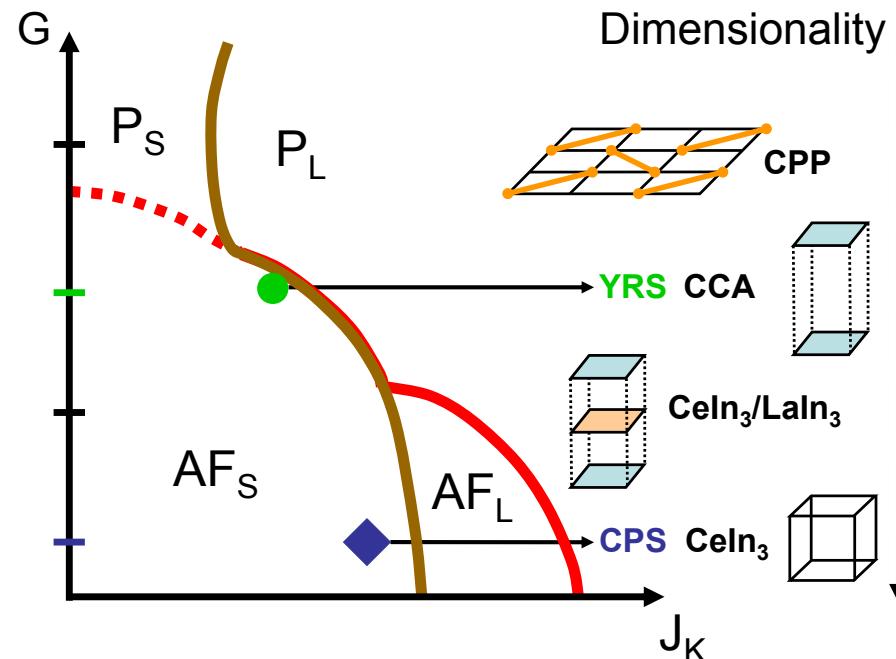


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- The new *cubic* material  $\text{Ce}_3\text{Pd}_{20}\text{Si}_6$
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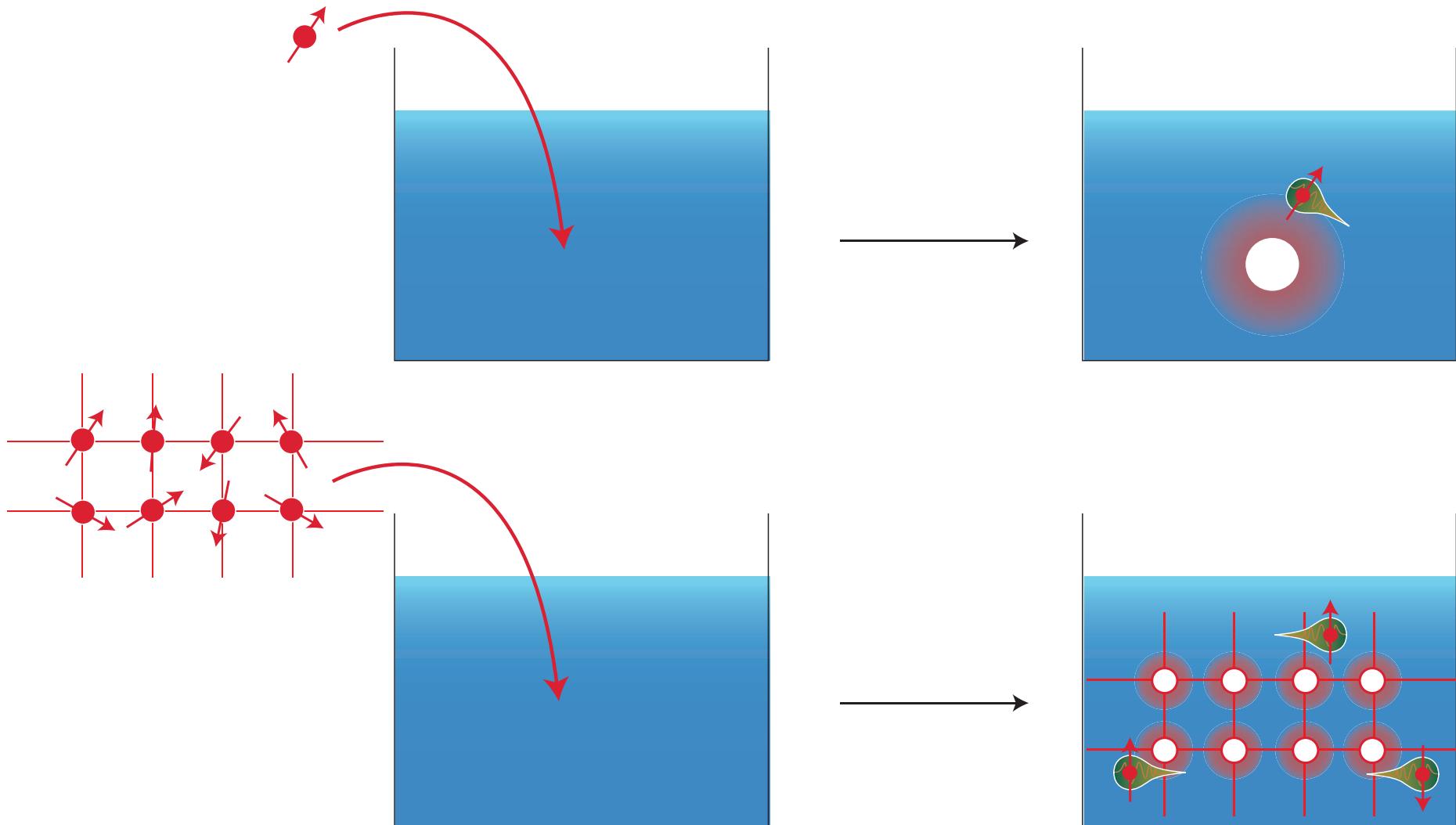
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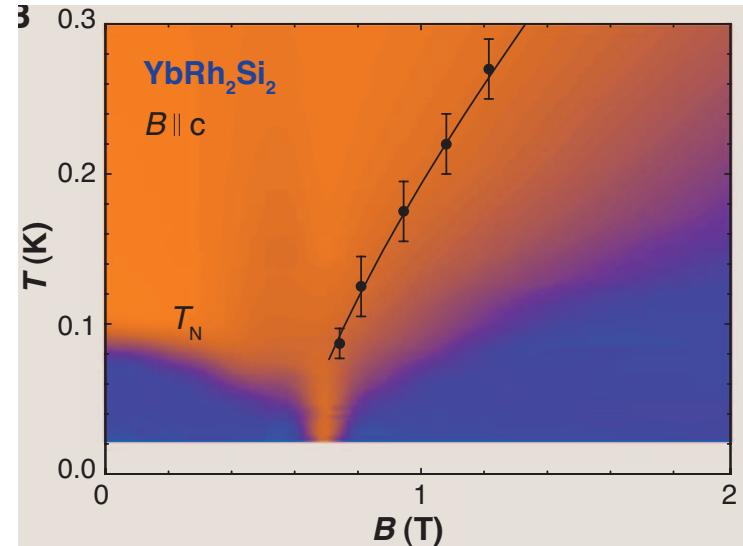
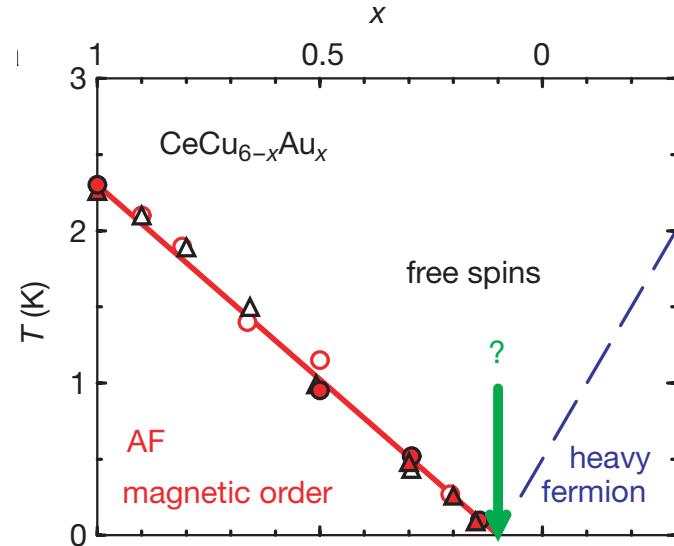
## Kondo effect and heavy fermion compounds



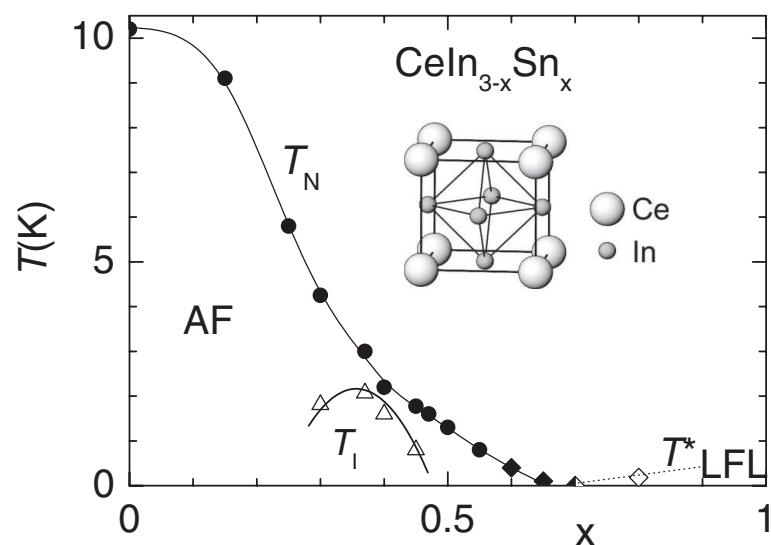
(Coleman, Nature Mater. 11 (2012) 185, news & views)

# NFL behaviour at quantum critical points

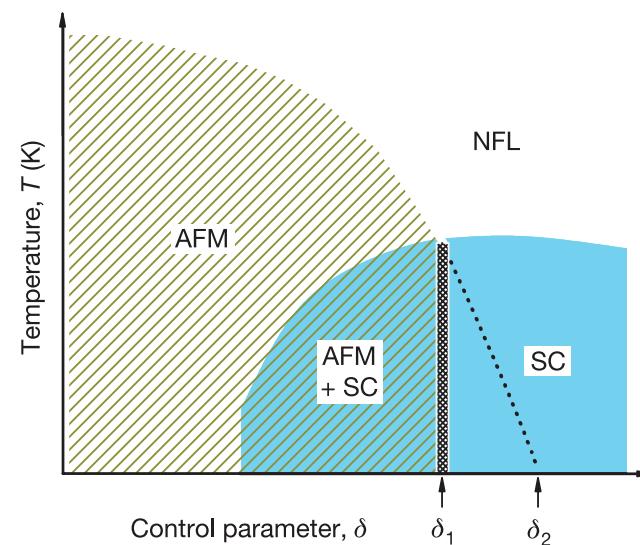
$\text{CeCu}_{6-x}\text{Au}_x$  (Schröder et al, Nature 2000)     $\text{YbRh}_2\text{Si}_2$  (Custers et al., Nature 2001)



