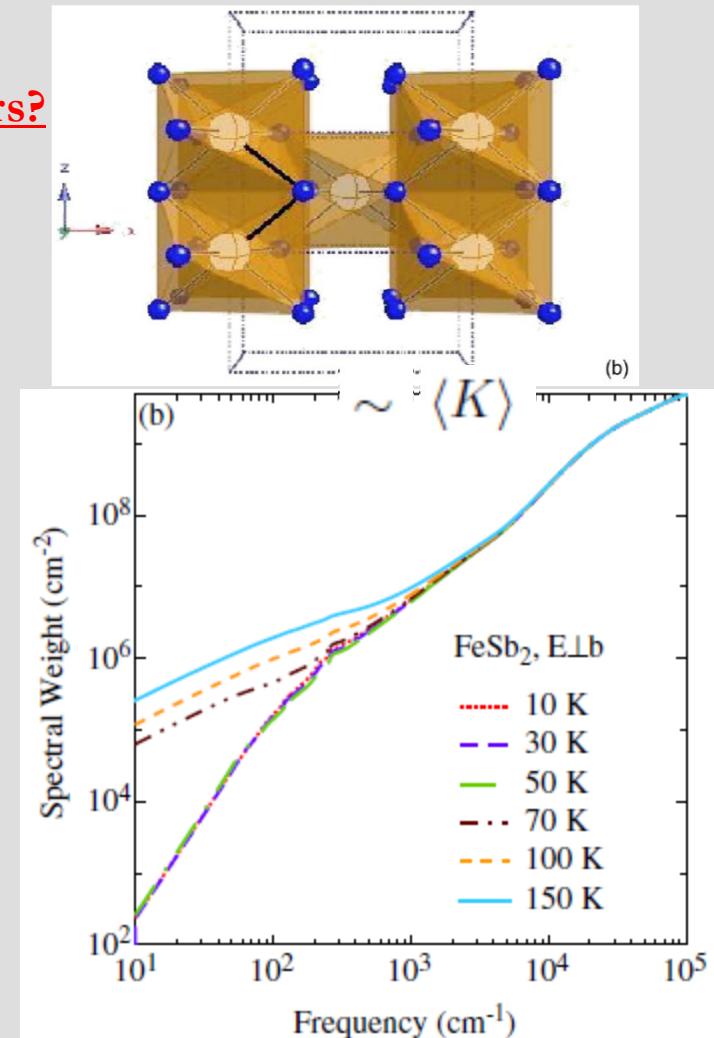
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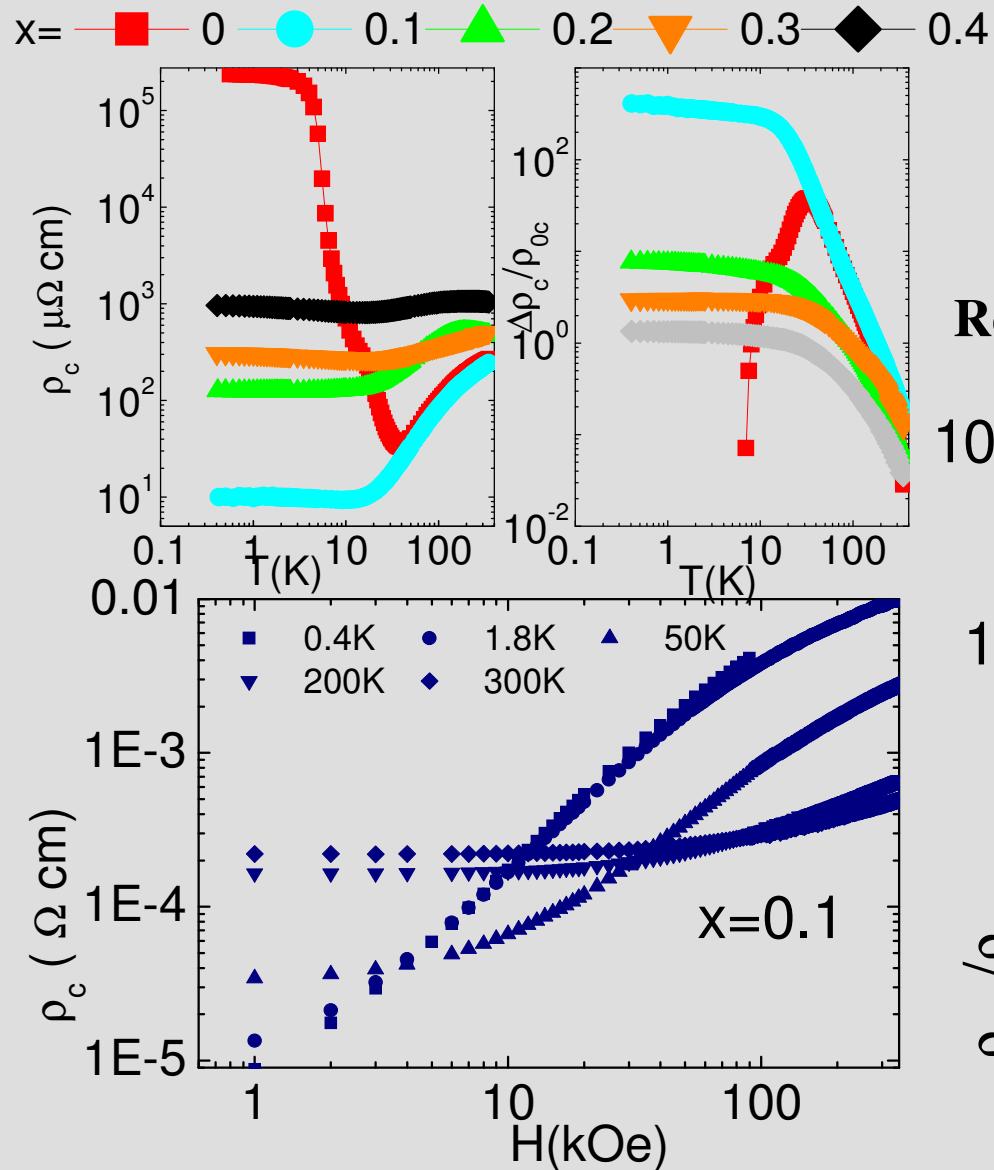


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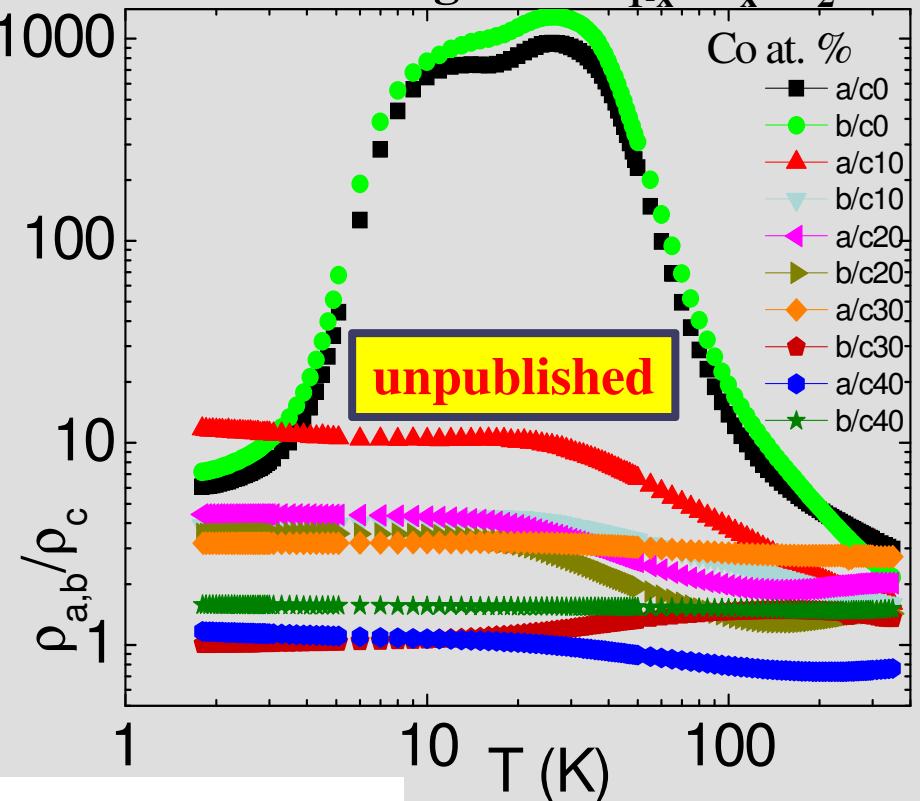


Gap recovery in eV range in  $\text{FeSb}_2$   
Eur. Phys. J. B 54, 175 (2006)

# Colossal Magnetoresistance



Reduction of quasi 1-D character of  $\rho(T)$  with increasing  $x$  in  $\text{Fe}_{1-x}\text{Co}_x\text{Sb}_2$



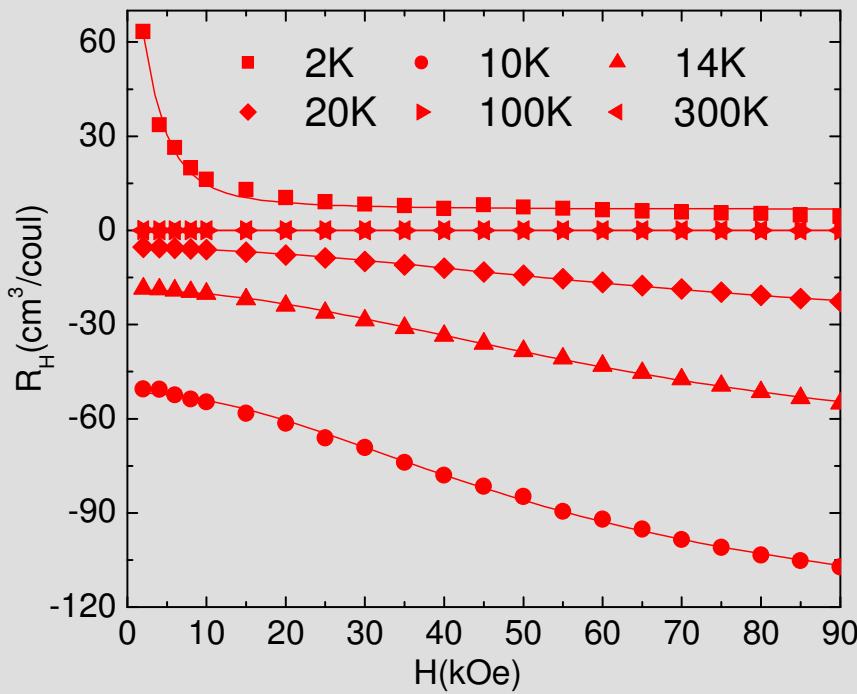
# Hall Constant

Rongwei Hu (胡荣伟) et al, Phys. Rev. B 77, 085212 (2008)

- Magnetic moments:  $\rho_{xy}(H) = R_0 H + R_s M(H)$
- Two band model

## Hall Constant:

$$R_H = \frac{\rho_{xy}}{H} = \rho_0 \frac{\alpha_2 + \beta_2 H^2}{1 + \beta_3 H^2}$$

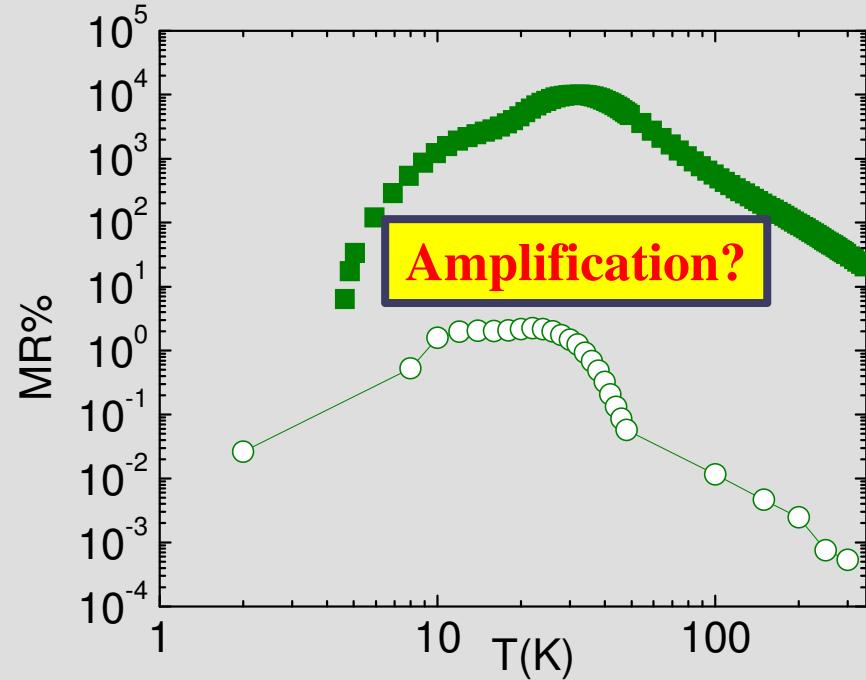


## Magnetoresistance:

$$MR = \frac{f_1 f_2 (\mu_1 - \mu_2)^2 H^2}{1 + \beta_3 H^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha_2 &= f_1 \mu_1 + f_2 \mu_2 \\ \beta_2 &= (f_1 \mu_2 + f_2 \mu_1) \mu_1 \mu_2 \\ \beta_3 &= (f_1 \mu_2 + f_2 \mu_1)^2\end{aligned}$$

