

# Electronic Structure investigations in Yb-based heavy fermion materials

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# Outline

- 1 Kondo breakdown in  $\text{YbRh}_2\text{Si}_2$
- 2 1D Electronic Structure of  $\text{YbNi}_4\text{P}_2$
- 3 Summary



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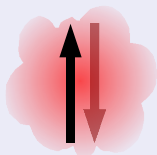
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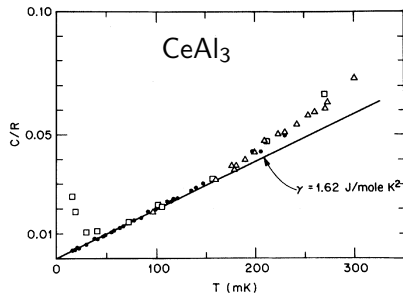
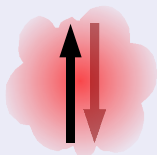
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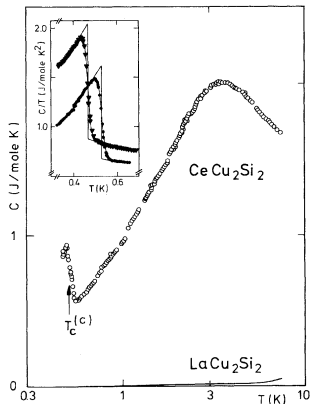
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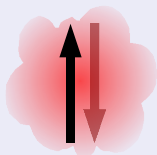
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## UPt<sub>3</sub>

Branch: <i>FS</i> orbit	<i>F</i> (MG)		<i>m</i> <sup>*</sup> / <i>m</i> <sub>e</sub>	
	Expt.	Calc.	Expt.	Calc.
<i>a</i> axis (Γ <i>K</i> )				
<i>α:ML4</i>	5.4(3)	10.4	25(3)	2.2
<i>β:L4</i>	6.0(4)	5.2	···	1.0
<i>γ:Γ1</i>	7.3(3)	8.2	40(7)	2.0
<i>δ:A5</i>	14.0(3)	9.1	50(8)	1.9
<i>ε:Γ2</i>	21.0(3)	24.0	60(8)	4.6
<i>ω:Γ3</i>	58.5(5)	52.8	90(15)	5.3

Taillefer, L et al., PRL **60** 1570 (1988).



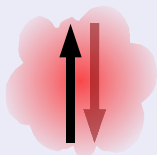
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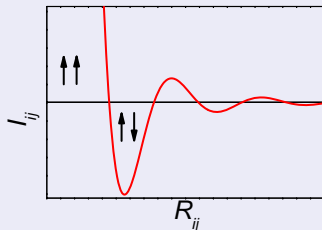
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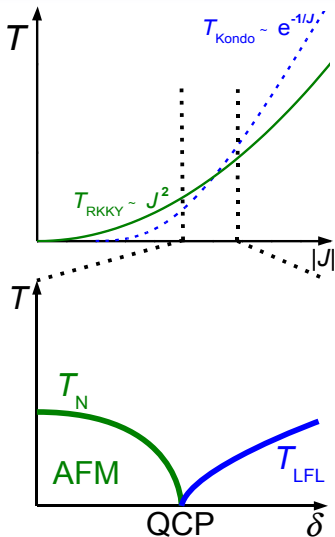
## RKKY Interaction

- $H_{\text{RKKY}} \propto -I_{ij}\vec{S}_i\vec{S}_j$
- magnetically ordered





# Quantum Critical Point



Exchange interaction  $J$  between conduction and  $f$ -electrons

weak  $J$  RKKY dominates:  
**AFM** ground state

crit.  $J_c$  continuous phase transition at  $T = 0$ : **QCP**

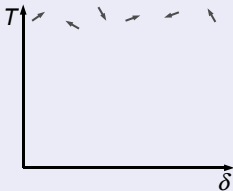
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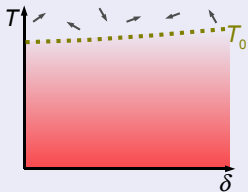
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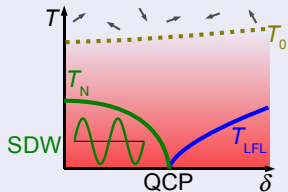
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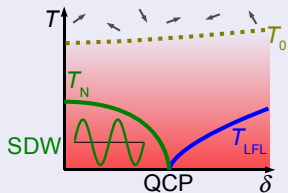
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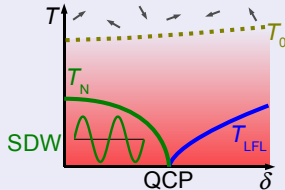


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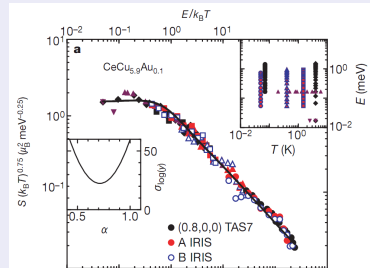
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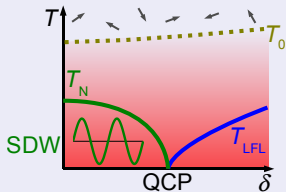
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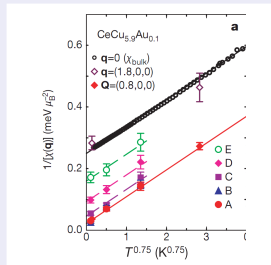
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- local effect