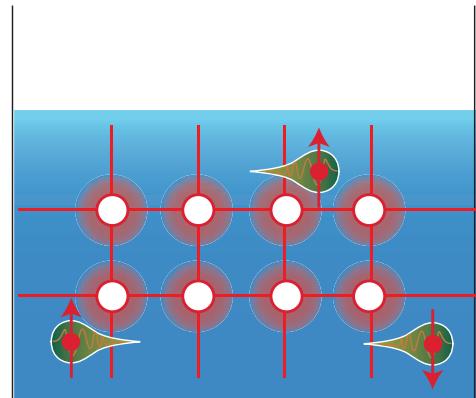
$\text{CeIn}_{3-x}\text{Sn}_x$  (Küchler et al, PRL 2006)



$\text{CeRhIn}_5$  (Park et al., Nature 2006)

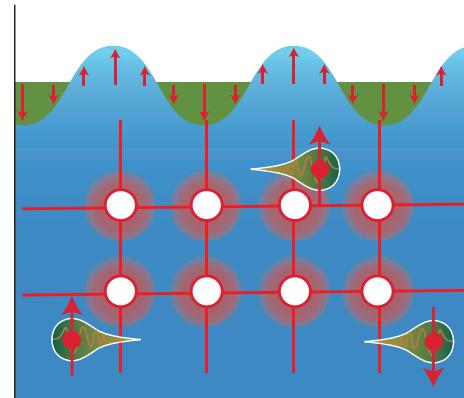


## Standard scenario: Spin density wave (SDW) formation



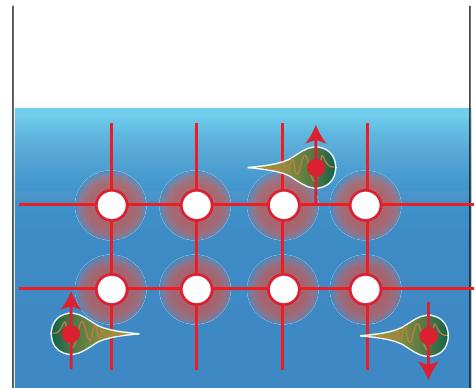
Paramagnet

(i) SDW



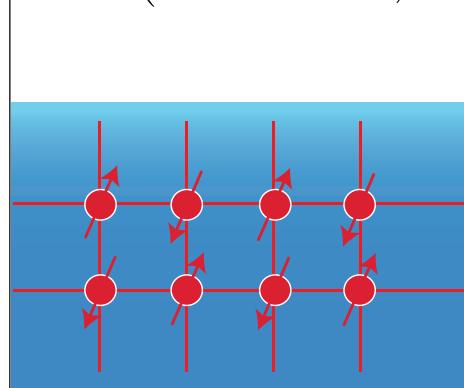
Itinerant antiferromagnet

## Alternative scenario **in 2D**: Kondo breakdown (Coleman, Si, Schröder, ...)



Paramagnet

(ii) KD

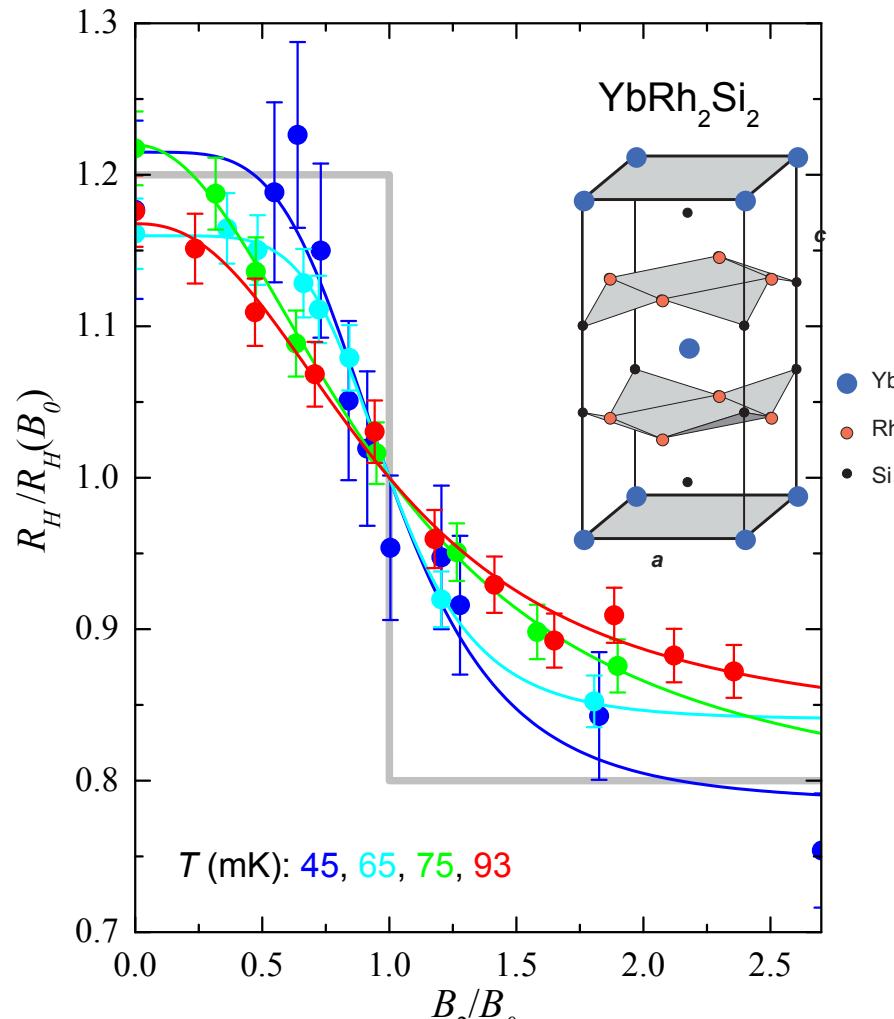


Local moment antiferromagnet

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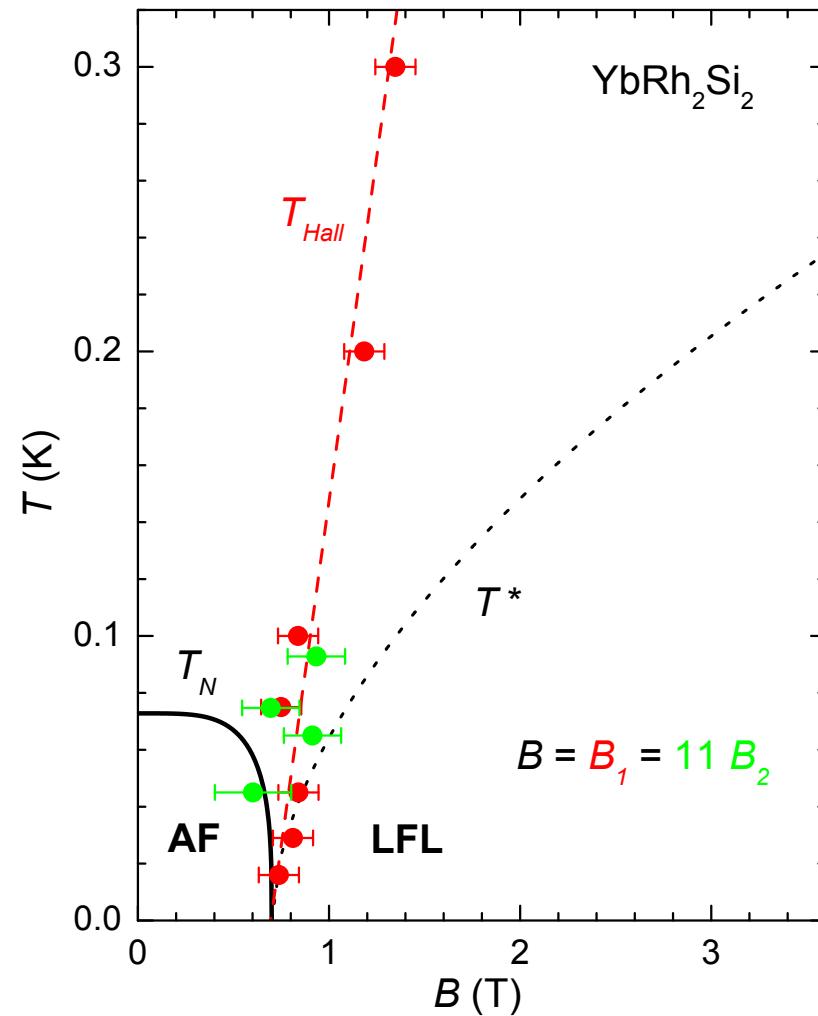
# Hall effect in tetragonal $\text{YbRh}_2\text{Si}_2$ with 2D spin fluctuations

## Hall coefficient vs field



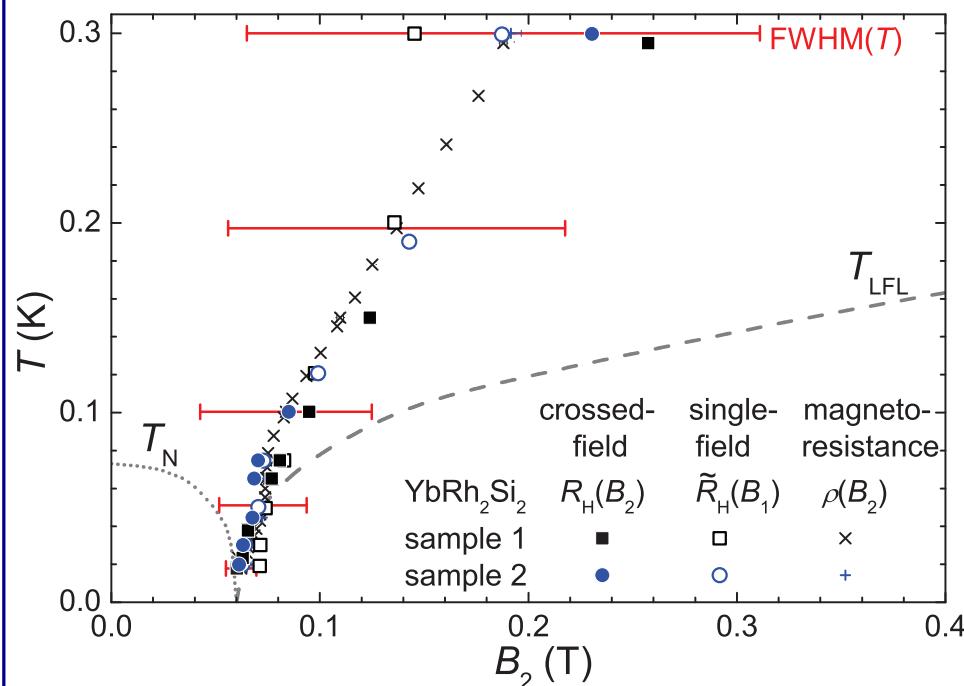
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## Phase diagram