$$\rho_0 = \rho(B=0); f_i = \frac{n_i \mu_i}{\sum |n_i \mu_i|}$$



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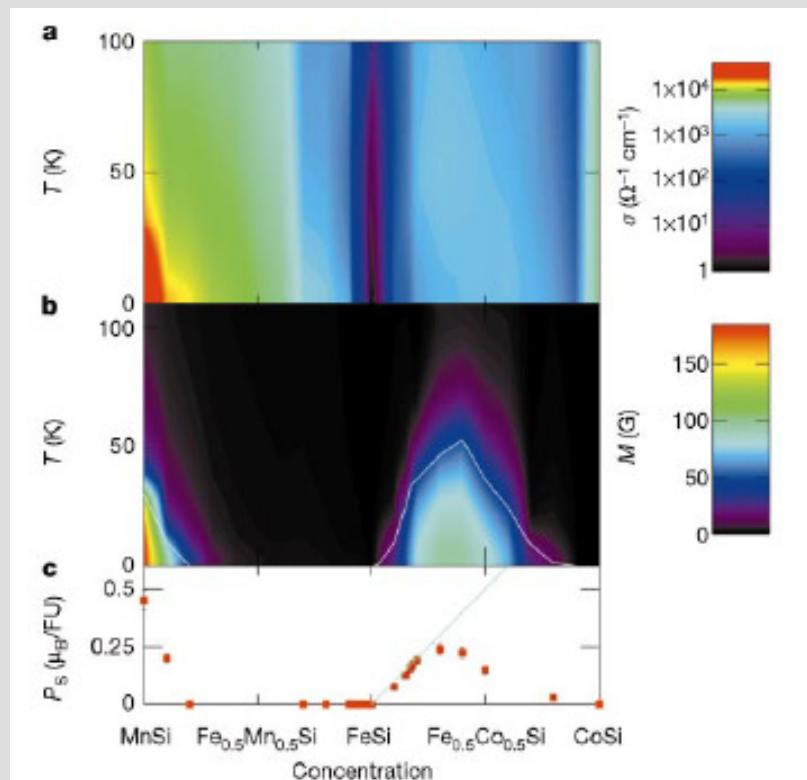
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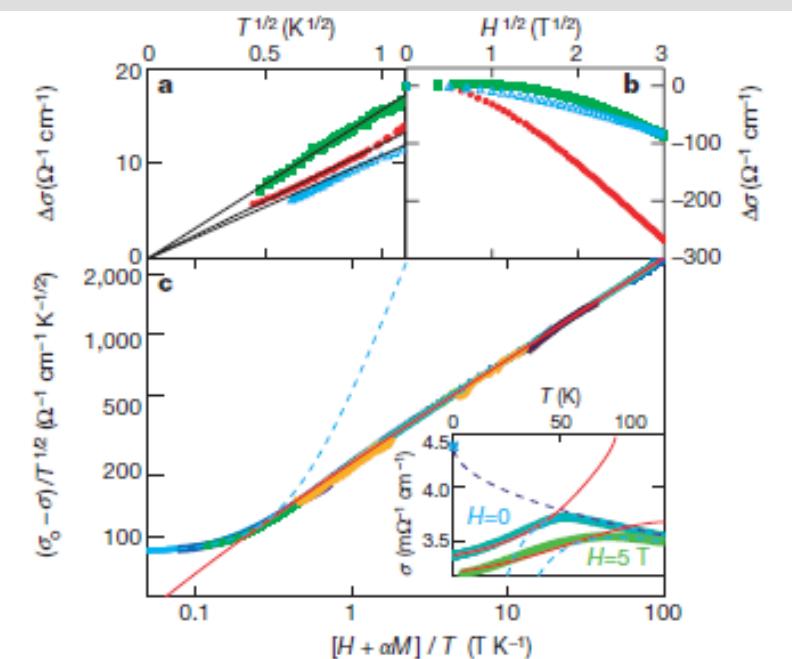
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The standard theory for paramagnetic disordered metals usefully encapsulates  $\sigma(H, T)$  by  $(\sigma - \sigma_0)/T^{1/2} = f(g\mu_B H/k_B T)$  where  $f(x)$  is a scaling function whose limiting form is  $x^2$  for  $x \ll 1$  and  $x^{1/2}$  for  $x \gg 1$  (refs 24 and 25). Because Fe<sub>1-x</sub>Co<sub>x</sub>Si is, to our knowledge, the first ordered ferromagnet for which the  $T^{1/2}$  and  $H^{1/2}$  terms are present, no theory is available for ferromagnets. Even so, it seems reasonable to believe that the main difference between paramagnets and ferromagnets is simply that for the ferromagnet, in addition to the external field, there is a large spontaneous field due to the ordered moment. Thus, the effective field is really  $H_{\text{eff}} = H + \alpha M$  (where  $\alpha$  is a constant) rather than  $H$  alone. We then imagine that for the ferromagnet, we should simply insert  $H_{\text{eff}}$  where  $H$  appears in the expressions for  $\sigma(H, T)$  derived for disordered paramagnets with electron-electron interactions<sup>27</sup>.

# MR in $\text{Fe}_{1-x}\text{Co}_x\text{Si}$

PHYSICAL REVIEW B 72, 224431 (2005)

## Doping dependence of transport properties in $\text{Fe}_{1-x}\text{Co}_x\text{Si}$

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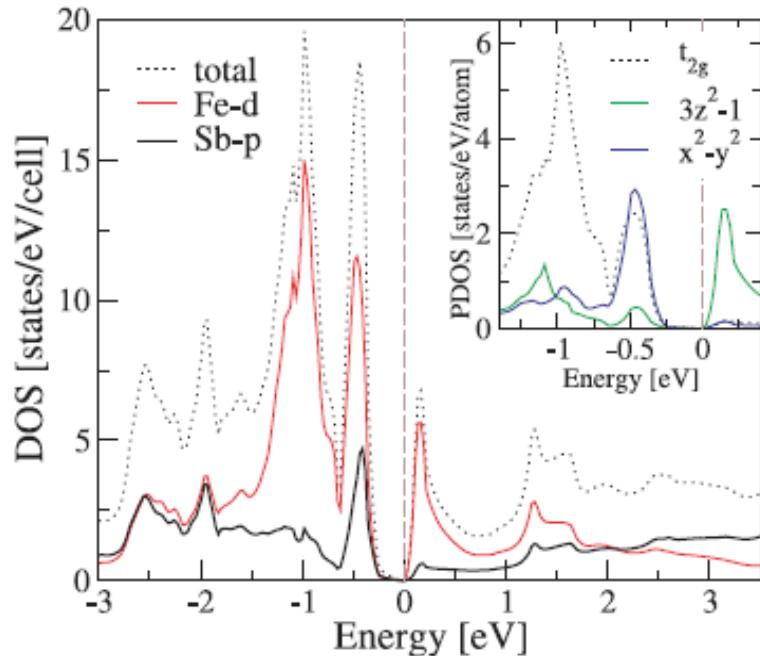
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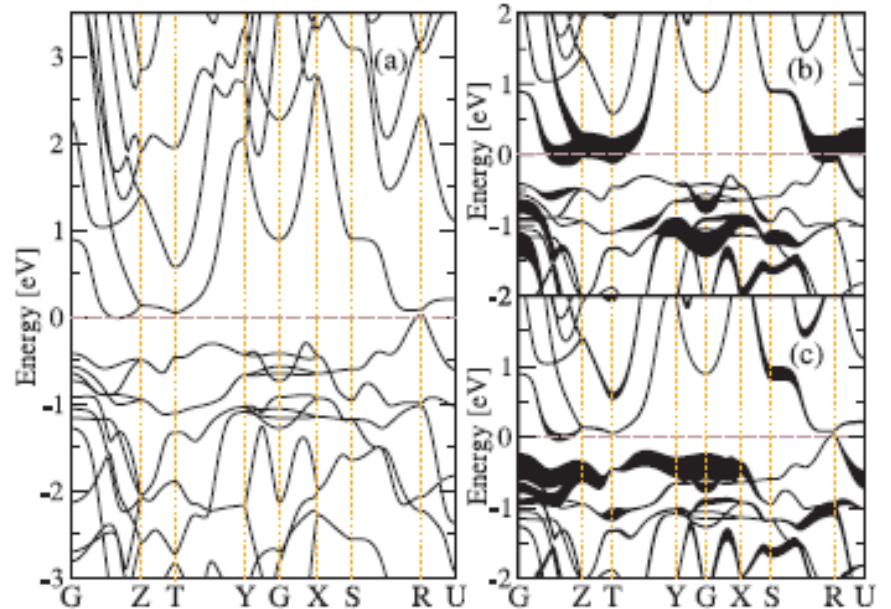
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The positive magnetoresistance has been investigated for  $\text{Fe}_{1-x}\text{Co}_x\text{Si}$  single crystals in a wide range of doping ( $0.05 \leq x \leq 0.7$ ). Most of the magnetoconductivity data are found to scale well with the magnetization. This is inconsistent with the quantum interference scenario proposed by Manjala *et al.* [Nature **404**, 581 (2000)]. We have shown that the decrease of density of the minority spin band with high mobility in the course of Zeeman splitting is relevant to the positive magnetoresistance. The nearly half-metallic nature in this system seems to enhance the magnetoresistance. The pressure dependence of resistivity has been measured for  $\text{Fe}_{0.7}\text{Co}_{0.3}\text{Si}$ .  $T$ -linear behavior has been found in the resistivity above 7 GPa, where the helical spin order is completely suppressed. This temperature dependence reproduces that of the hypothetical resistivity of the nonmagnetic state deduced by the analysis of the magnetoresistance. We have investigated the large Hall conductivity in  $\text{Fe}_{1-x}\text{Co}_x\text{Si}$  ( $\sim 40 \Omega^{-1} \text{cm}^{-1}$  at a maximum). The doping dependence of the Hall conductivity is almost parallel with those of the critical field and the wave vector of the helical spin state. This suggests that the Hall conductivity is proportional to the effective spin-orbit interaction. We have also observed the doping dependence of the Seebeck coefficient for  $\text{Fe}_{1-x}\text{Co}_x\text{Si}$ . In the underdoped region ( $x \leq 0.1$ ), the negative Seebeck coefficient is enhanced at low temperature below 100 K, corresponding to the steep doping variation of the resistivity in this temperature region. In the higher doping region ( $x \geq 0.2$ ), the Seebeck coefficient shows a gradual upturn at low temperatures ( $\lesssim 100$  K). This is caused by the electronic structural change occurring with the transition from the paramagnetic to the ferromagnetic state.

# Direct Analog of FeSi



**Fig. 1.** Total and partial densities of states for  $\text{FeSb}_2$  from the LDA calculation. Inset shows partial  $t_{2g}$ -DOS and  $3z^2 - r^2$ ,  $x^2 - y^2$  orbitals DOS of Fe-3d states. The Fermi energy corresponds to zero.

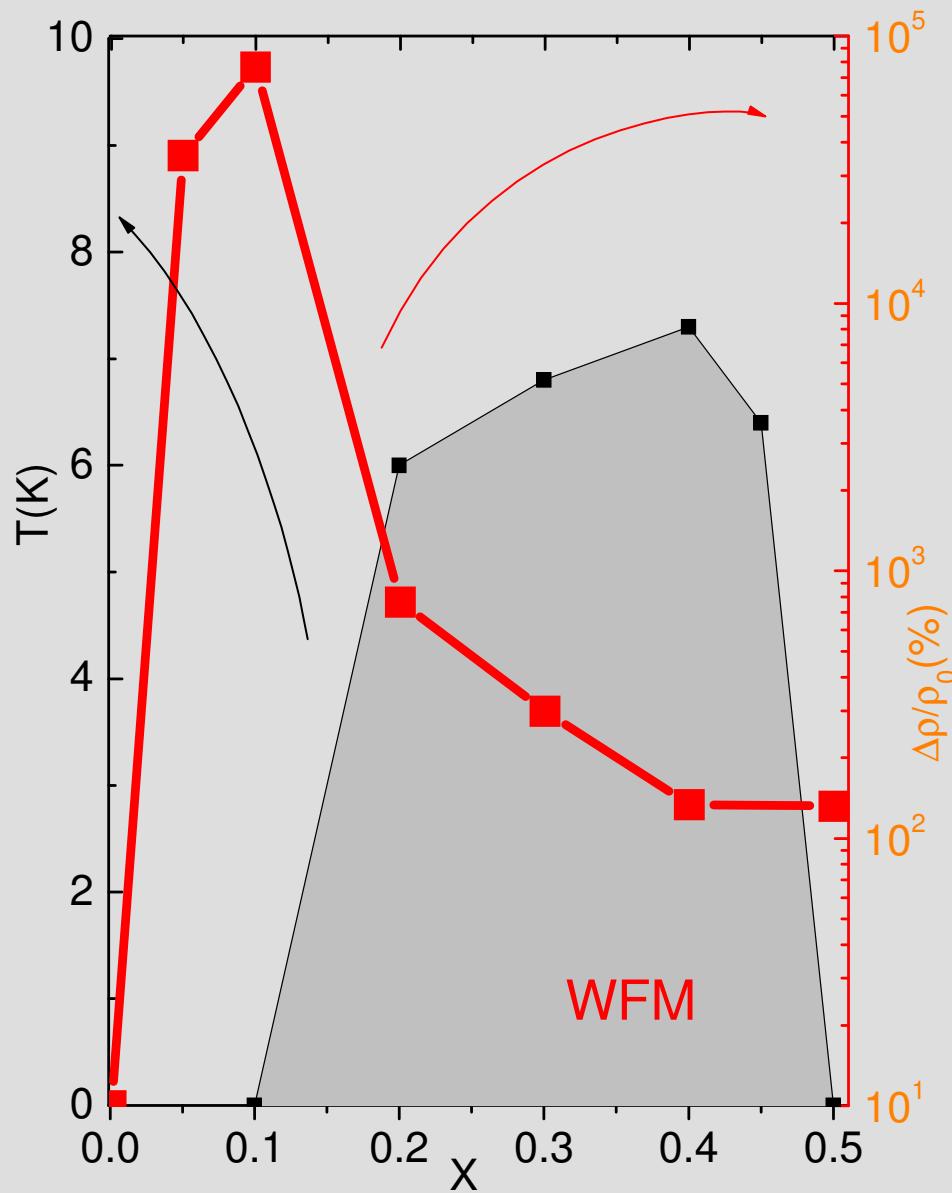


**Fig. 2.** (a) Band structure of  $\text{FeSb}_2$  from the LDA calculation. Right panels show partial contributions of (b)  $3z^2 - r^2$  and (c)  $x^2 - y^2$  orbitals to the total band structure. Additional broadening of the bands corresponds to the contribution of the orbital. The Fermi energy corresponds to zero.

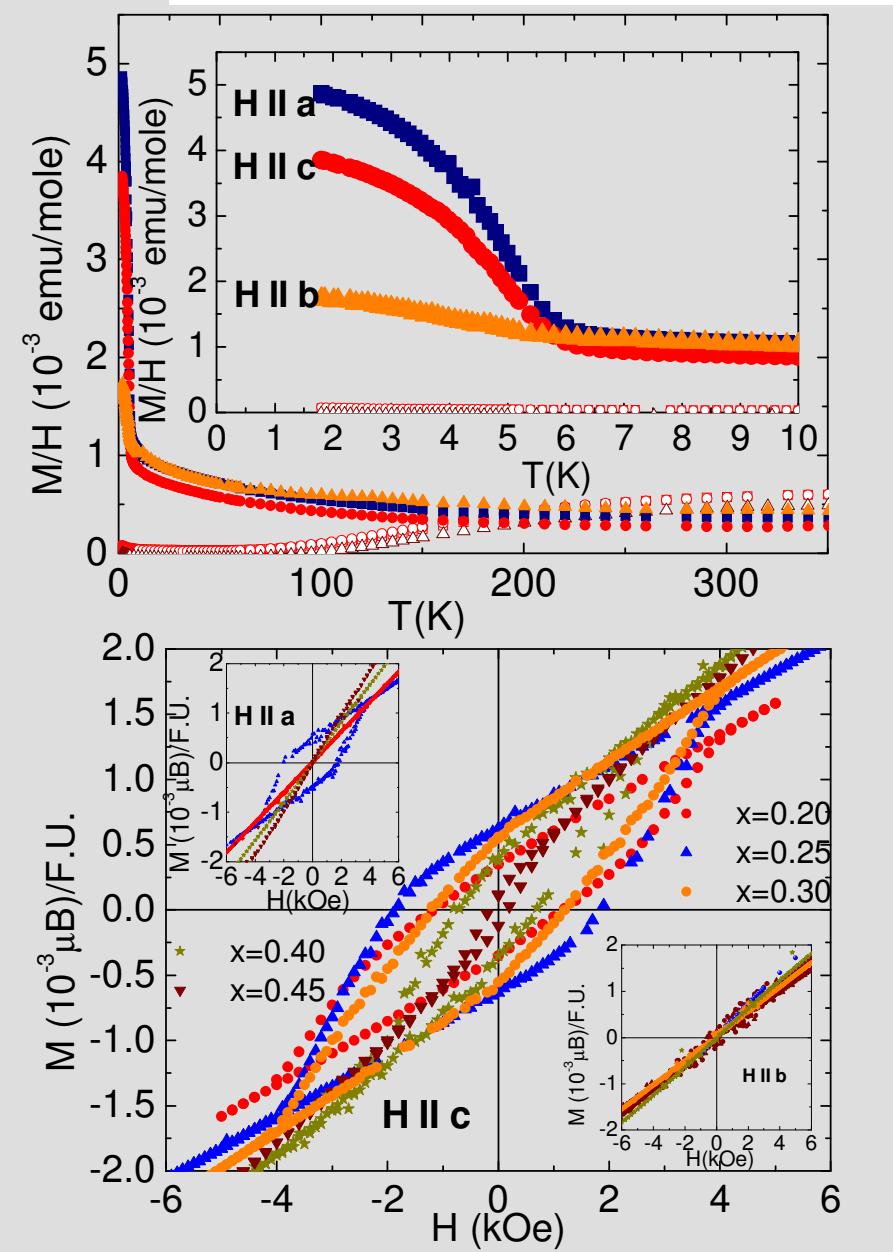
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Eur. Phys. J. B 53, 207 (2006)