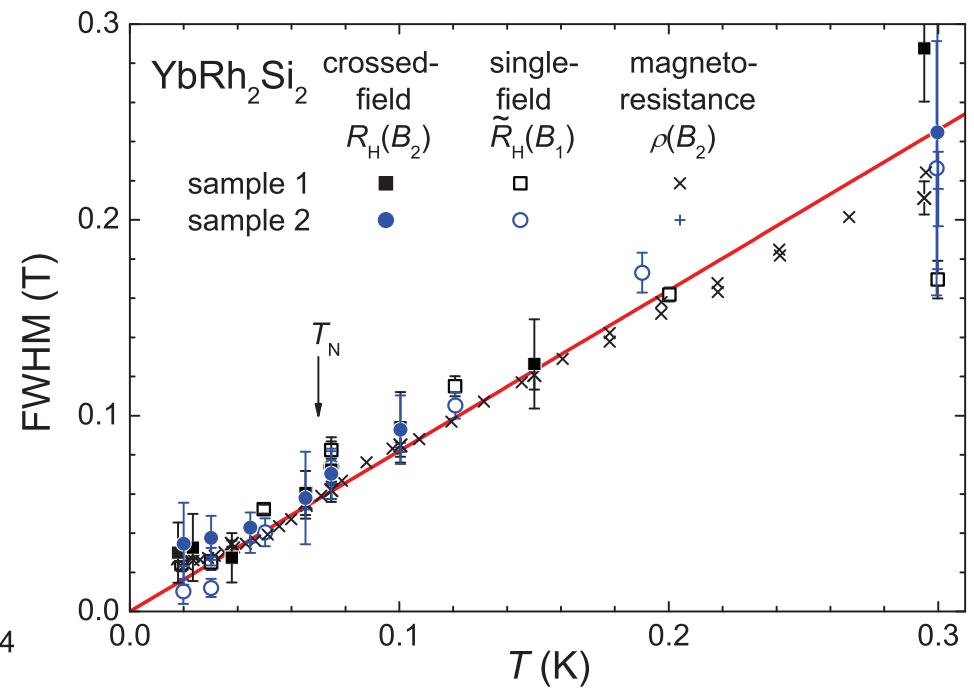


# Hall effect in tetragonal $\text{YbRh}_2\text{Si}_2$ with 2D spin fluctuations: Experiments on purest samples with enhanced resolution

Phase diagram



Crossover width



(Friedemann et al., PNAS 107  
(2010) 14547)

$\text{FWHM} \sim T$  (valid up to 1 K)

Suggested scenarios (list incomplete ...):

**Kondo breakdown/Orbital selective Mott transition:**

Kondo lattice, Kondo-Heisenberg, PAM, Bose-Fermi Kondo models, ...

*Coleman, Fabrizio, Kim, Kotliar, Pépin, Senthil, Si, Zaanen, ...*

**Lifshitz transition/Topological transition:**

2D Kondo lattice model, band picture ...

*Assaad, Vojta, Watanabe, ...*

**Valence transition/Valence criticality:**

PAM with  $U_{fc}$ , band picture ...

*Miyake, Norman, Watanabe, ...*

**Quantum tricritical point:**

Self-consistent renormalization theory for spin fluctuations

*Imada, Misawa, Yamaji*

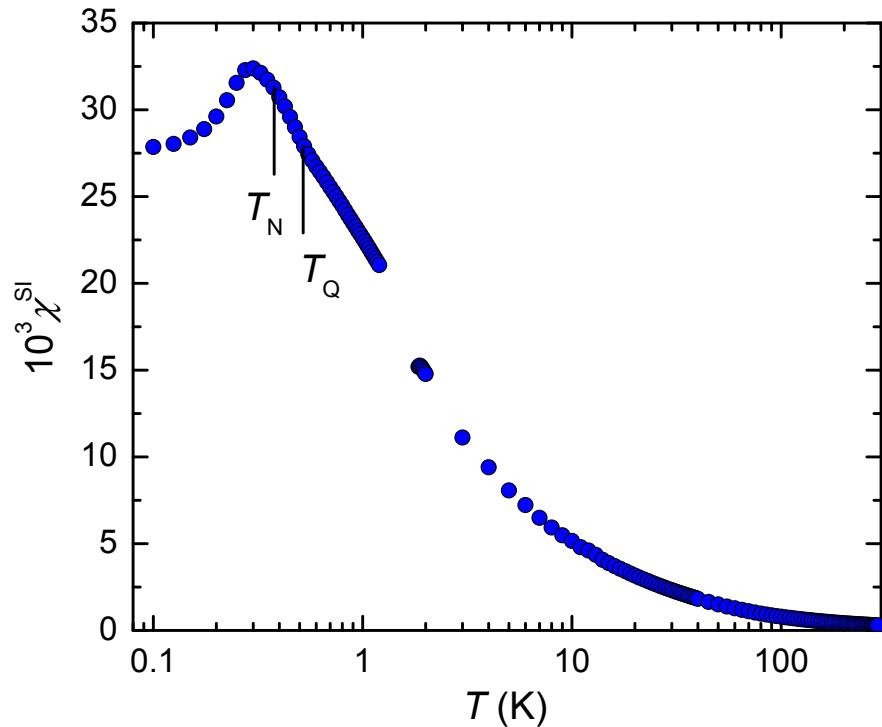
**Weak-field breakdown:**

Boltzmann transport theory

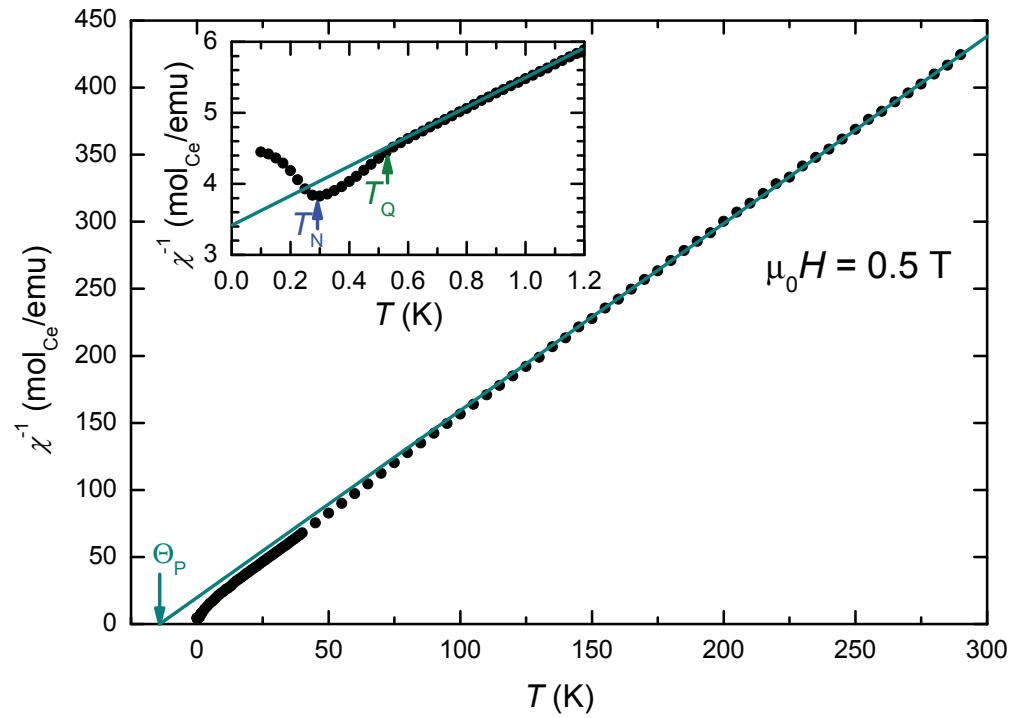
*Schofield*

# A new *cubic* material: Ce<sub>3</sub>Pd<sub>20</sub>Si<sub>6</sub>

## Magnetic susceptibility



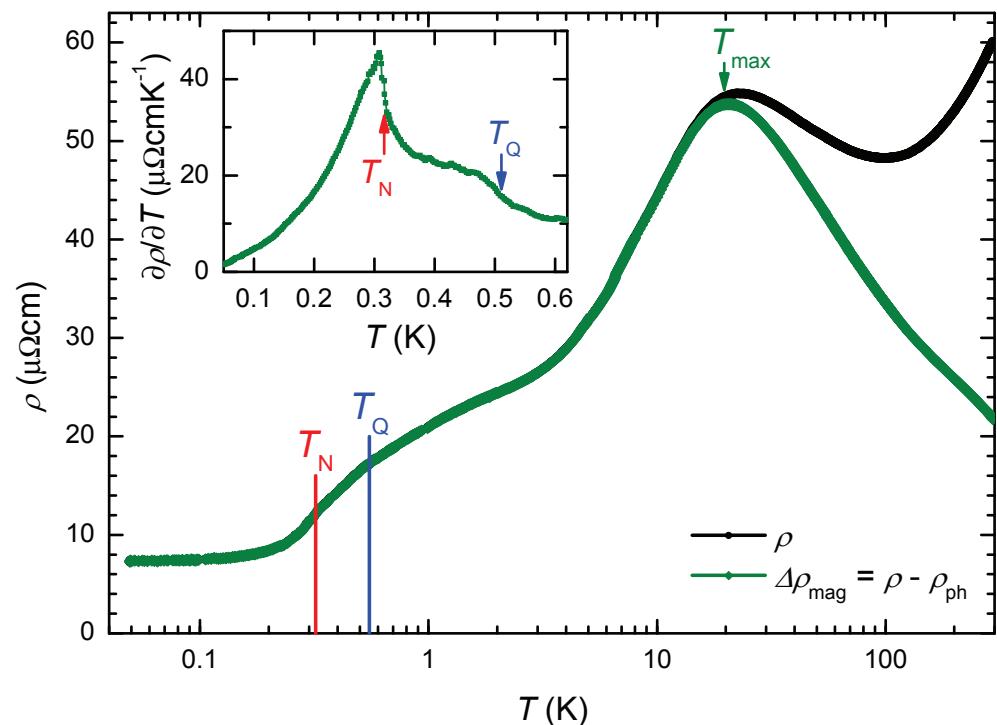
## Inverse susceptibility



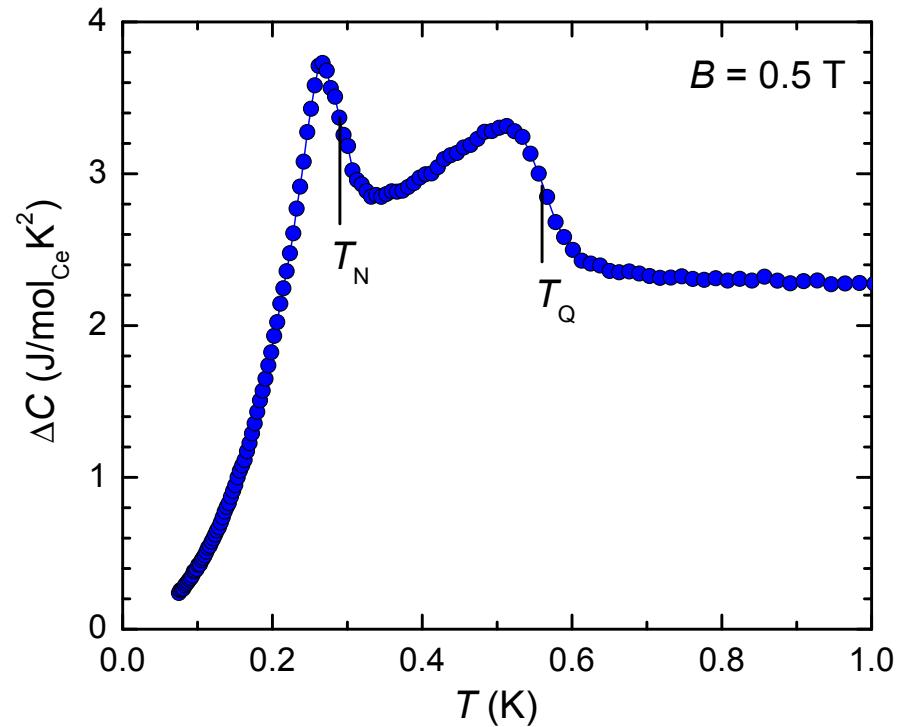
$$\chi_0 = 2.27 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ m}^3/\text{mol Ce}$$