We have applied the LDA+ $U$  method to  $\text{FeSb}_2$ . As in the case of  $\text{FeSi}$  a second local minimum appears in the energy vs. uniform magnetization at a value of  $1 \mu_B$  per Fe (see Fig. 3). In this set of calculations we performed fixed spin moment procedure [3]. Again the exact energy

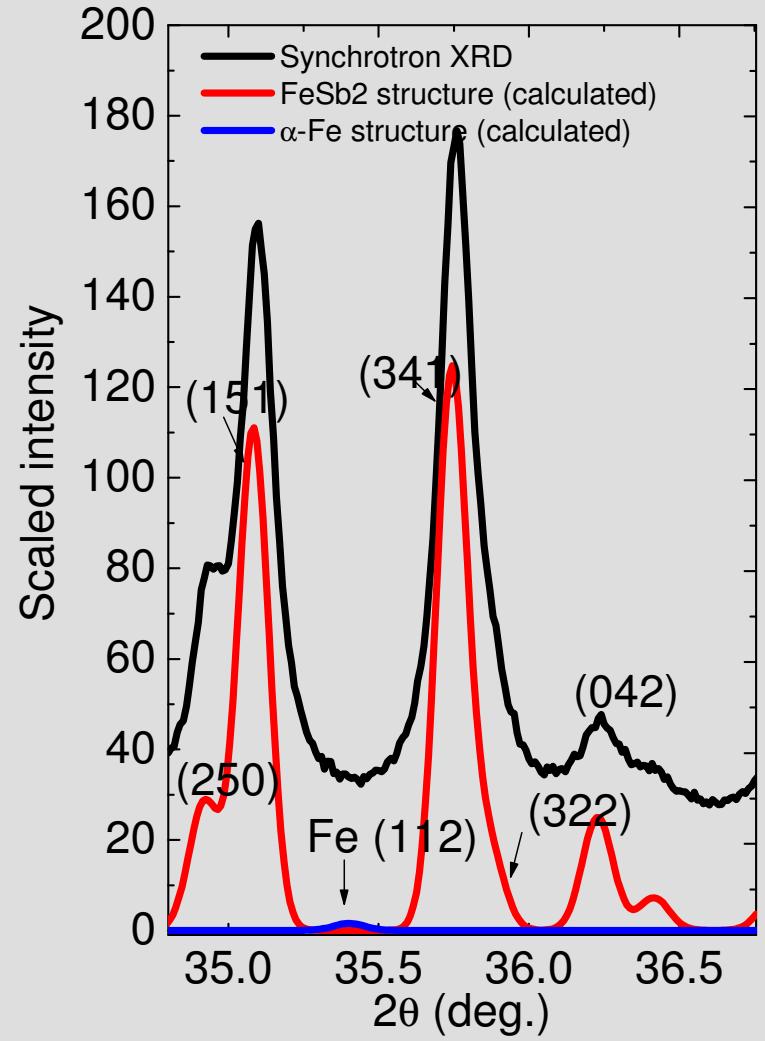
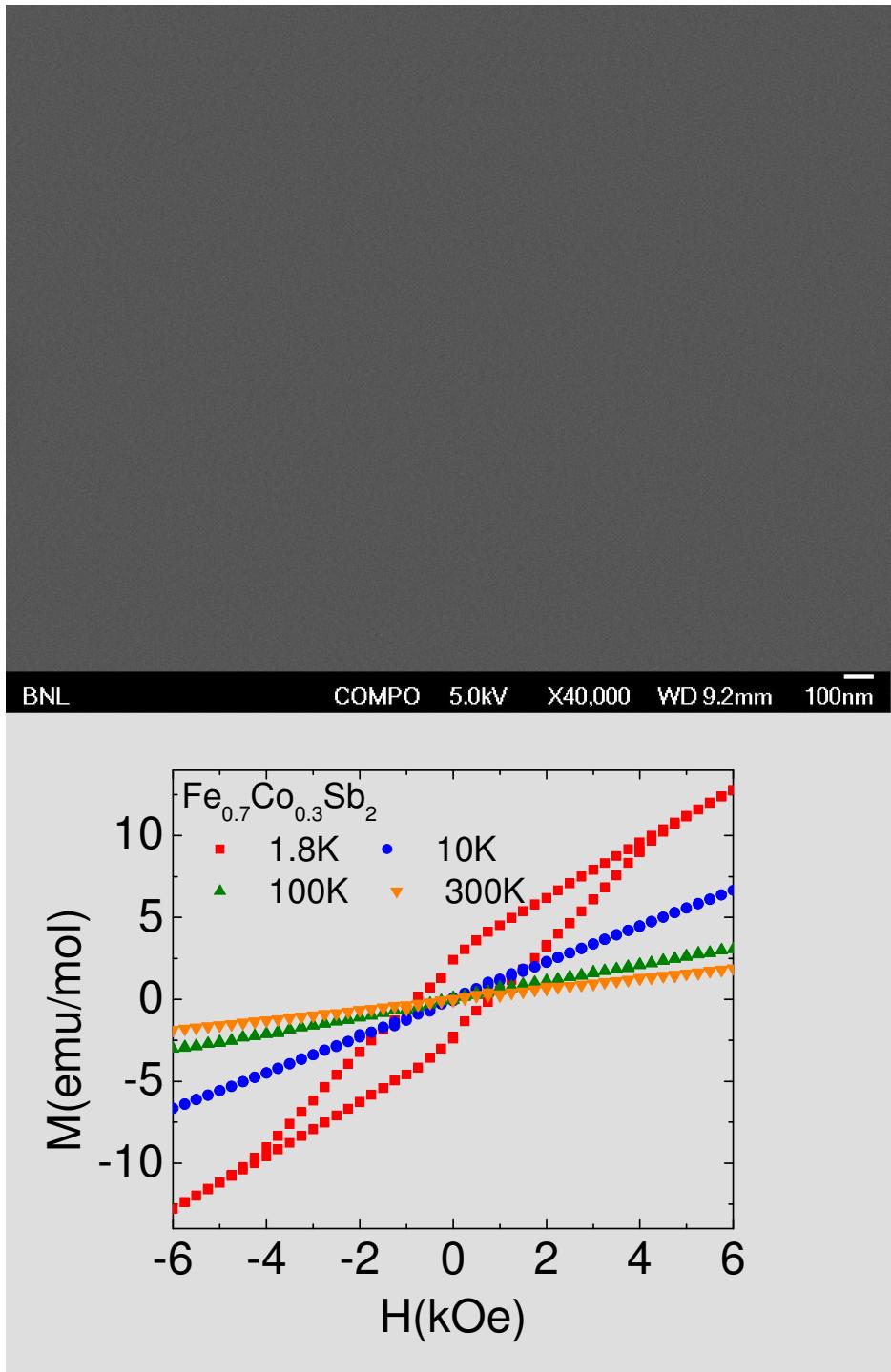
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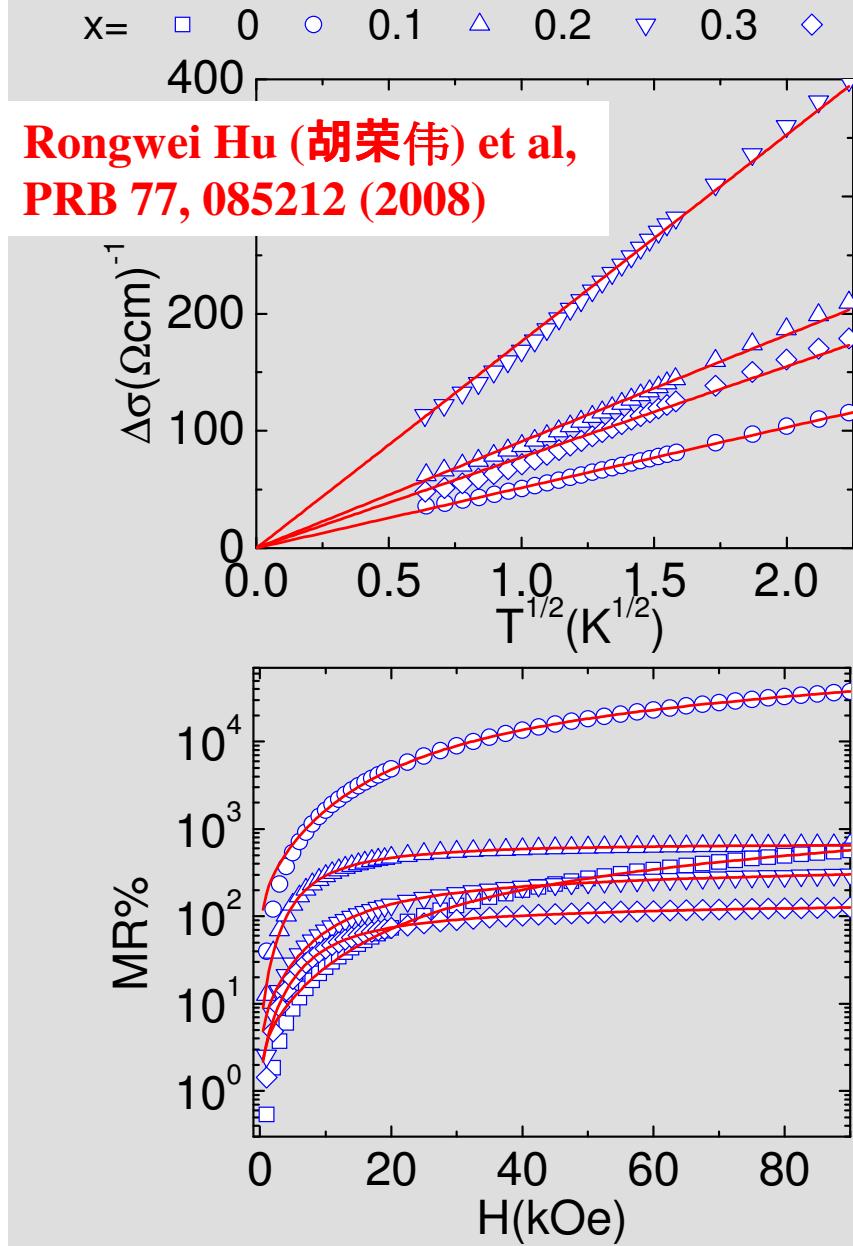


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# Electronic Correlations Are Important



Corrections to quadratic MR:

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LOCALIZATION

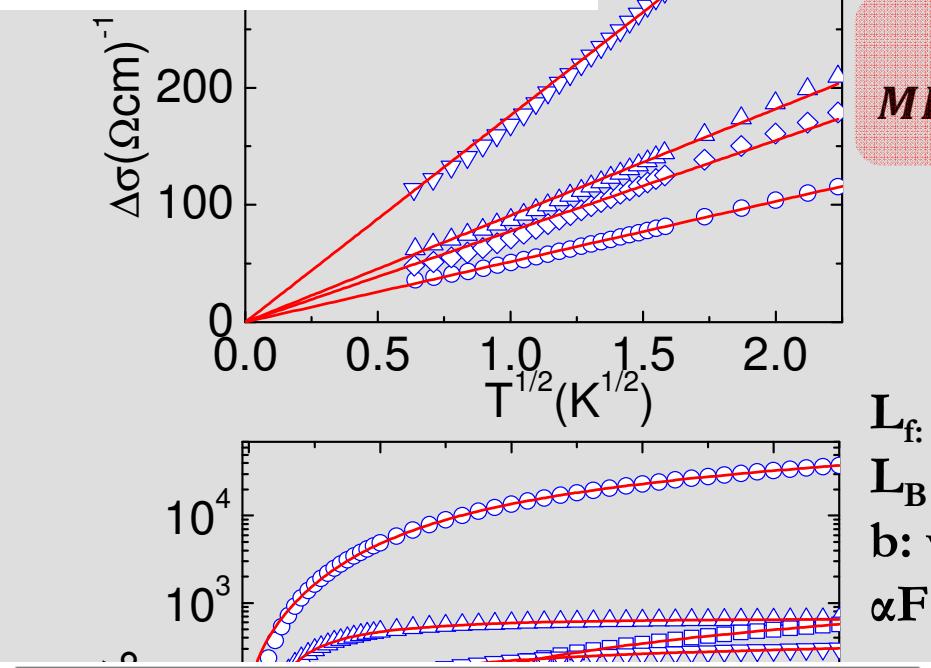
*Orbital MR in multicarrier model:  
~  $10^{-4}$  of observed MR*  
*Coulomb interaction + disorder:  
~ 95% of observed MR*

# Electronic Correlations Are Important

$x =$  □ 0 ○ 0.1 △ 0.2 ▽ 0.3 ◇ 0.4

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Rongwei Hu (胡荣伟) et al,  
PRB 77, 085212 (2008)



$x$	$\alpha F$	$L_f$ (nm)	$b$ (nm)	$c$
0	$1.2 \times 10^{-9}$	162	1.6	0.001
0.1	$6.2 \times 10^{-7}$	1463	0.2	0.055
0.2	$5.1 \times 10^{-9}$	534	2.8	0.004
0.3	$7.3 \times 10^{-9}$	188	4.0	0.002
0.4	$9.9 \times 10^{-9}$	128	5.1	0.001

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MR is positive as expected for the strong spin-orbit scattering and nearly magnetic conductors such as Pd and Pt alloys where spin subbands split so that  $\alpha F$  is large.

# Colossal Thermopower in FeSb<sub>2</sub>

A. Bentien et al., Europhys. Lett. 80, 17008 (2007)

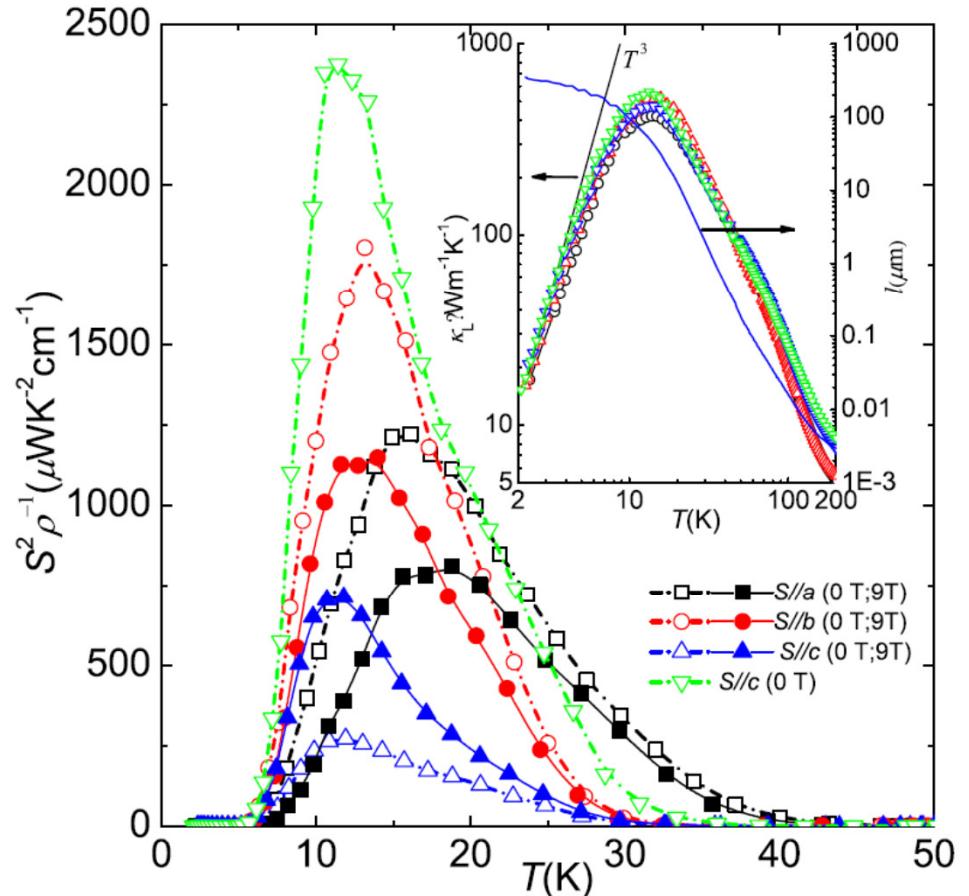
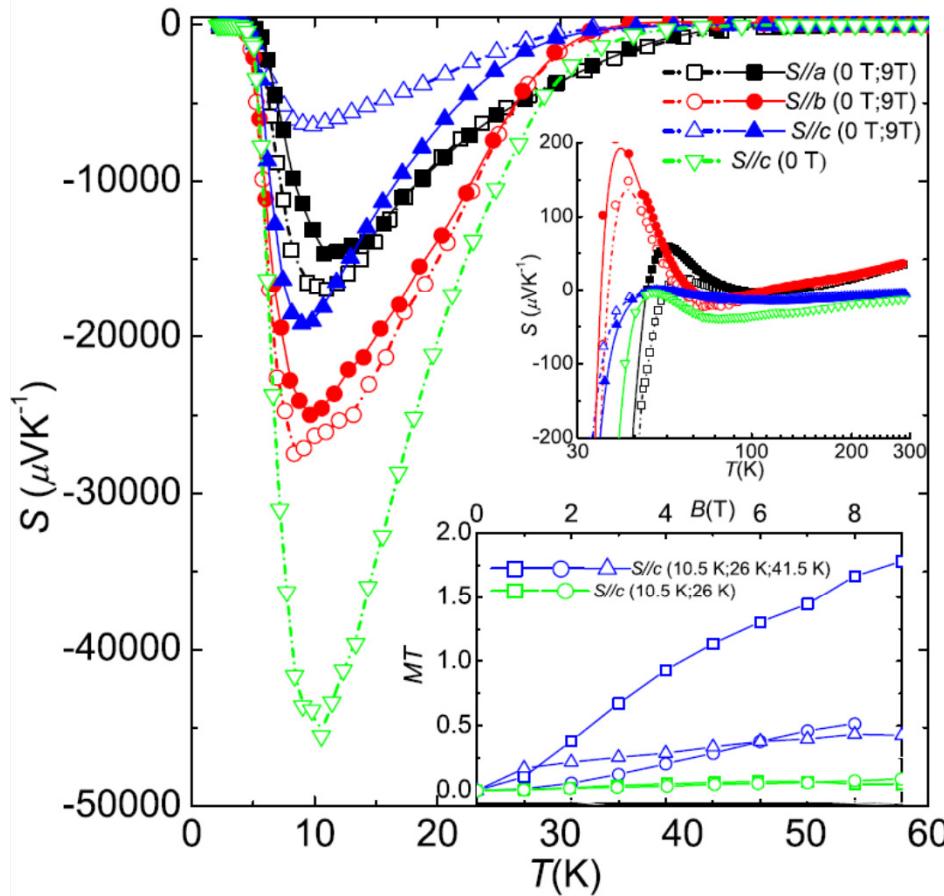
Large phonon mean free path + evidence of e-ph coupling

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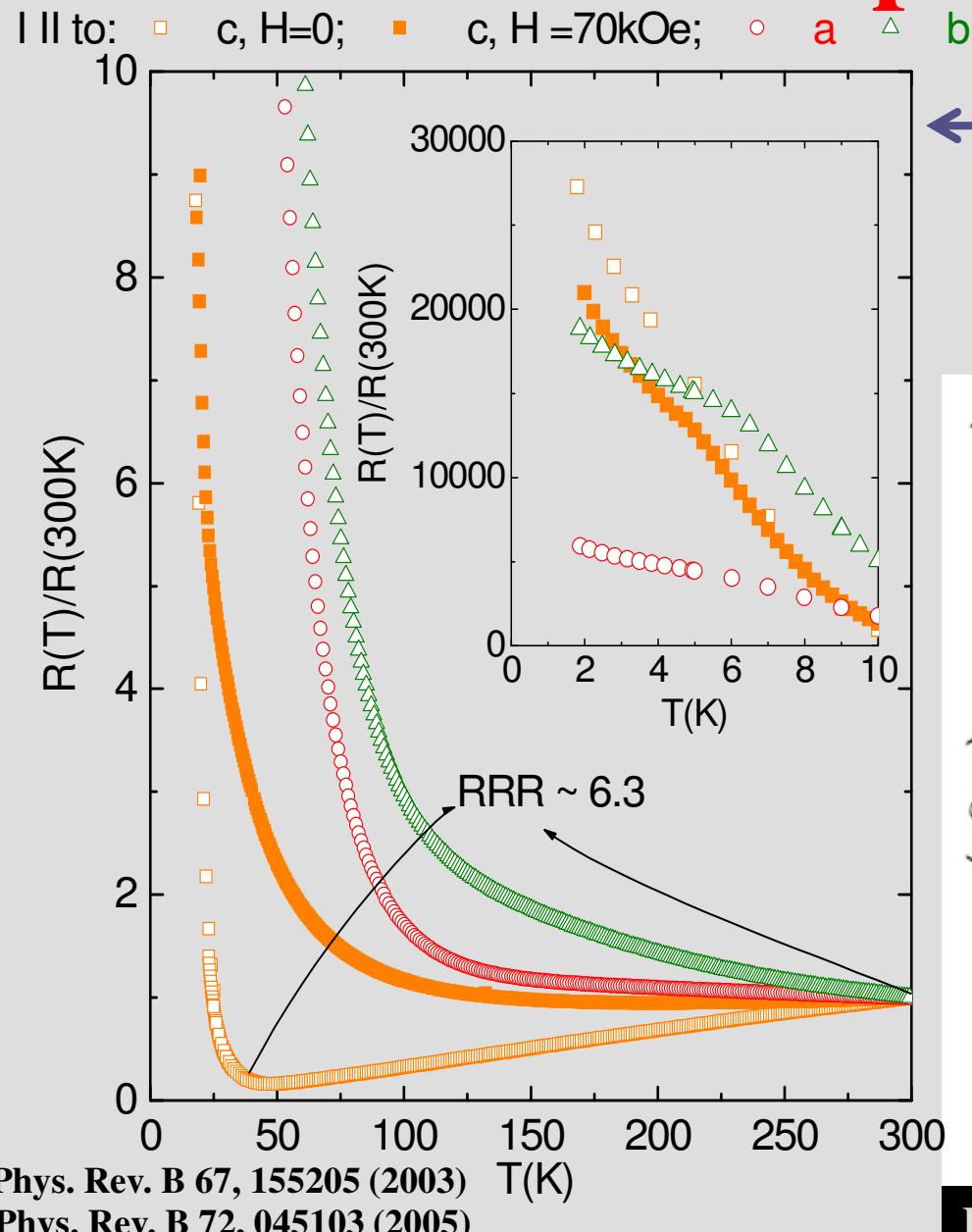
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P. Sun et al., Dalton Trans. 39, 1012 (2010) )

$\kappa_e$  important above 100K  
 $\kappa_L = (1/3)C(T)v_s l_p \rightarrow l_p = 350\mu m$

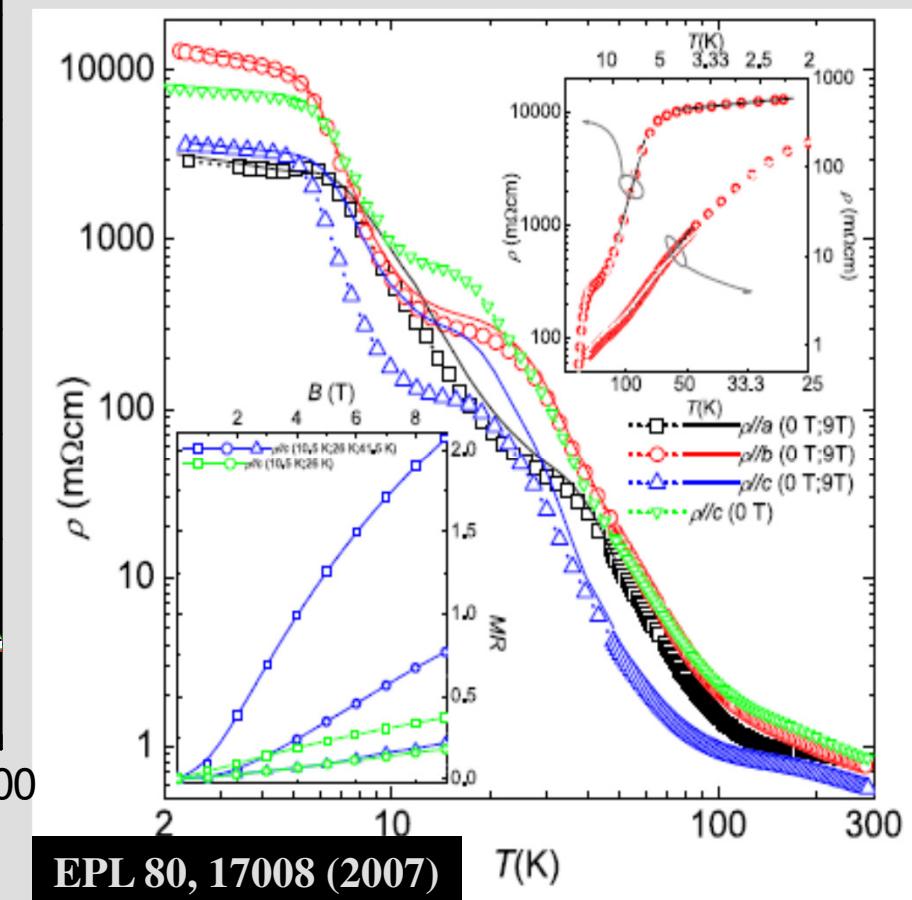


# Problems: sample dependence?

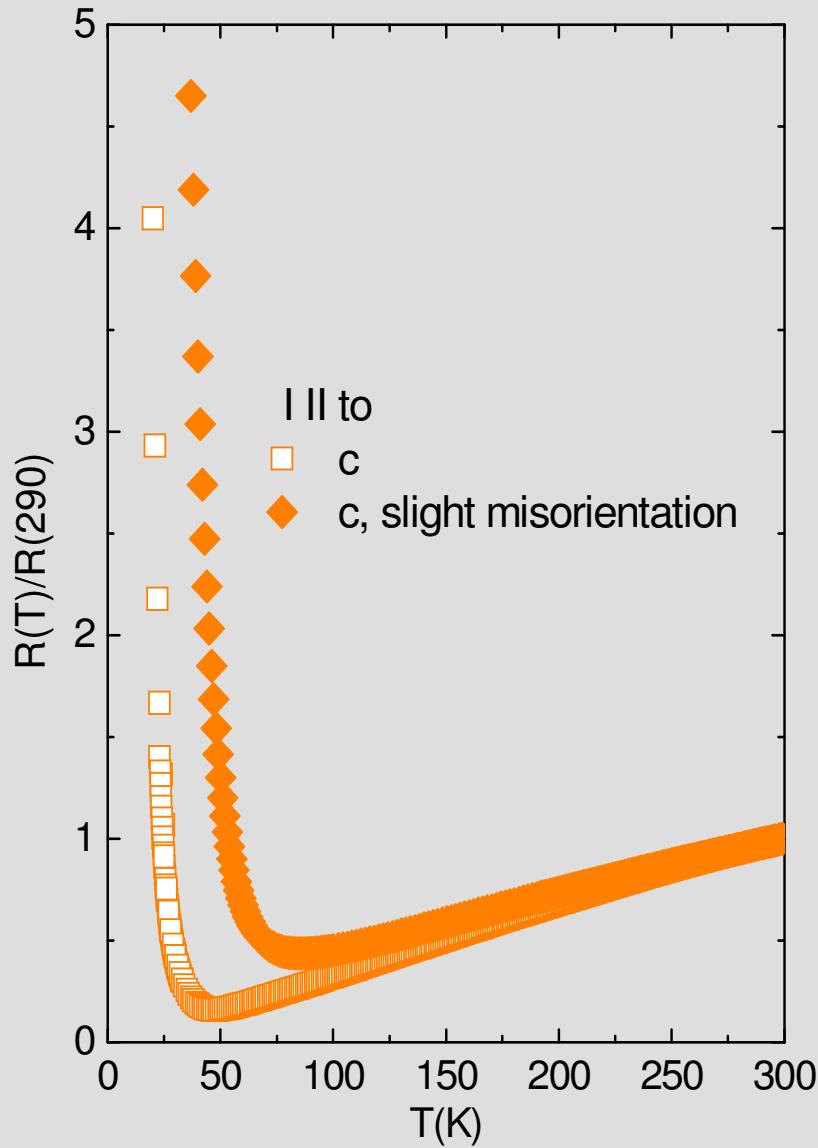


$\rho(300\text{K}) = 1.04\text{m}\Omega\text{cm}$  [a],  
 $0.31\text{m}\Omega\text{cm}$  [b],  $0.80\text{m}\Omega\text{cm}$  [c]