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## Electrical resistivity



## Electronic specific heat



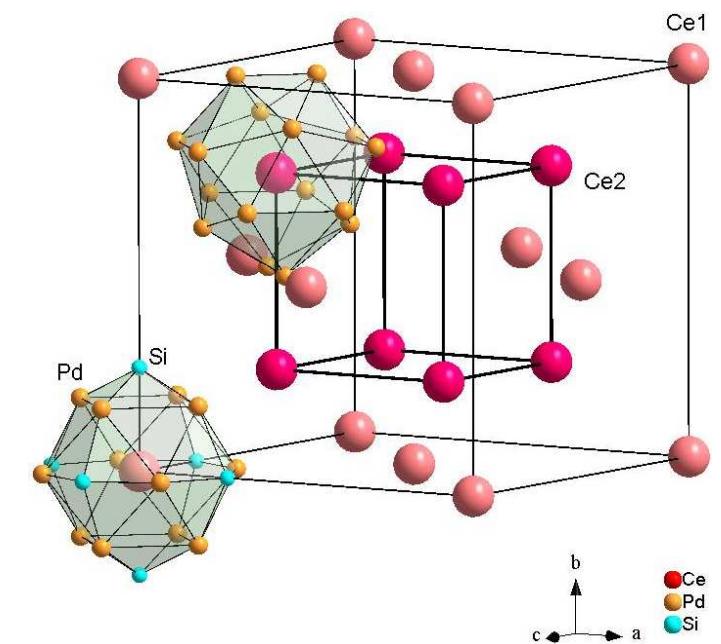
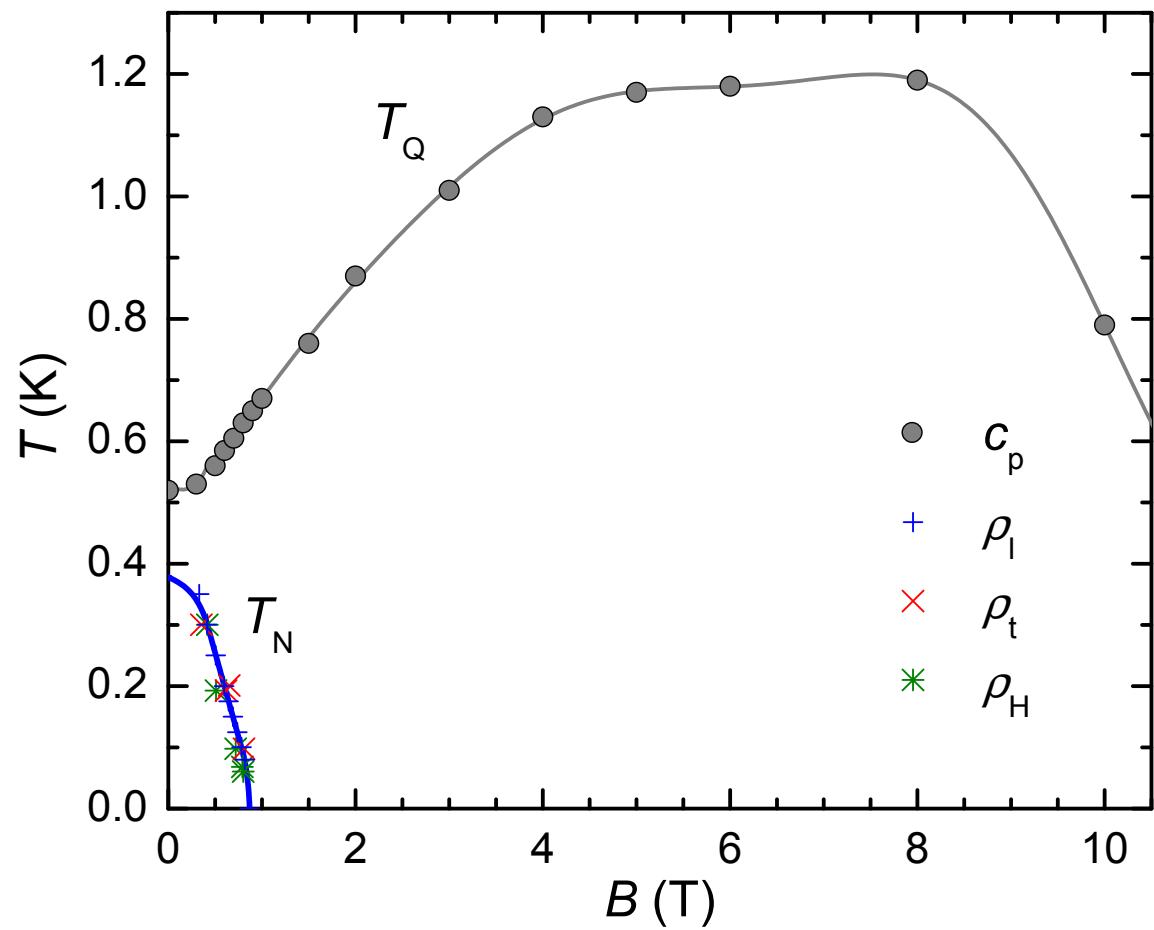
$$\rho = \rho_0 + AT^2, A = 14.9 \text{ } \mu\Omega\text{cm/K}^2$$

$$\Delta C/T = \gamma + DT^3, \gamma = 1.5 \text{ J/molK}^2$$

$$\text{KWR} = A/\gamma^2 = 6.7 \text{ } (\mu\Omega\text{cm}/\text{K}^2)/(\text{J/molK}^2)^2, \text{ SWR} = 1.9$$