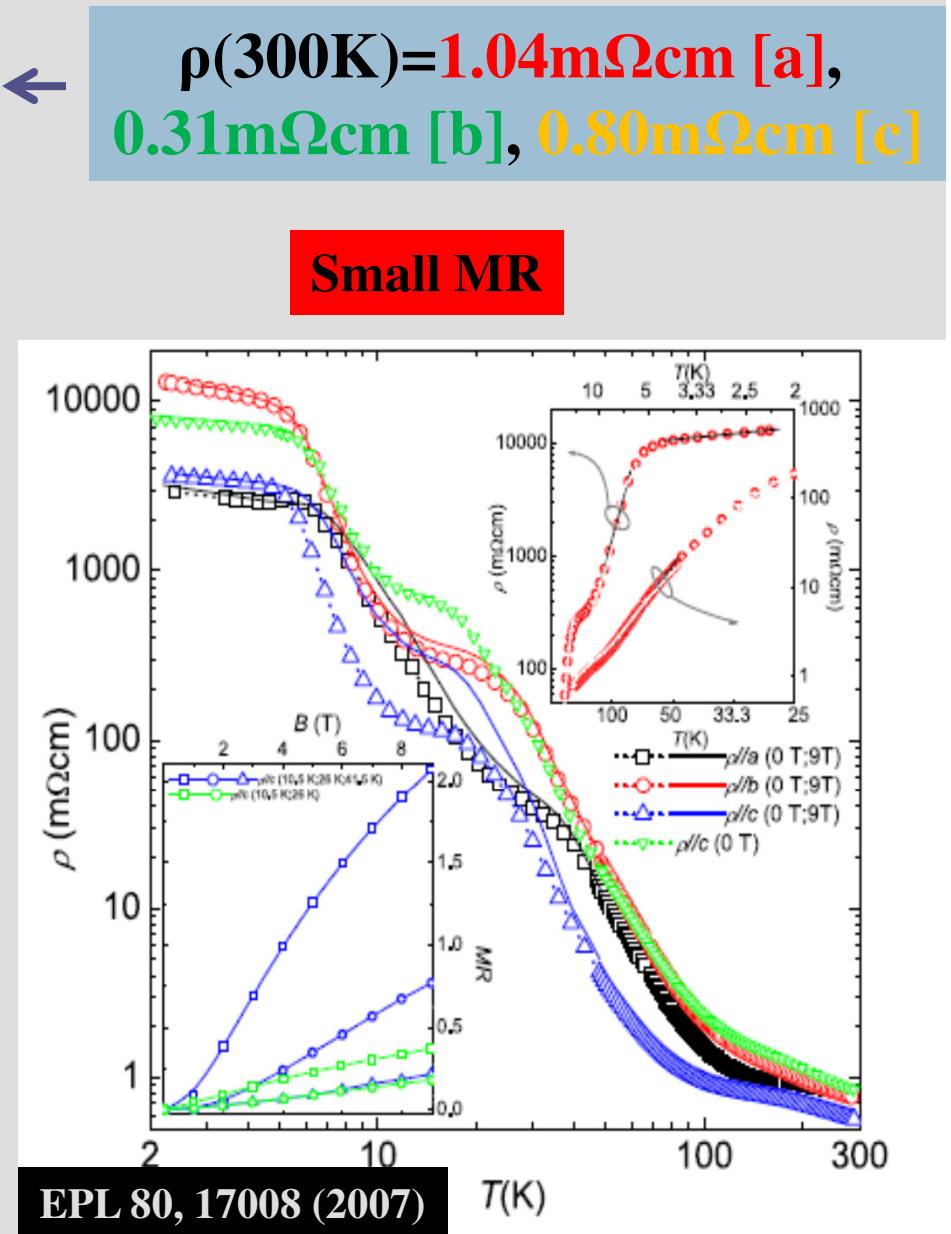
Small MR



# Problems: sample dependence?



Phys. Rev. B 67, 155205 (2003)  
 Phys. Rev. B 72, 045103 (2005)



# Comparison of FeSb<sub>2</sub> crystals

Phys. Rev. B 86, 115121 (2012)



no MIT crystal, similar to

A. Bentien et al., Phys. Rev. B 74, 205105 (2006)

A. Bentien et al., Europhys. Lett. 80, 17008 (2007)

• Optics:

44 meV (ab), (12.5-37) meV (c -axis)

(Europhys. B 54, 175 (2006))

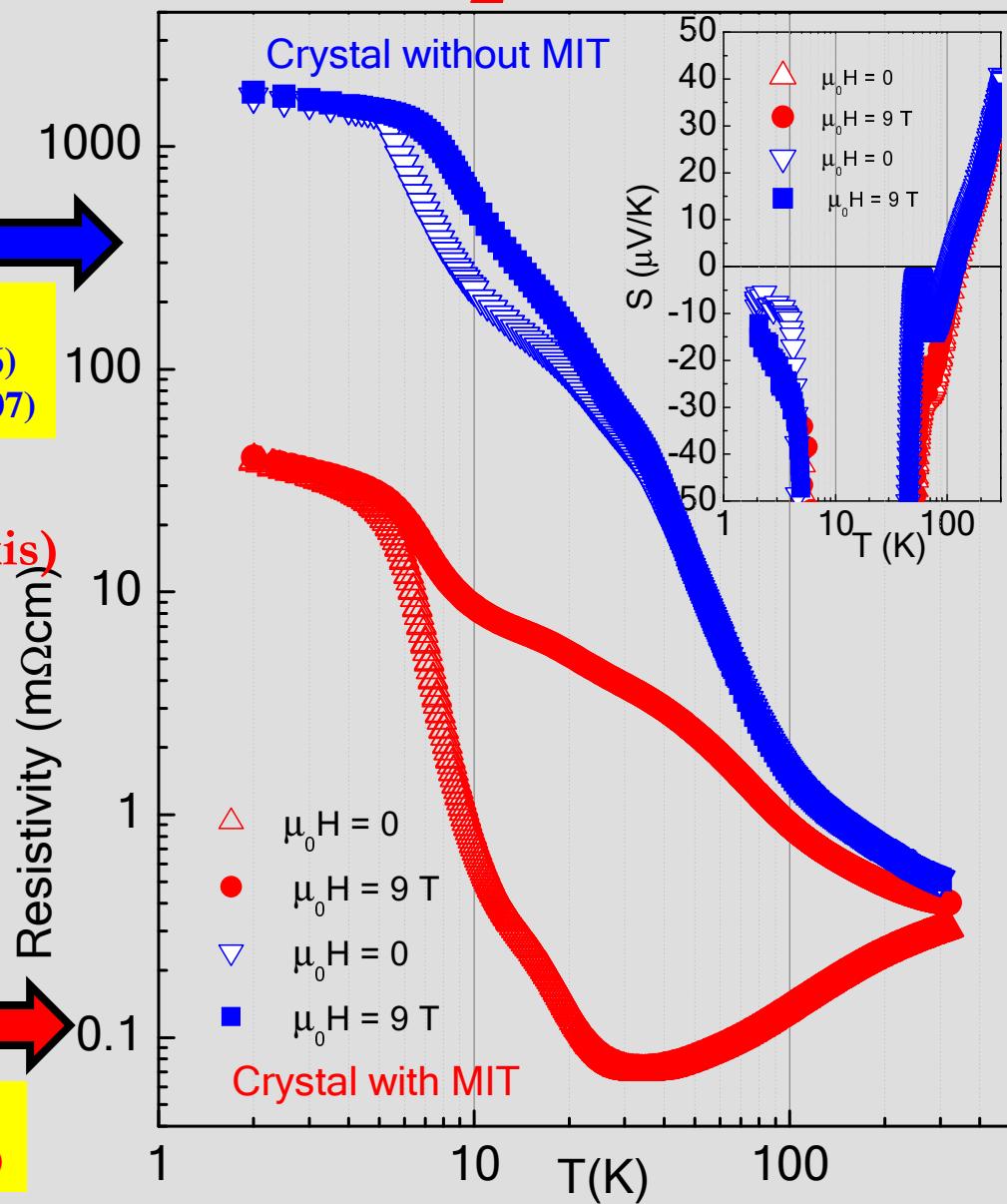
130meV (direct), (31 and 6) meV  
(indirect)

(Phys. Rev. B 82, 245205 (2010))



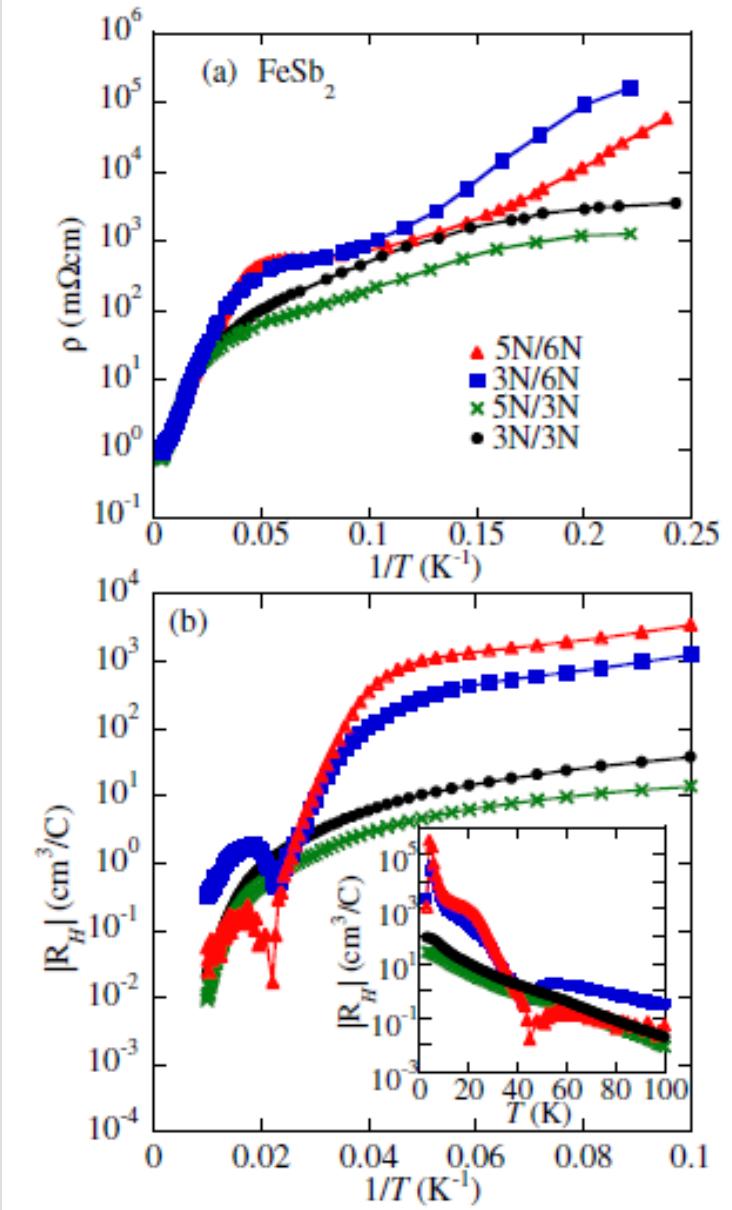
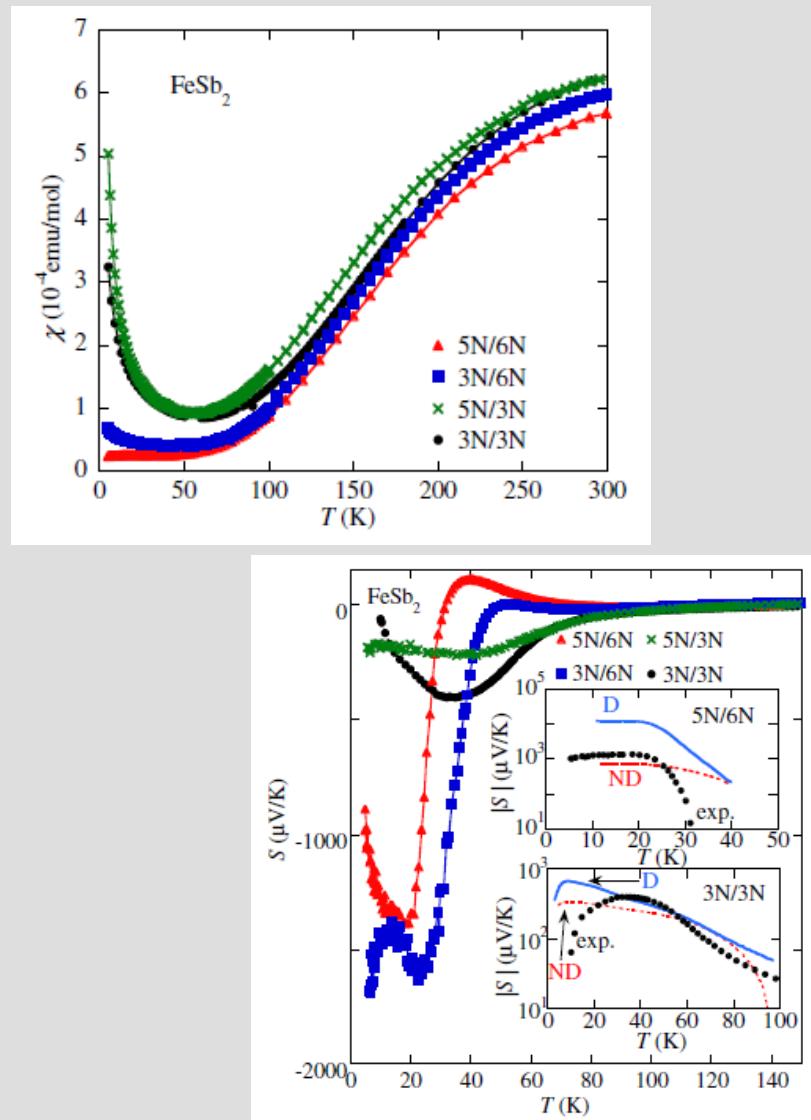
MIT crystal, similar to

C. Petrovic et al, Phys. Rev. B 67, 155205 (2003)



# Role of Simple Impurities?

H. Takahashi et al., J. Phys. Soc. Japan 80, 054708 (2011)

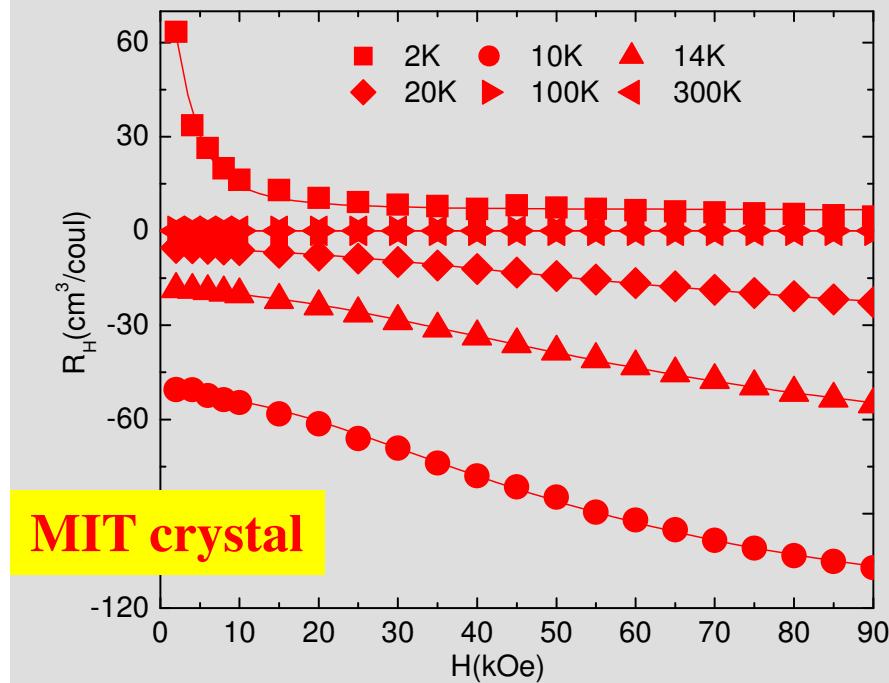


# FeSb<sub>2</sub> – multicarrier transport

$$R_H = -\frac{1}{H} \frac{\sum \sigma_{xy}^i}{(\sum \sigma_{xx}^i)^2 + (\sum \sigma_{xy}^i)^2}$$

$$\sigma_{xx}^i = \frac{qn_i\mu_i}{1+\mu_i^2 H^2}, \quad \sigma_{xy}^i = \frac{qn_i\mu_i^2 H}{1+\mu_i^2 H^2}$$

Carrier" is a set or collection of carriers having the same mobility, associated with only one energy or a degenerate energy level



two carrier system:

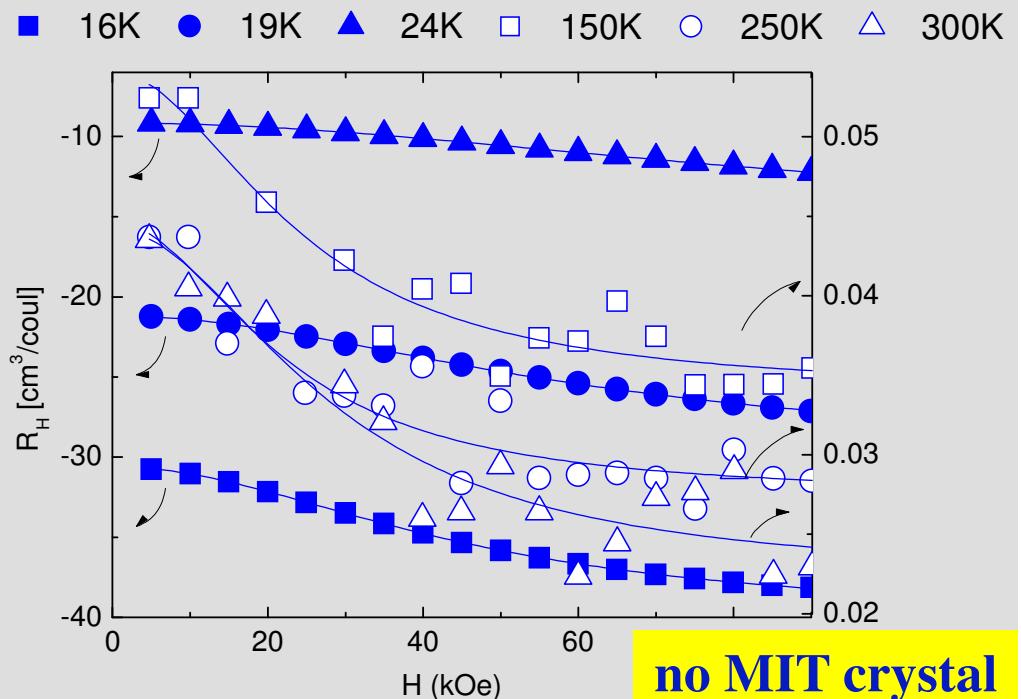
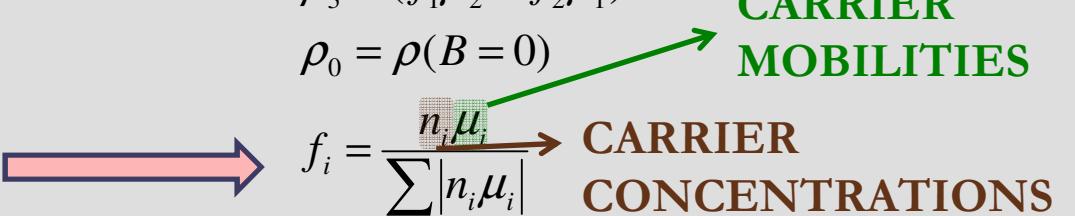
$$R_H = \frac{\rho_{xy}}{H} = \rho_0 \frac{\alpha_2 + \beta_2 H^2}{1 + \beta_3 H^2}$$

$$\alpha_2 = f_1\mu_1 + f_2\mu_2$$

$$\beta_2 = (f_1\mu_2 + f_2\mu_1)\mu_1\mu_2$$

$$\beta_3 = (f_1\mu_2 + f_2\mu_1)^2$$

$$\rho_0 = \rho(B=0)$$



# Two band model for S

## Noninteracting model

(J. Phys. Chem. Solids 29, 327 (1968)

Phys. Rev. B 77, 245204 (2008))

$$S = \frac{S_e \sigma_e + S_h \sigma_h}{\sigma_e + \sigma_h}$$

$$S_e = \frac{k_B}{e} \left[ \frac{\left(\frac{5}{2} + s\right) F_{\frac{3}{2}+s}(\xi_e)}{\left(\frac{3}{2} + s\right) F_{\frac{1}{2}+s}(\xi_e)} - \xi_e \right]$$

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$$F_j(\xi) = \int_0^\infty \frac{x^j}{1 + e^{(x-\xi)}} dx$$

Relaxation time energy dependence:  $\tau = \tau_0 E^s$

$$\xi = E_F/k_B T; E_F = (h^2/2m^*)(N/V)^{2/3}(3/8\pi)^{2/3}$$

and

$$E_{Fe} = -E_{Fh} + E_g; \xi_e = -\xi_h - E_0/k_B T; m^* = m_e$$

and

$s = -1/2$  (acoustic phonon scattering is dominant)

## Interacting model

Phys. Rev. B 82, 185104 (2010)

$$S = \frac{1}{|e|T} \left( \epsilon_F - \frac{\Delta}{2} \delta\lambda \right) - \frac{5k_B}{2|e|} \delta\lambda$$

assymetry  
parameter



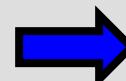
$$\delta\lambda = \frac{\lambda^c - \lambda^v}{\lambda^c + \lambda^v}; \lambda_{c,v} = \frac{Z_{c,v}^2 m_{c,v}^{*(5/2)} e^{\pm \beta \mu}}{\Gamma_{c,v} m_0^2}$$

quasiparticle weights  
scattering amplitudes

In this model different  
band narrowings  
( $m^*$ ) enter not only  
via  $\delta\lambda$  but also via  $\epsilon_F$ :

$$\epsilon_F = \left( \frac{3k_B T}{4} \right) \ln \left( \frac{m_v^*}{m_c^*} \right)$$

$$m_{c,v}^* = \frac{e \tau_{c,v}}{\mu_{c,v}}$$



$$\frac{Z_{c,v}^2 \tau_{c,v}^{5/2}}{\Gamma_{c,v}}$$

becomes fit  
parameter, in  
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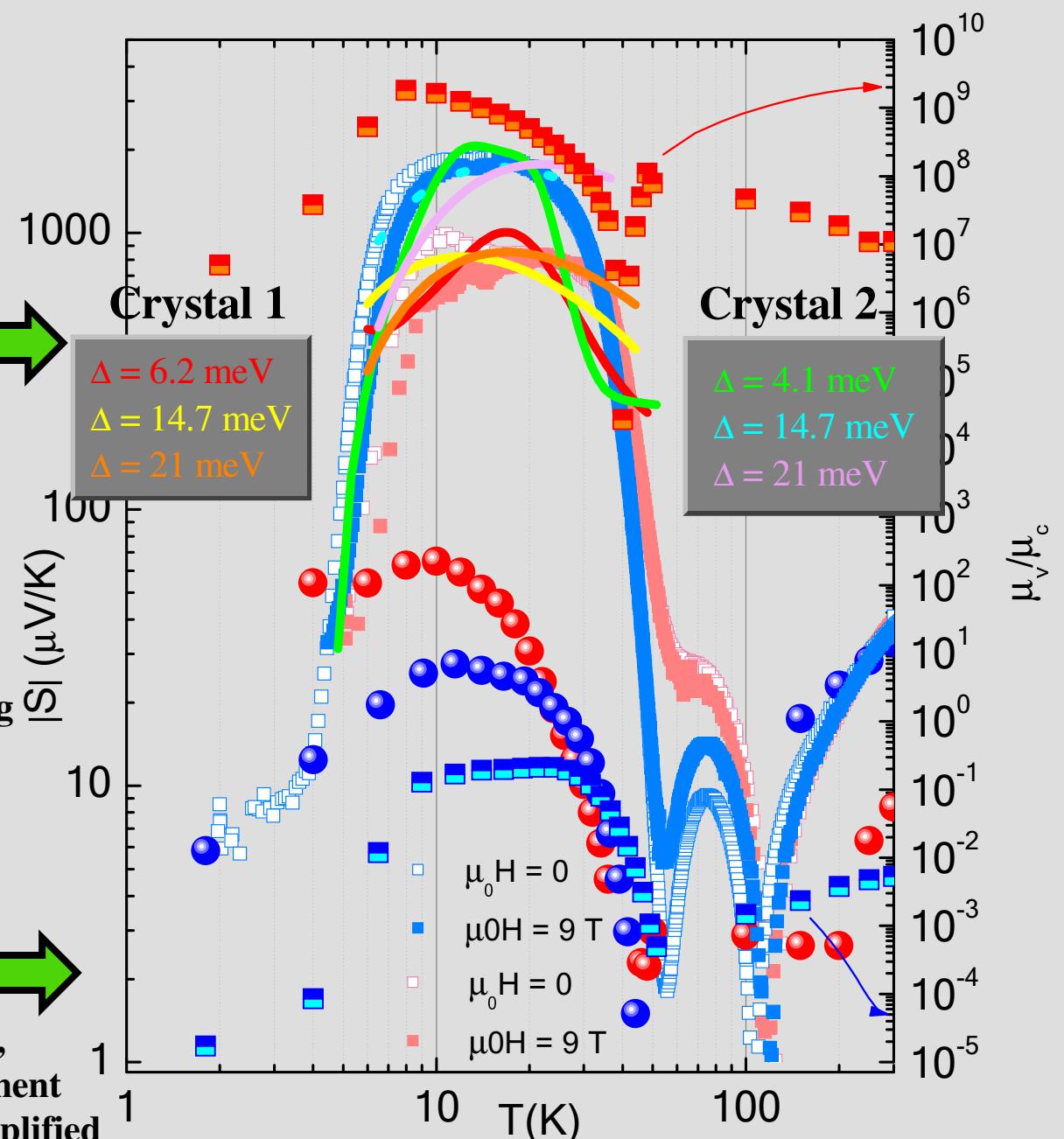
quasiparticle weights  $\uparrow$   $\uparrow$   
scattering amplitudes

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	$e\tau$	$Z^2 \tau^{5/2}$	becomes fit
(2-5)K	(10 - 30)K	(80 - 100)K	$Z\Gamma$
0.14(1) meV	6.2(1) meV	metallic	$6.2 \cdot 10^{-8}$

# Two band model for S: fits



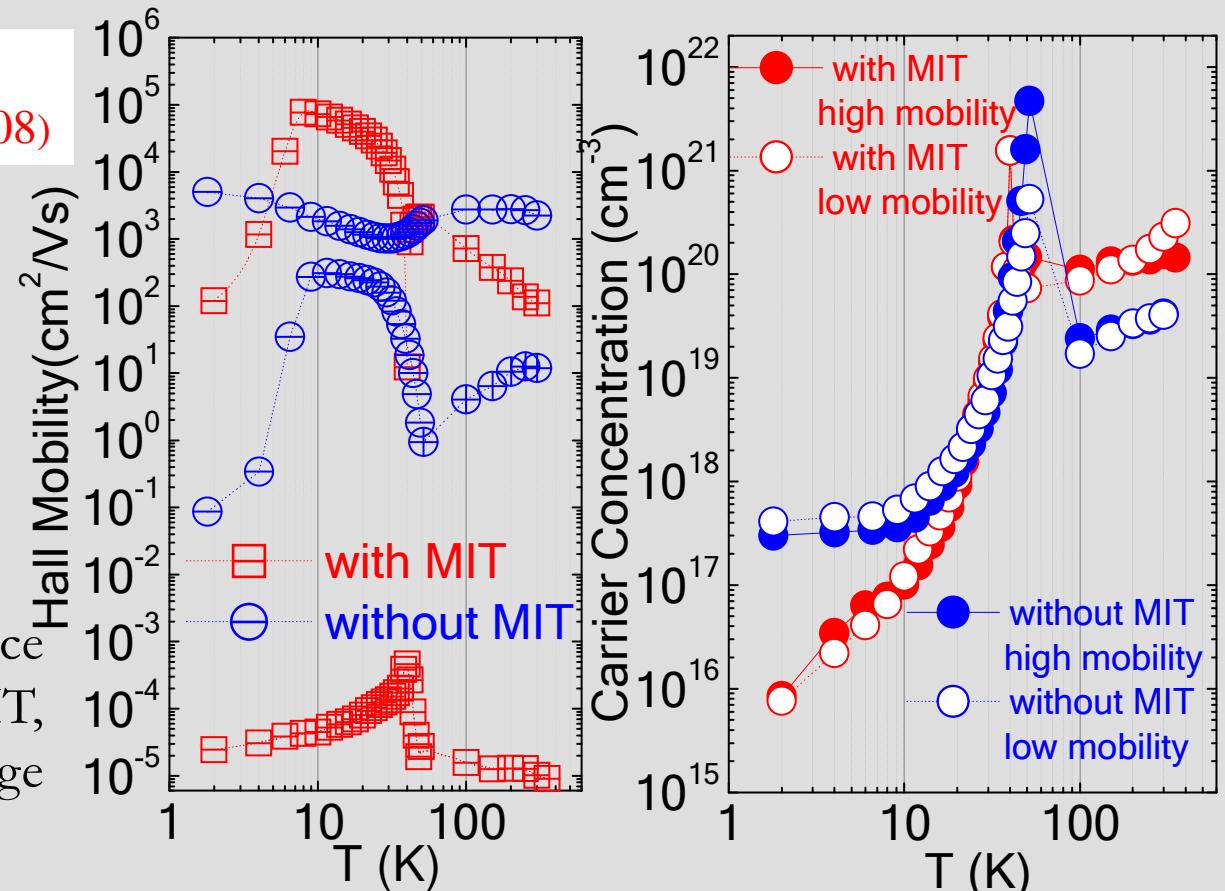
# Back to Two Band Conduction

Rongwei Hu (胡荣伟) et al,  
Appl. Phys. Lett. 92, 182108 (2008)

Crystal with MIT:  $\mu_v >> \mu_c$

Crystal with no MIT: opposite  
 $\mu_c >> \mu_v$

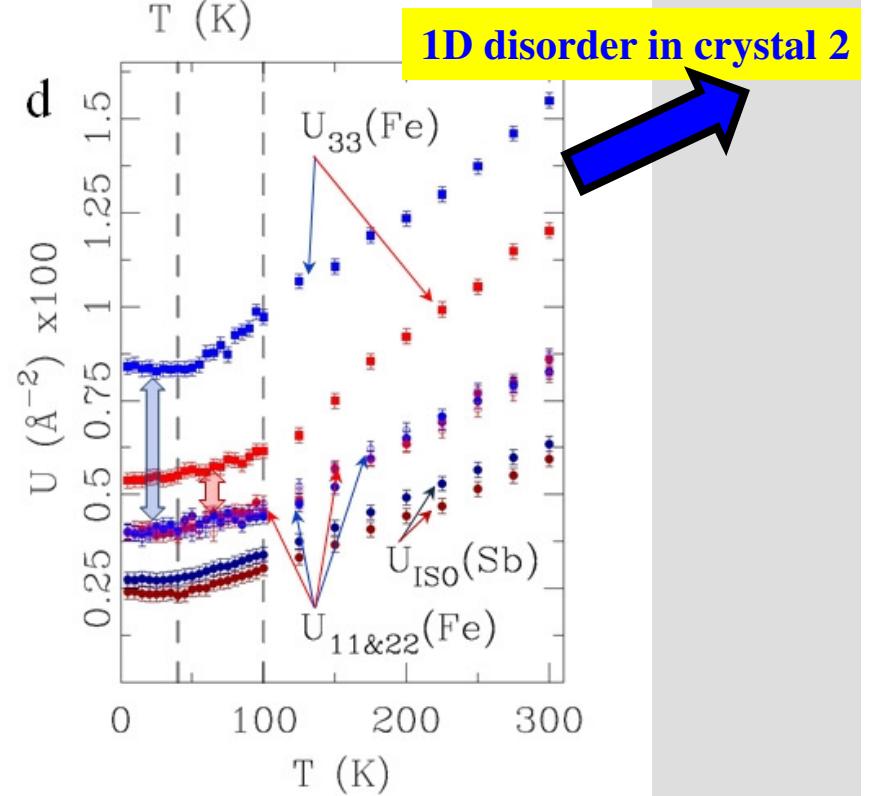
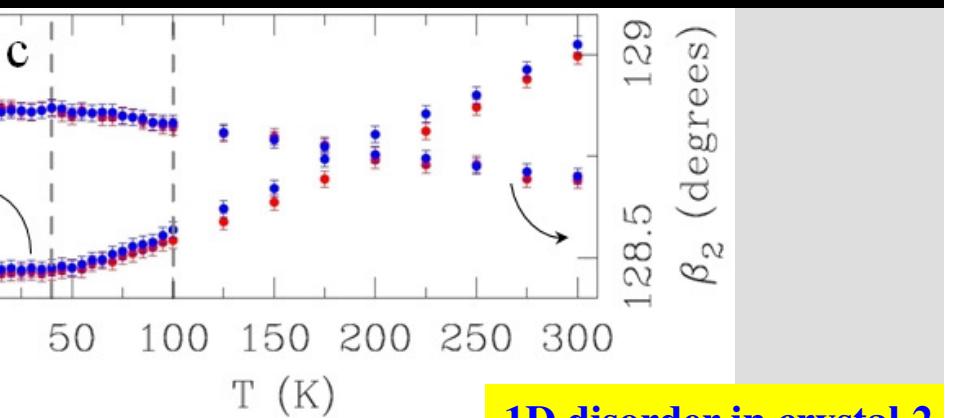
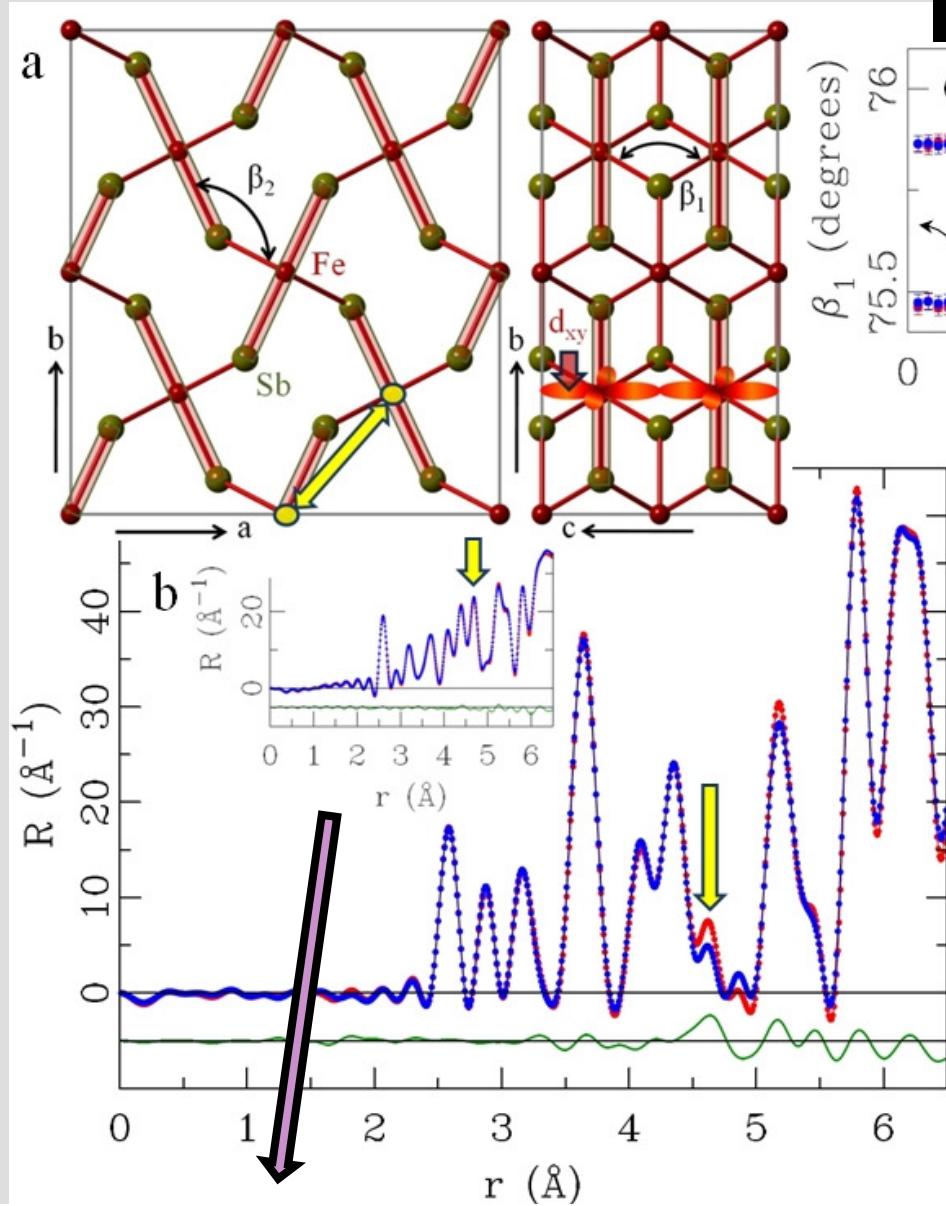
But, temperature dependence similar and with anomaly at MIT, both bands with holes change sign below MIT



Lowest unoccupied states are from  $d_{xy}$ : nonbonding and overlap along c axis of the crystal (chains of edge sharing octahedra) forming quasi 1D band → MIT sample q above 40 K due to holes in nearly filled valence band. At MIT  $d_{xy}$  is depleted and attains half filling in crystal 1, whereas disorder in crystal 2 inhibits metallicity due to localization, impacts the  $d_{xy}$  overlap and orbital dependent Hubbard U in  $d_{xy}$  band of itinerant states

# X ray PDF: Local Structure Differences

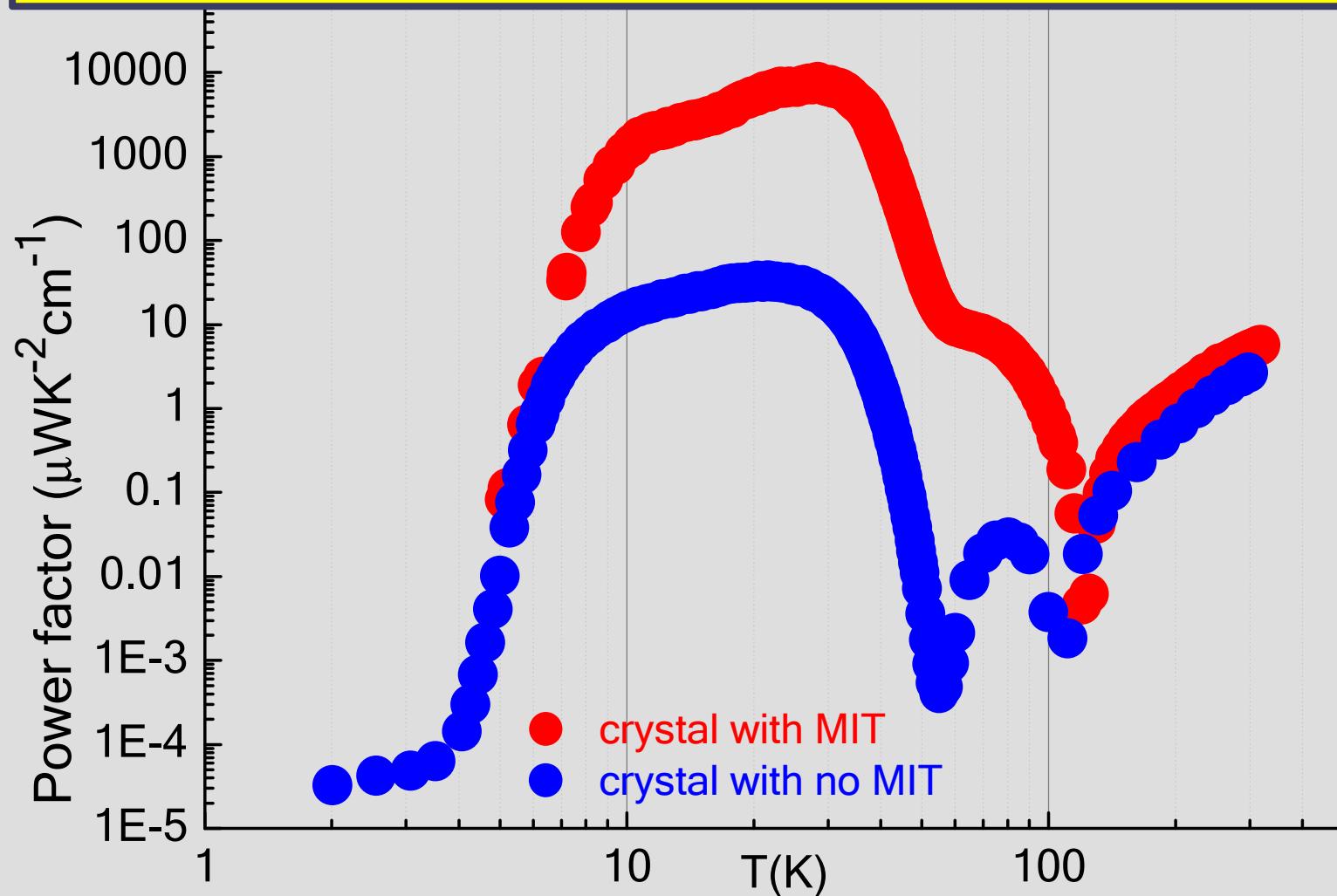
E. Bozin, S. Billinge (BNL), A. Llobet (LANSCE)



Neutron PDF: Identical local structure

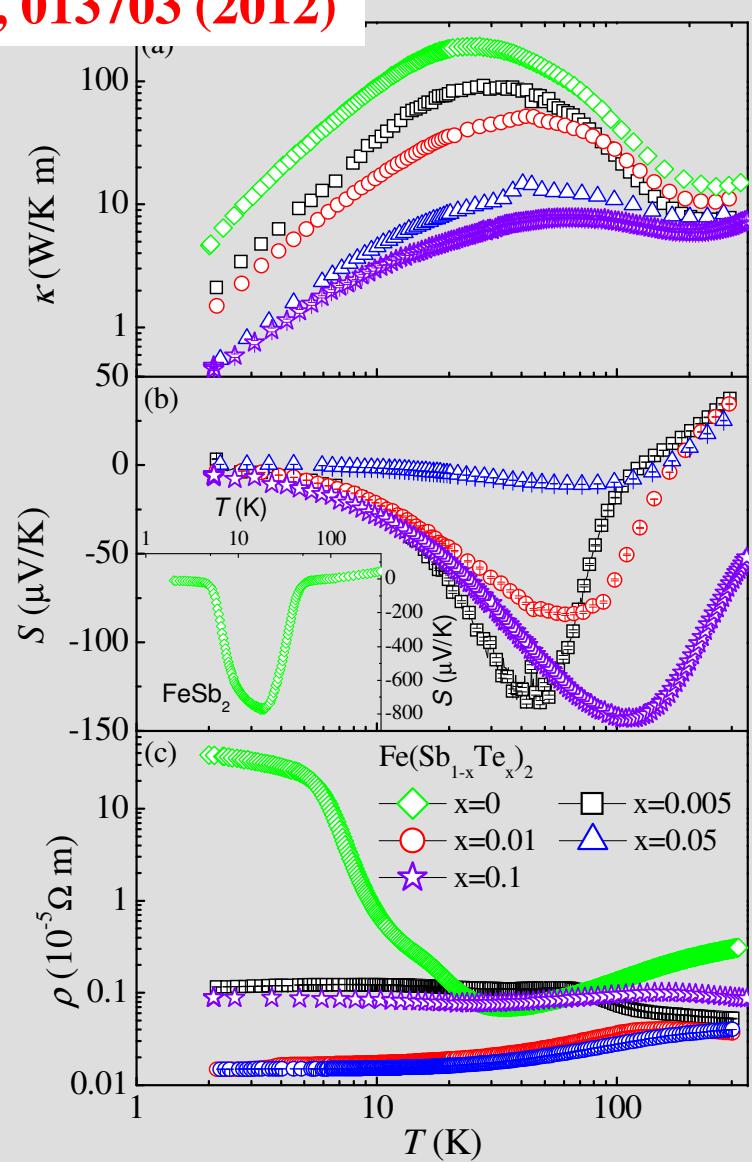
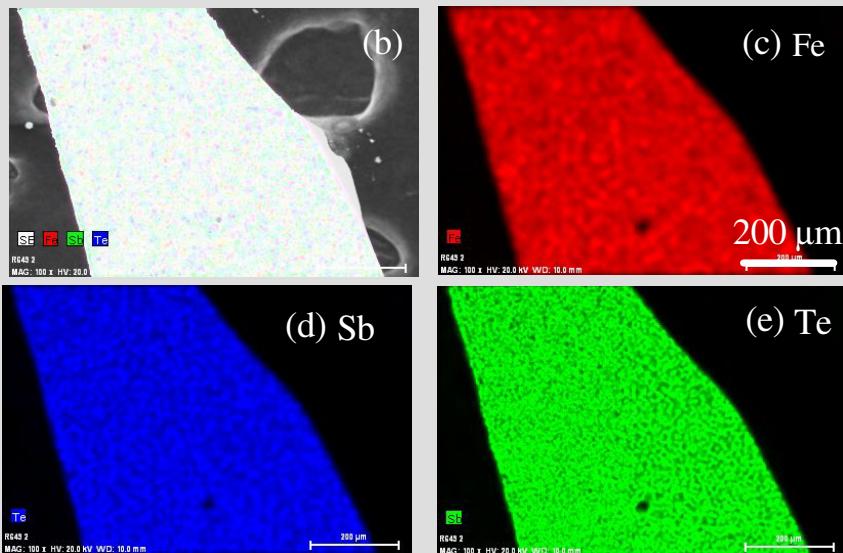
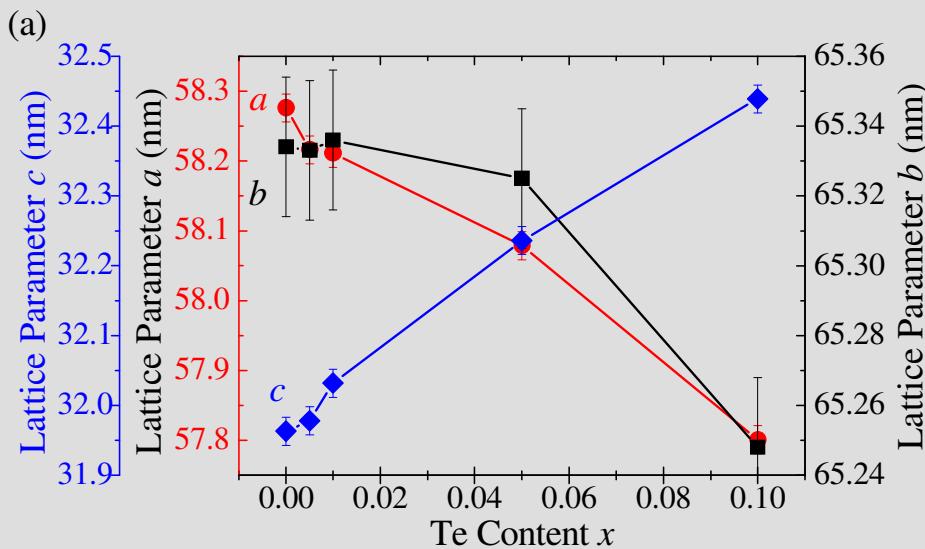
# Increase in Thermoelectric Power Factor