# A new *cubic* material: Ce<sub>3</sub>Pd<sub>20</sub>Si<sub>6</sub>

Temperature-field phase diagram



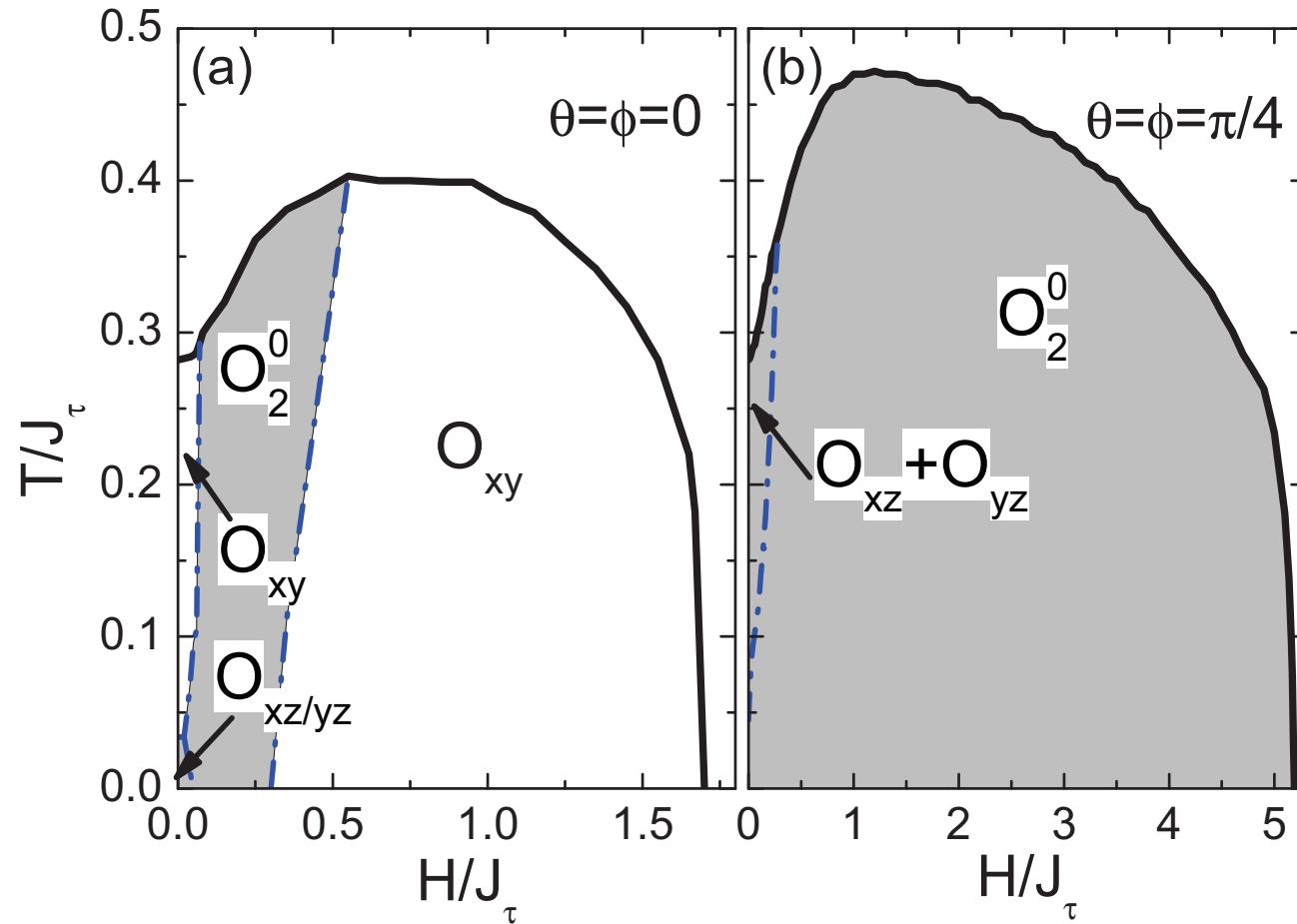
Cubic,  $Fm\bar{3}m$

Ce1: fcc, 4a

Ce2: sc, 8c

# Ordered phases in $\text{Ce}_3\text{Pd}_{20}\text{Si}_6$ : Below $T_Q$

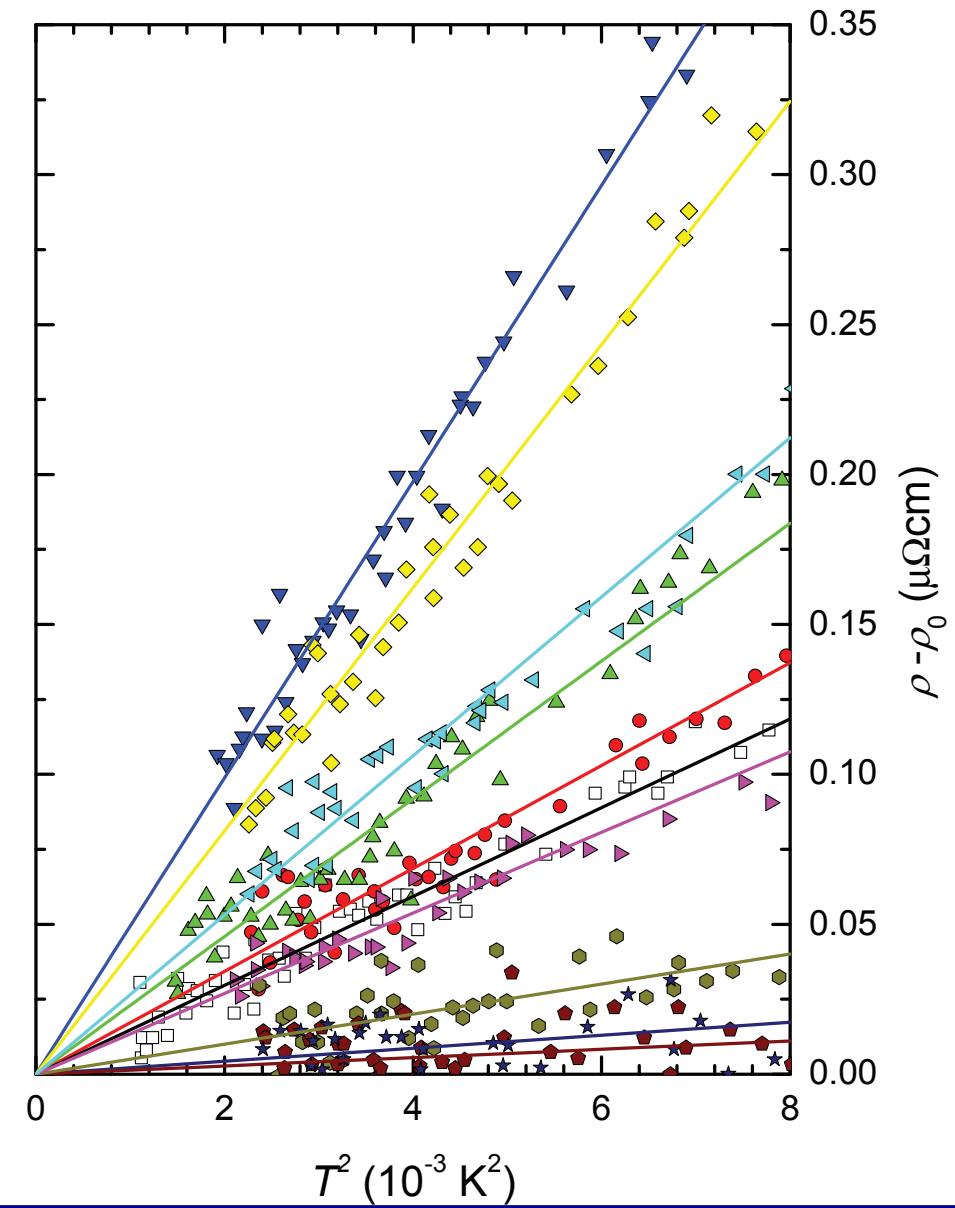
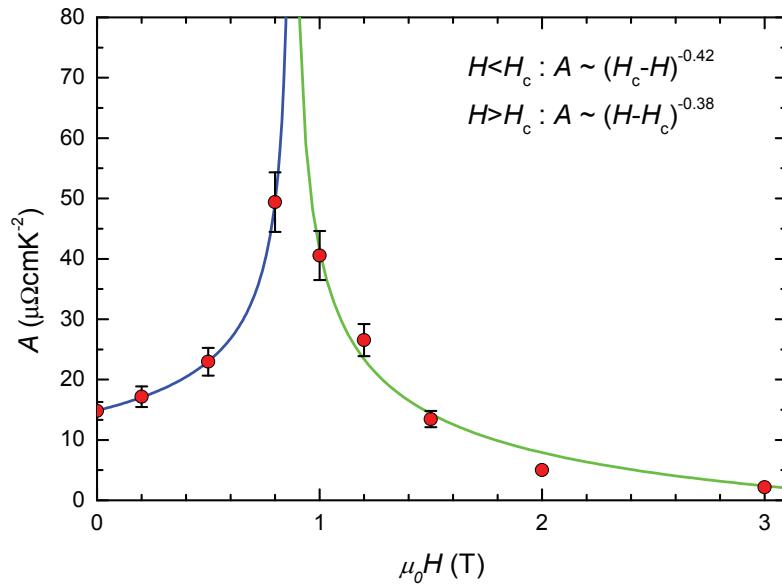
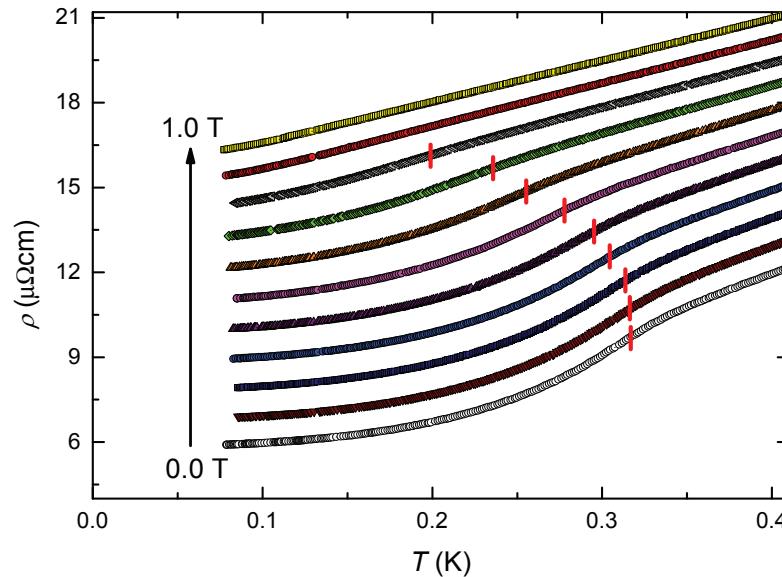
Mean field solution of effective pseudospin model ( $\Gamma_8$ , sc)



$J_\tau$ : quadrupole-quadrupole coupling strength

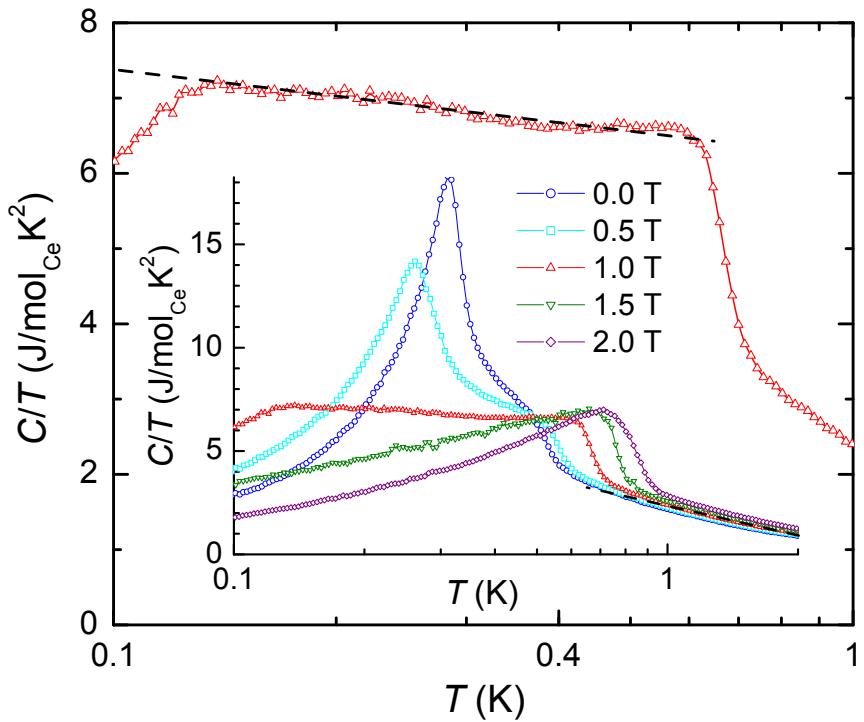
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# Landau Fermi liquid properties of Ce<sub>3</sub>Pd<sub>20</sub>Si<sub>6</sub>: $\rho(T, B)$



# Non-Fermi liquid properties of Ce<sub>3</sub>Pd<sub>20</sub>Si<sub>6</sub>

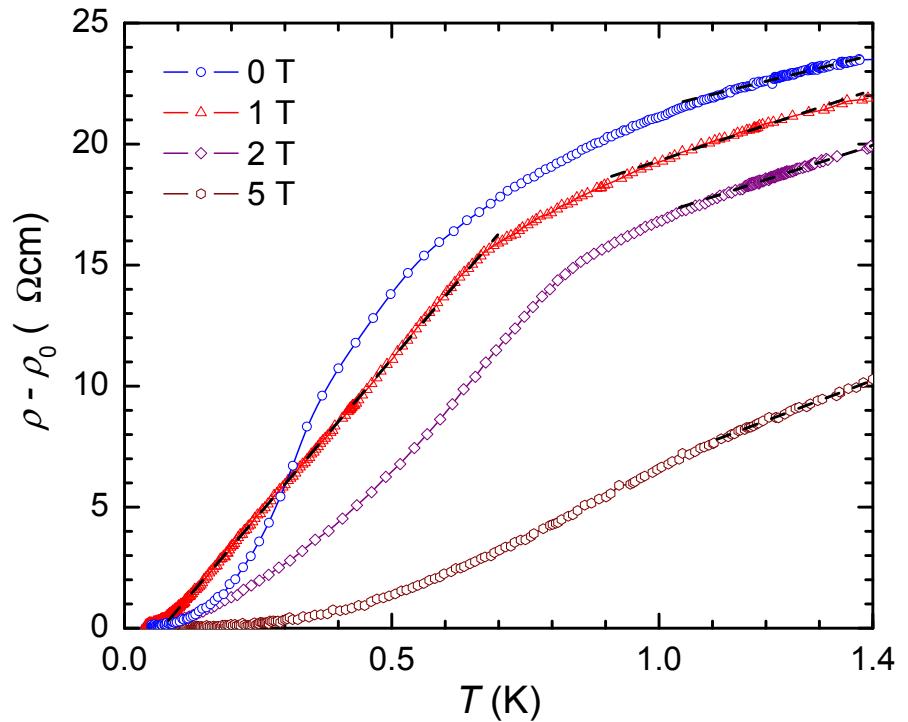
## Specific heat



$$\Delta C/T \propto -\ln T$$

SDW (AFM,  $d = 3$ ):  
 $\Delta C/T = \gamma - b\sqrt{T}$

## Electrical resistivity

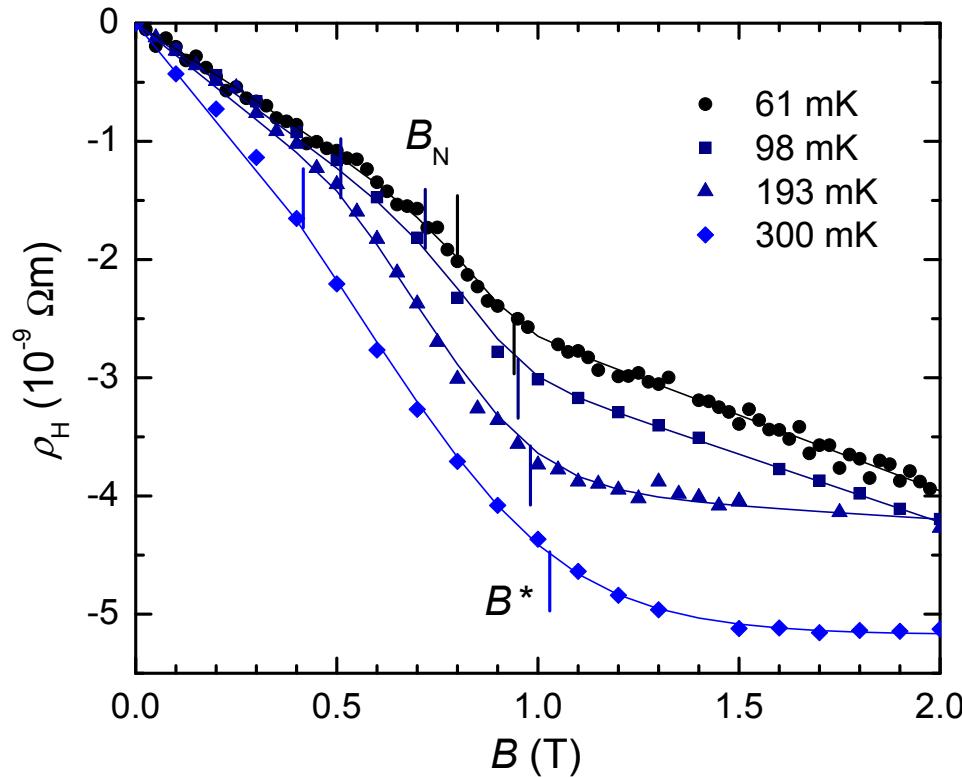


$$\Delta\rho \sim T$$

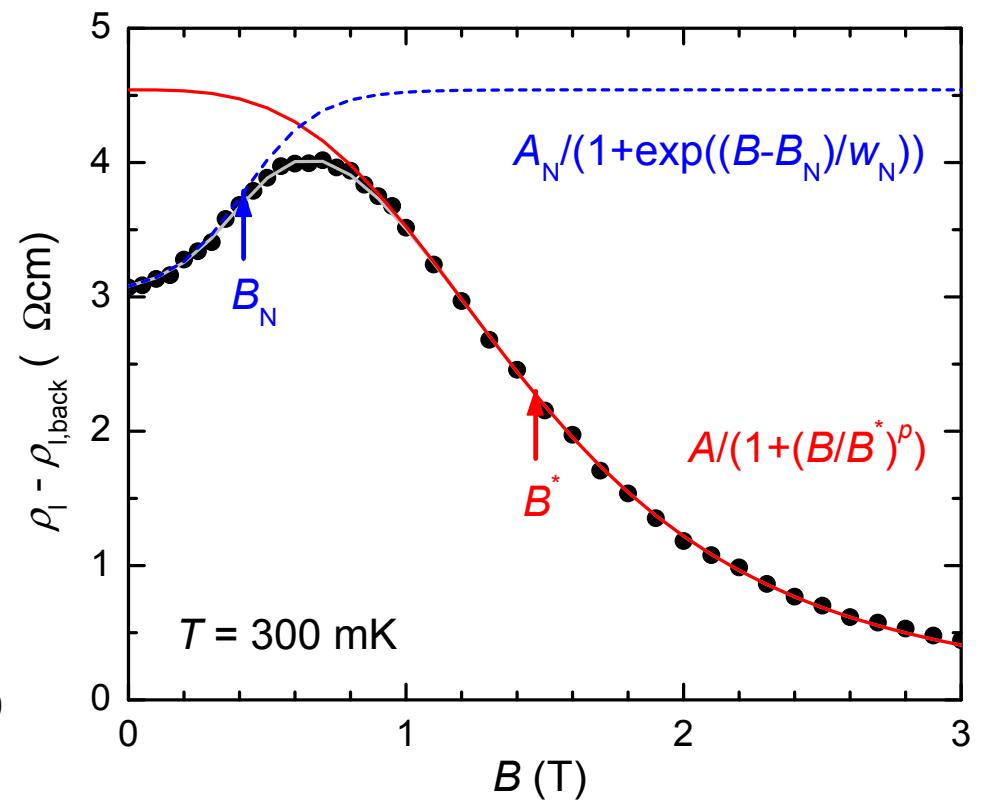
SDW (AFM,  $d = 3$ ):  $\Delta\rho \sim T^{3/2}$