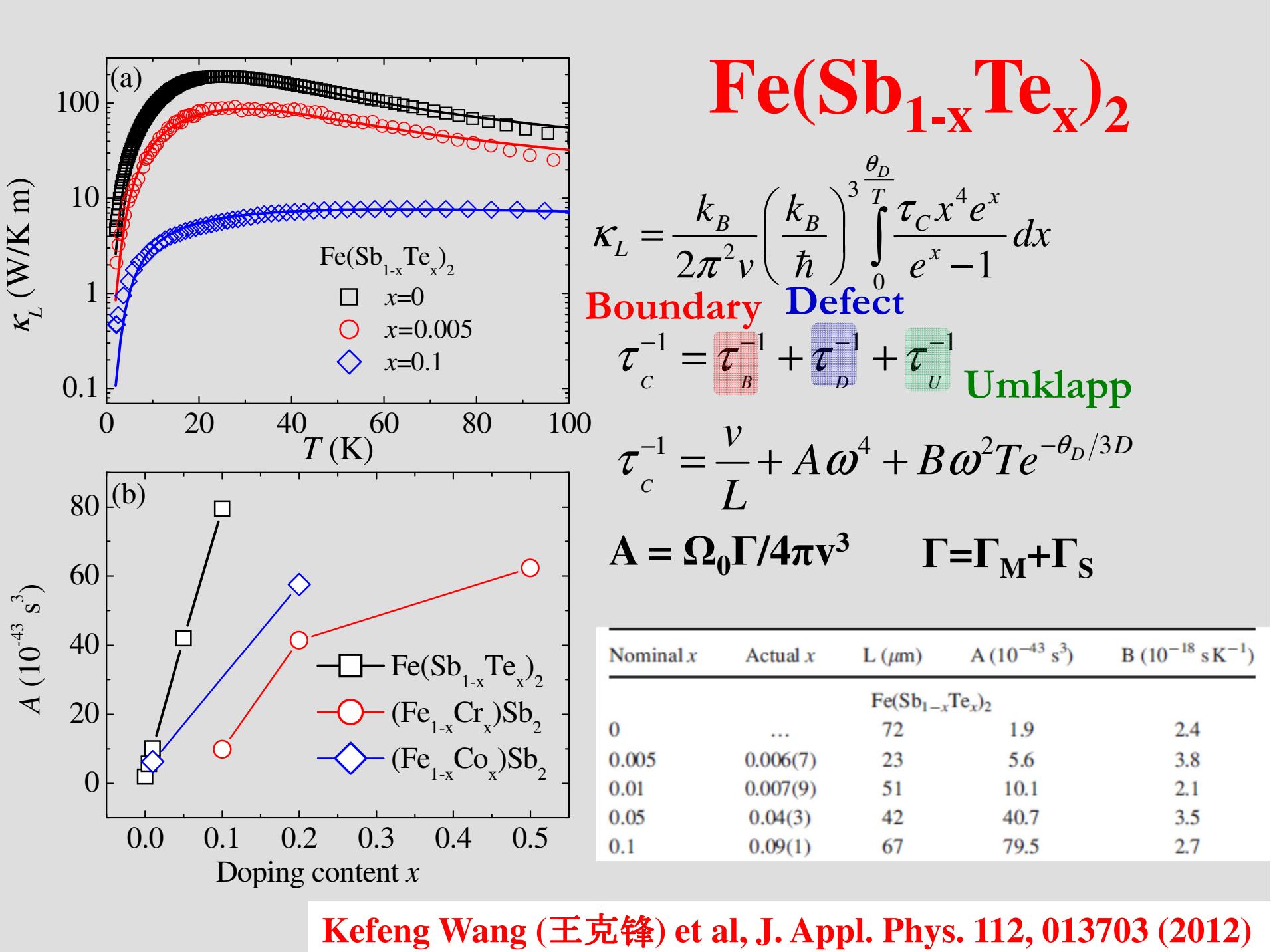
Qing Jie, Rongwei Hu (胡荣伟) et al, Phys. Rev. B 86, 115121 (2012):  
Highest known thermoelectric power factor  
(ELECTRONIC CORRELATIONS AND DISORDER)



# Fe( $Sb_{1-x}Te)_2$ : Reduction of $\kappa$

Kefeng Wang (王克锋) et al, J. Appl. Phys. 112, 013703 (2012)



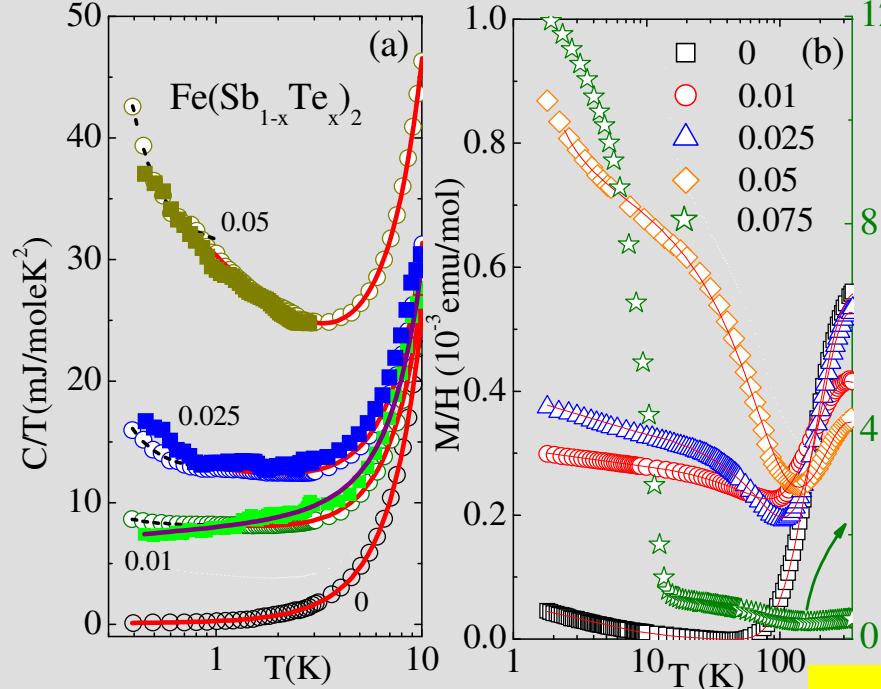


# Electronic Griffiths Phase in Fe(Sb<sub>1-x</sub>Te)<sub>2</sub>

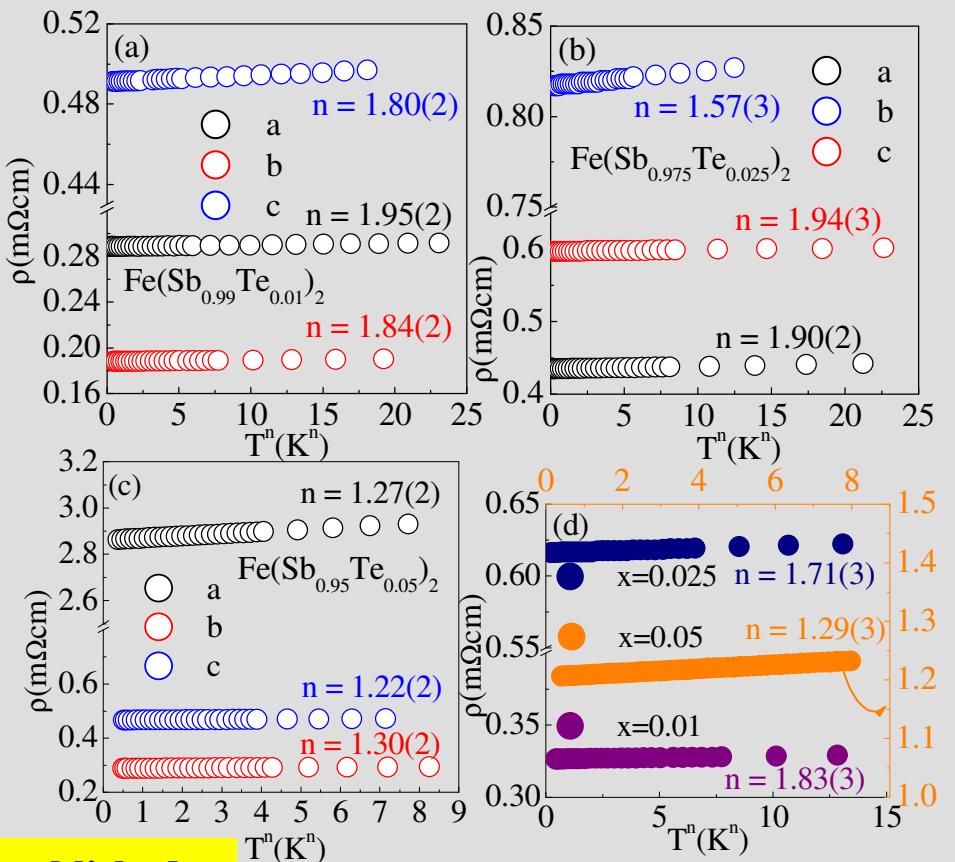
$x$	$\Delta(K)$	$W(K)$	$\mu_1(\mu_B)$	$\Theta_1$ (K)	$a$	$\lambda_\chi$	$\lambda_C$	$\gamma_0$ (mJ/molK <sup>2</sup> )	$\beta$	$\delta$	$c$	$N(E_F)$	$m^*(m_e)$	$R_W$	
0	425(9)	310(8)	0.030(2)	0.8(2)					~ 0	0.16(1)	0.0008(9)		0.0039(4)		
0.01	436(7)	451(6)	0.035(3)	1.6(3)	856(9)	0.86(3)	0.91(7)		8.7(2)	0.12(7)	0.0007(6)	8.1(8)	3.7(2)	21(1)	2.7
0.025	448(4)	525(9)	0.036(1)	3.7(3)	1117(3)	0.84(2)	0.87(5)		13.9(3)	0.15(9)	0.0005(9)	12.8(9)	5.9(3)	25(1)	2.1
0.05	453(5)	525(9)	0.039(2)	1.8(5)	1078(9)	0.89(4)	0.72(3)		39.2(3)	0.27(3)	0.0002(1)	30.2(8)	16.7(4)	56(2)	2.3

$$\frac{C(T)}{T} = \beta T^2 + \delta T^4 + c T^{-1+\lambda_c}$$

$$\chi(T) = \chi_{NB}(T) + \frac{C_1}{T - \theta_1} + a T^{-1+\lambda_\chi}$$



Rongwei Hu (胡荣伟) et al., PRL in press (2012)



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# Electronic Griffiths Phase in Fe(Sb<sub>1-x</sub>Te)<sub>2</sub>

$$S = \frac{(\pi k_B)^2}{2e} \frac{T}{T_F} = \frac{\gamma T}{ne}$$

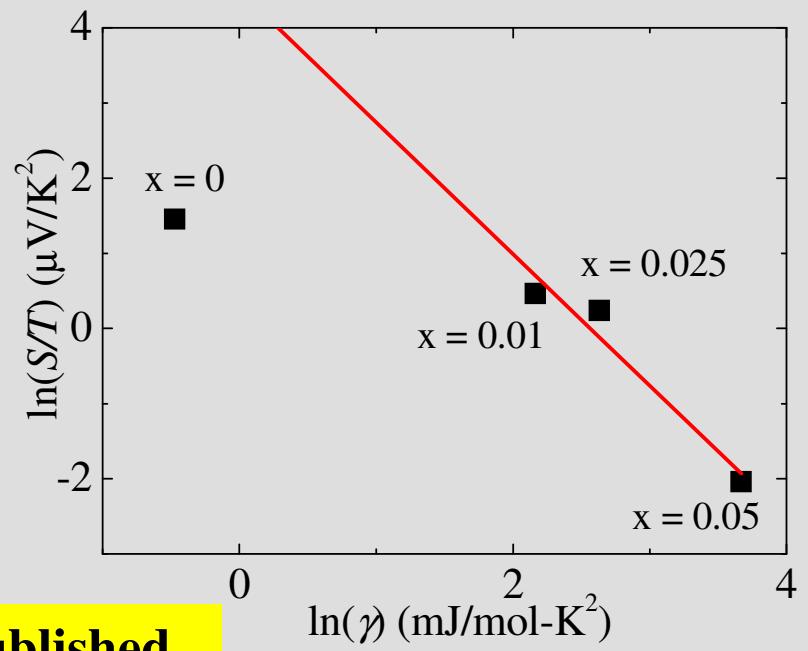
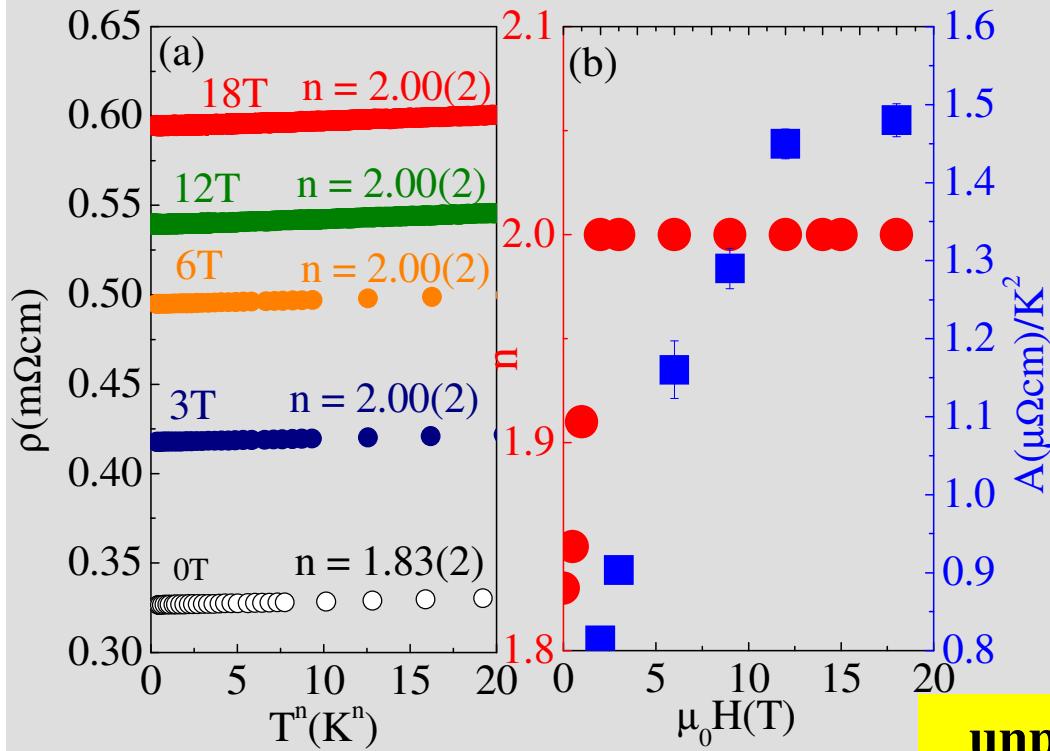
$$\gamma = \frac{c_{el}}{T} \frac{\pi^2 n k_B}{T_F}$$

Scaling:  $q = \frac{SN_{av}e}{T\gamma} = \pm 1$

In metals with  $n \sim N_{Av}$  and parabolic bands as  $T \rightarrow 0$ :  
 $S/T \sim n^{-\mu}$  and  $\gamma \sim n^\varepsilon$  ( $\mu=2/3$ ,  $\varepsilon=1/3$ ,  $\mu+\varepsilon=1$ )

Near MIT from metallic side modified, eg. FeSi<sub>1-x</sub>Al<sub>x</sub> :  
 $(S/T) \sim \gamma^{-0.9}$  (PRB 78, 075123 (2008))

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# Conclusions

- New model material created.
- Heavy Fermion state, intrinsic WFM and Metal-Insulator transition with doping.
- CMR in  $\text{Fe}_{1-x}\text{Co}_x\text{Sb}_2$ : correlated electron disorder and localization in quasi-1D conducting channel.
- Electronic Seebeck and largest known thermoelectric power factor. MIT more important than S.
- Electronic Griffiths phase near MIT in  $\text{Fe}(\text{Sb}_{1-x}\text{Te}_x)_2$