## Isotherms crossing phase diagram

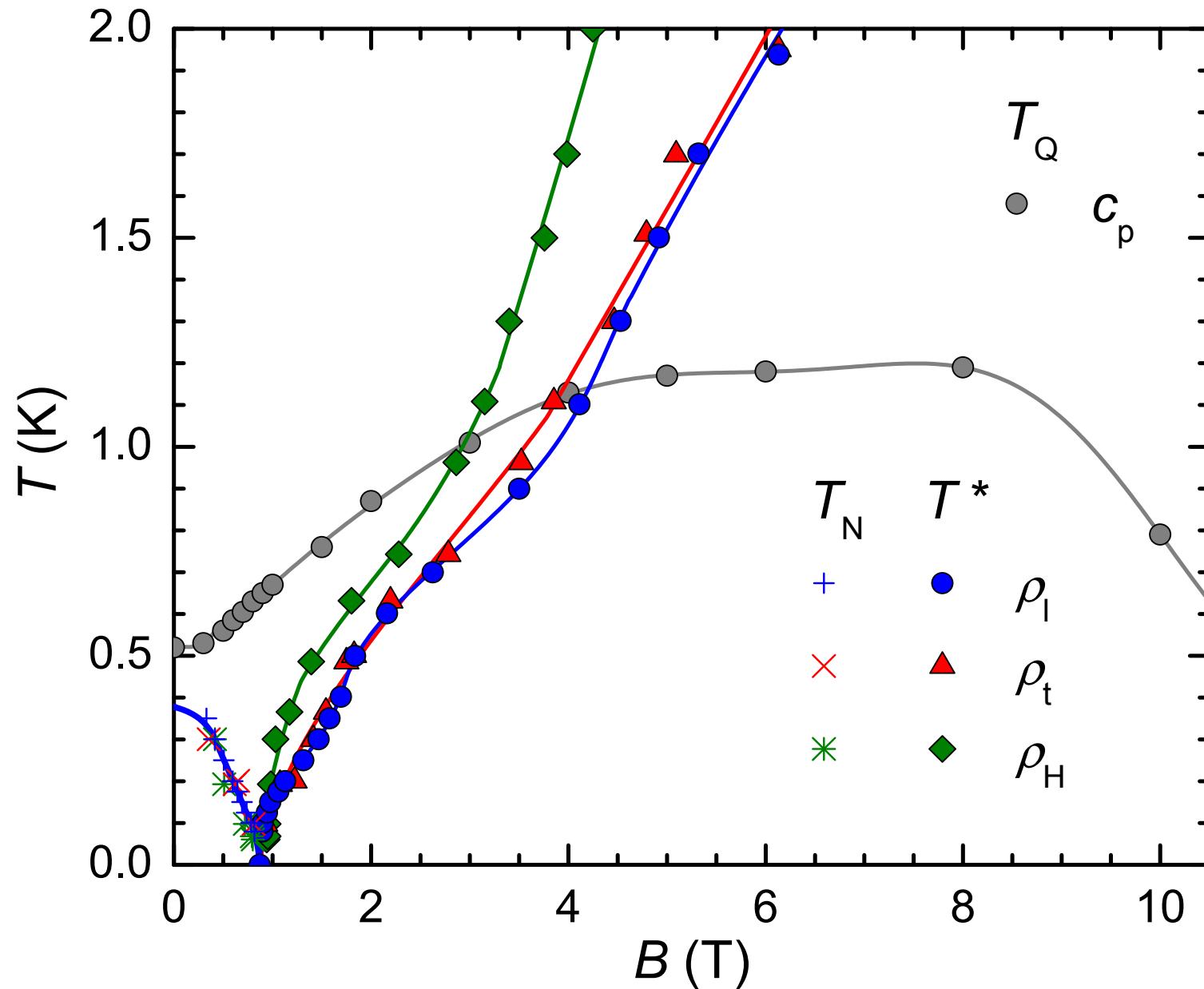
Hall effect



Magnetoresistance

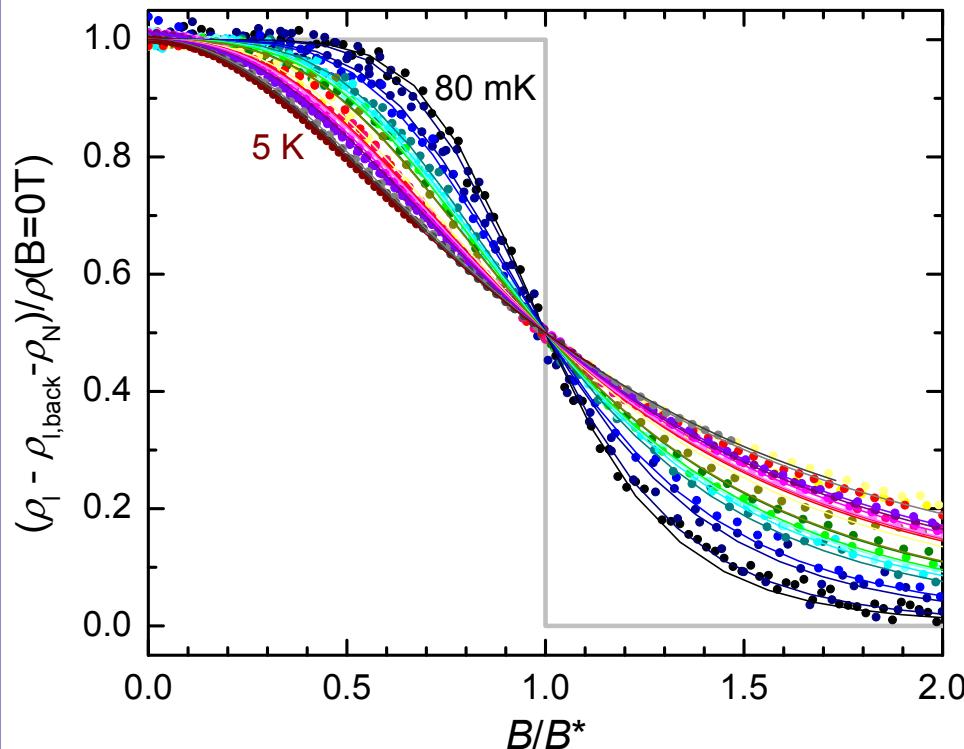


# Phase diagram of $\text{Ce}_3\text{Pd}_{20}\text{Si}_6$ with $T^*$ scale

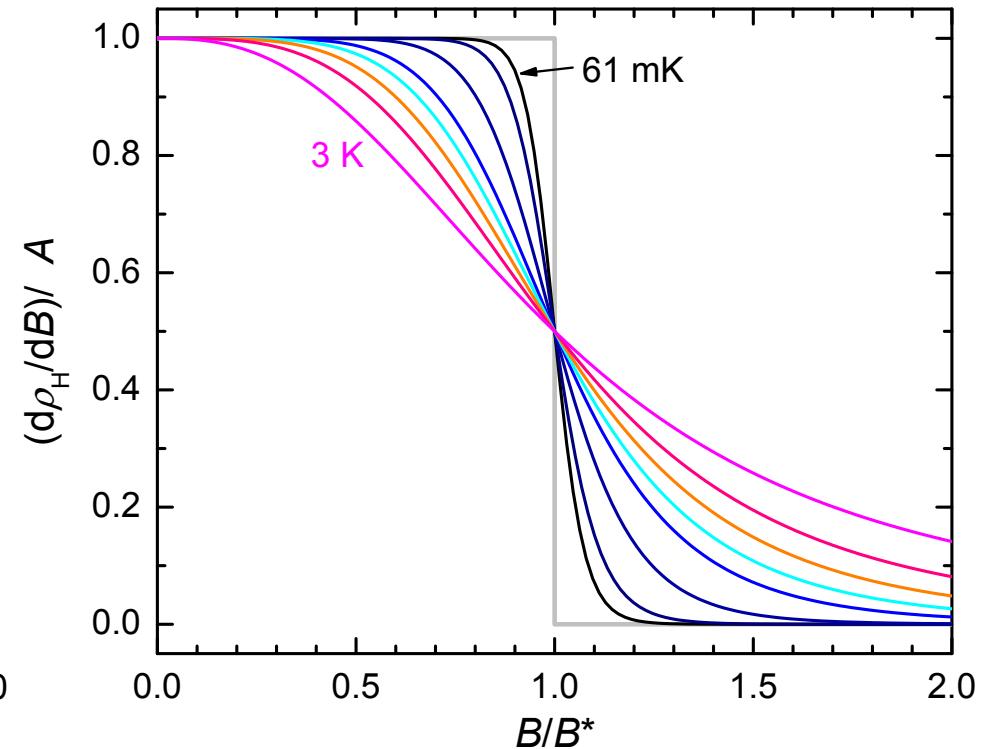


# Crossovers in magnetotransport of $\text{Ce}_3\text{Pd}_{20}\text{Si}_6$ at $B^*$

Longitudinal magnetoresistance

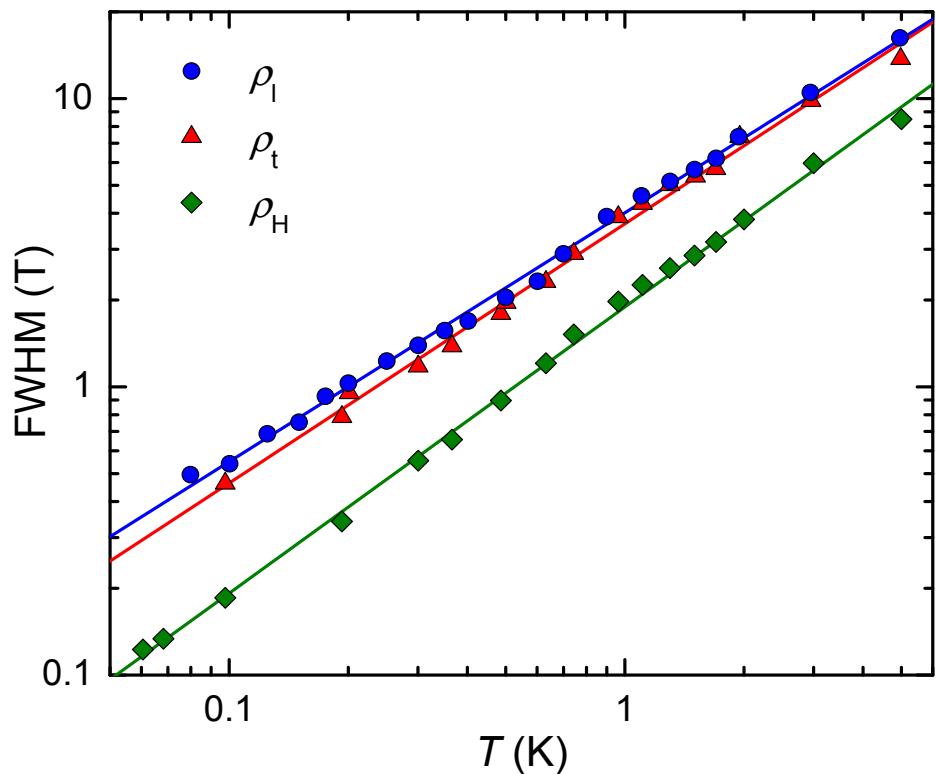


Differential Hall coefficient

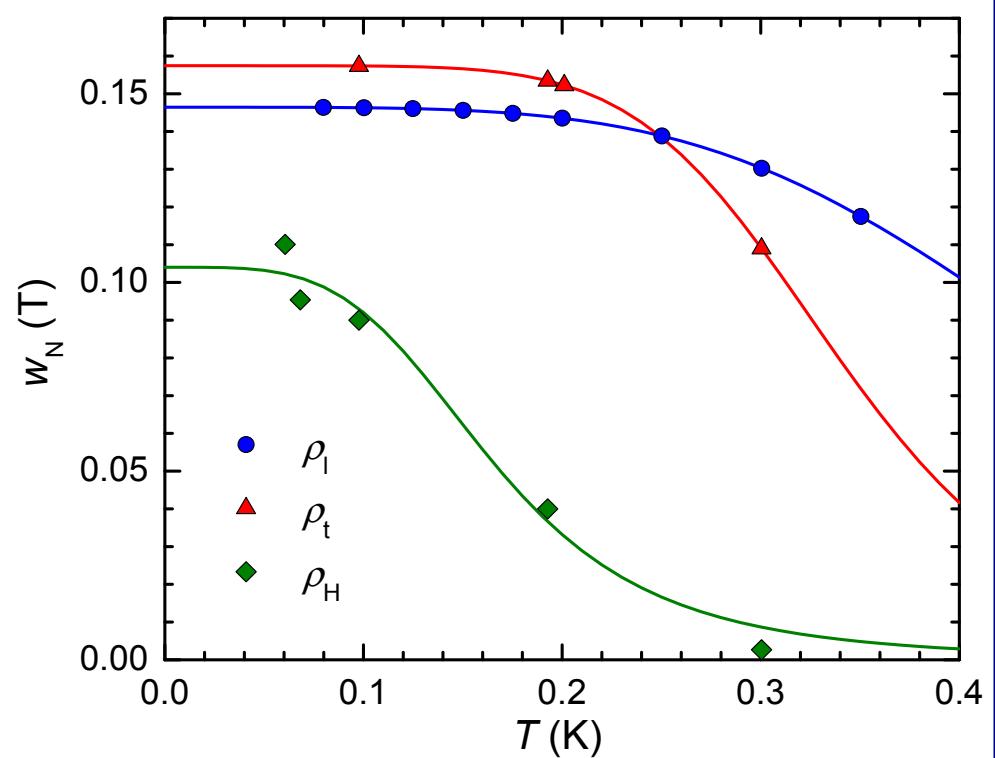


## Crossovers at $B^*$ vs transition at $B_N$

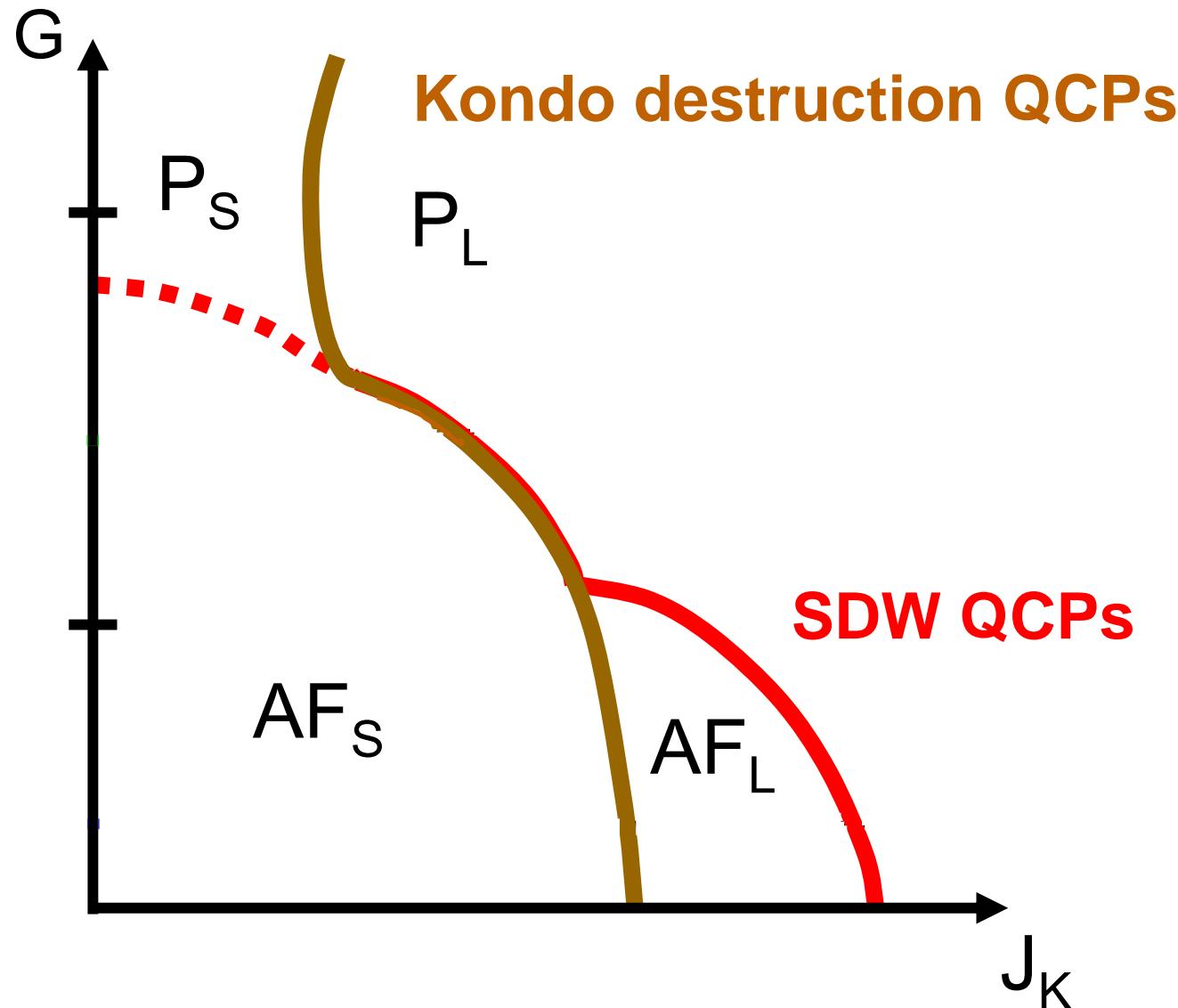
### Width of crossover at $B^*$



### Width of transition at $B_N$

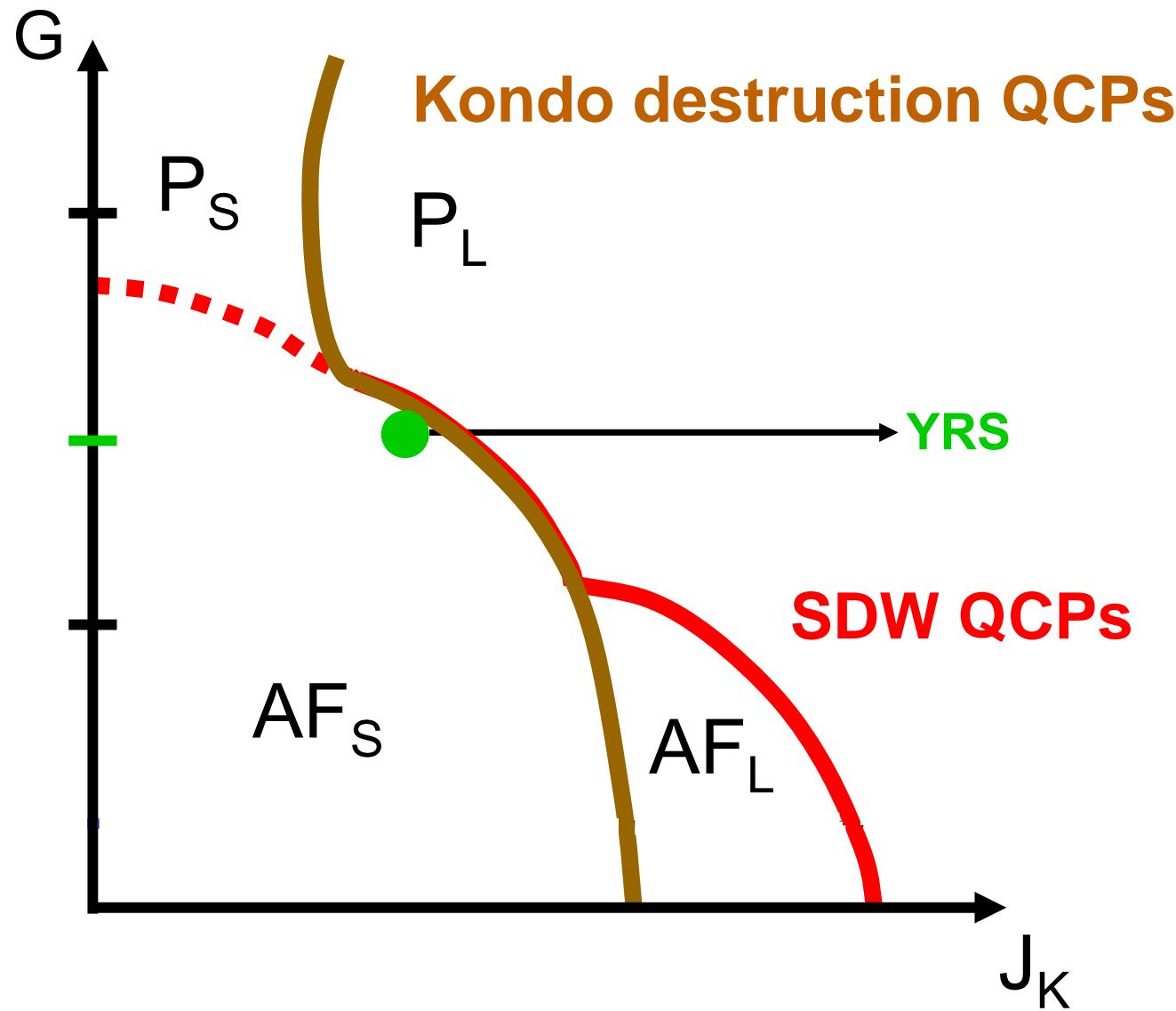


Suggested theoretical phase diagram at  $T = 0$



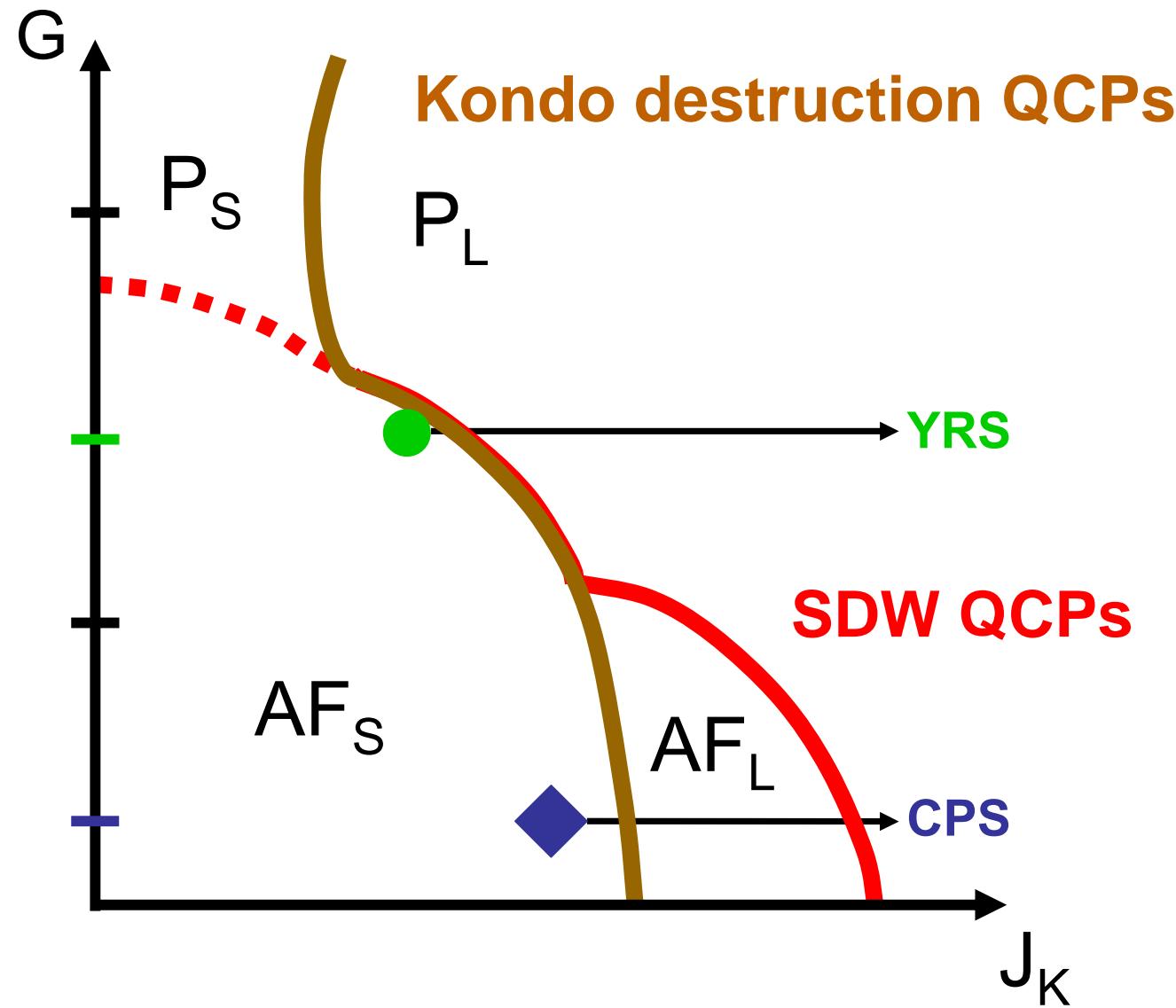
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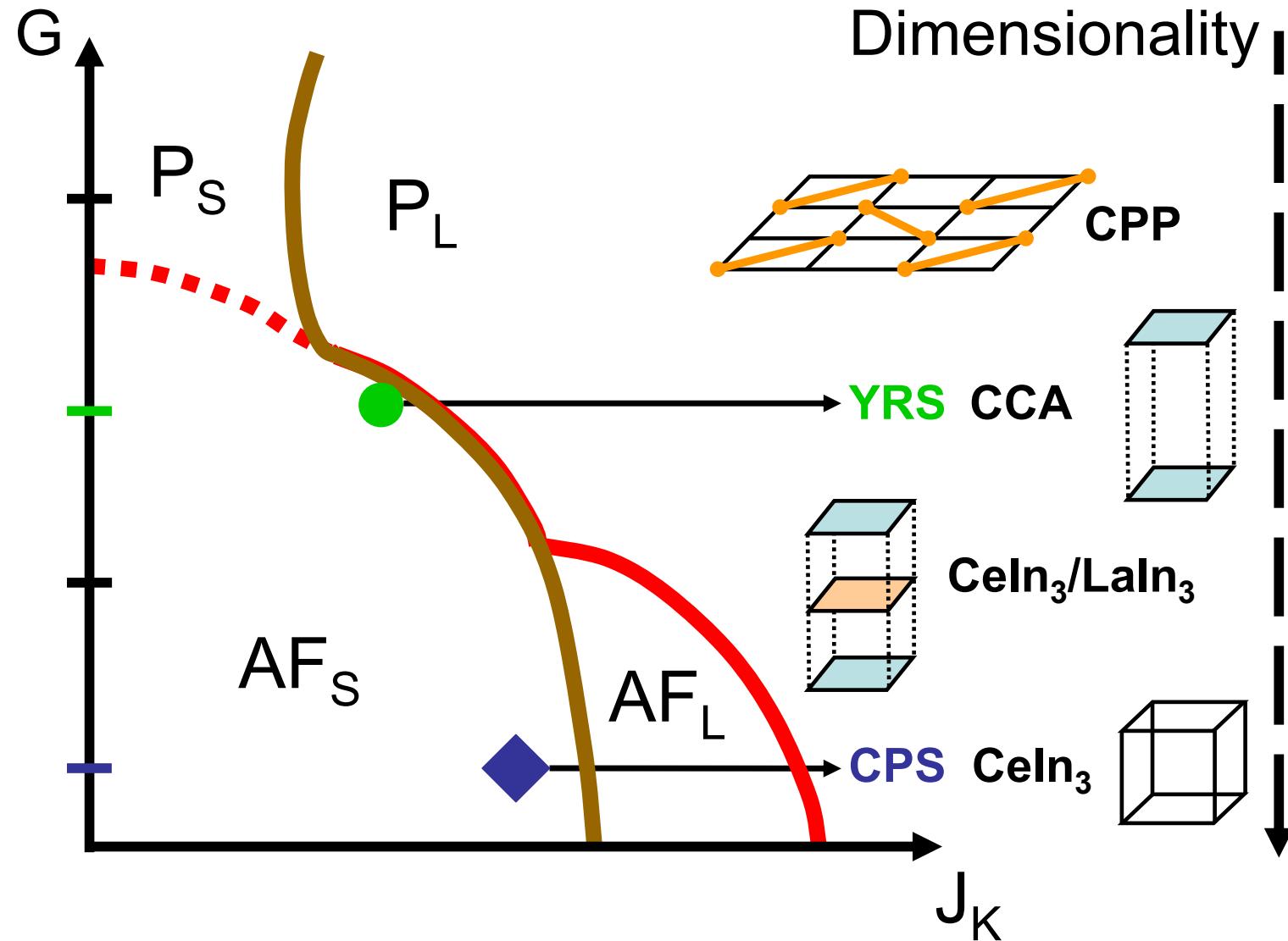
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# Materials-based global phase diagram



(Custers et al., Nature Mater. 11 (2012) 189)

## Summary & Outlook

- Ce<sub>3</sub>Pd<sub>20</sub>Si<sub>6</sub>: New *cubic* quantum critical heavy fermion compound
- Crossover in magnetotransport with similar characteristics as in YbRh<sub>2</sub>Si<sub>2</sub>, at  $T \rightarrow 0$ :
  - Crossover position coincides with  $B_c$
  - Crossover width extrapolates to zero
- Important difference: QCP within other ordered phase!
  - Nature of this phase?
  - Nature of transition leaving this phase?
  - Can in Kondo breakdown scenario be related to higher dimensionality (lower  $G$ )
  - Other theoretical scenarios?
  - Extensions of theories to 3D?