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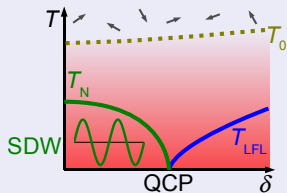
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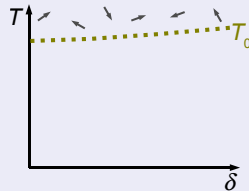
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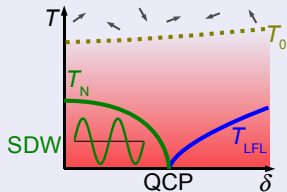
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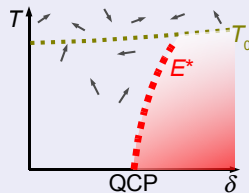
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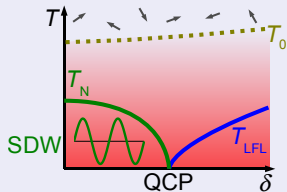
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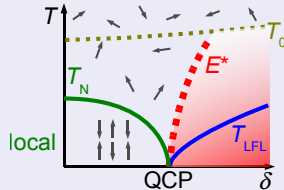
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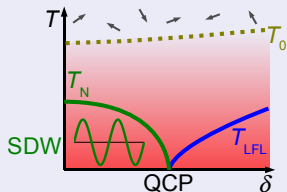
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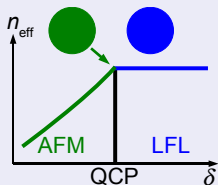
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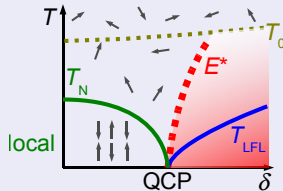
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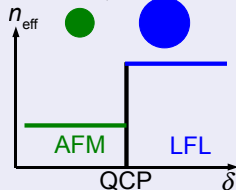
- Fermi Surface: continuous

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- reconstruction of Fermi surface

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# Fermi Surface and dynamical scaling

## Fermi Surface

- **PhotoElectron Spectroscopy**
- **de Haas-van Alphen** effect
- Hall effect

## Dynamical Scaling

- **Inelastic Neutron Scattering**
- optical spectroscopy
- PES
- ...



# YbRh<sub>2</sub>Si<sub>2</sub>

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structure tetragonal

CEF effective  $S = 1/2$  ground state

$$T_0 \approx 25 \text{ K}$$

AFM  $T_N = 70 \text{ mK}$

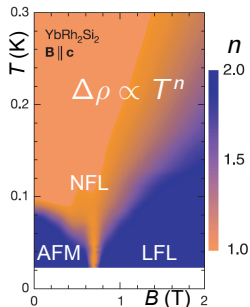
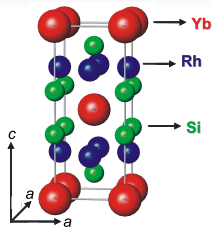
QCP field induced at

$$B_{c2} = 60 \text{ mT for } B \perp c$$

$$B_{c1} = 0.66 \text{ T for } B \parallel c$$

NFL non-Fermi liquid above the QCP

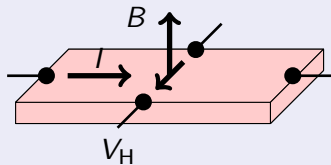
$$\text{e.g. } \rho \propto T$$



Custers et al., Nature **424**, 524 (2003).



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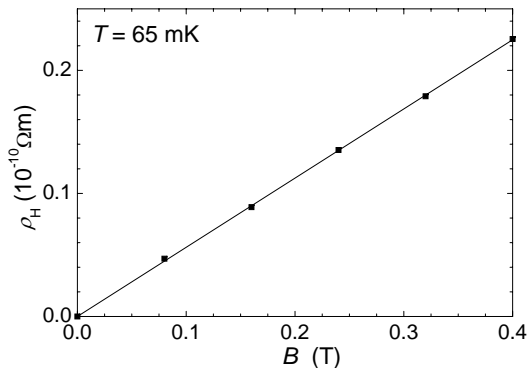


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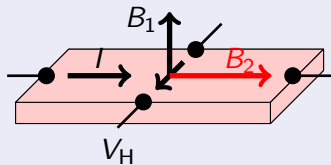


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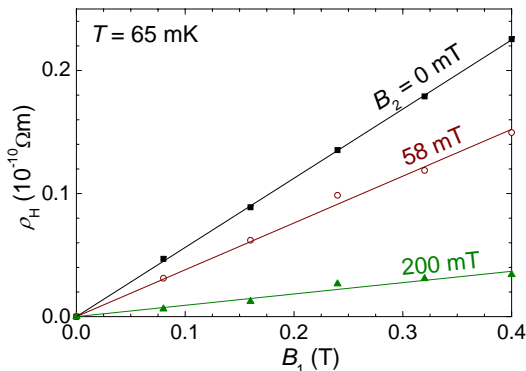


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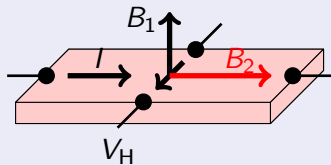


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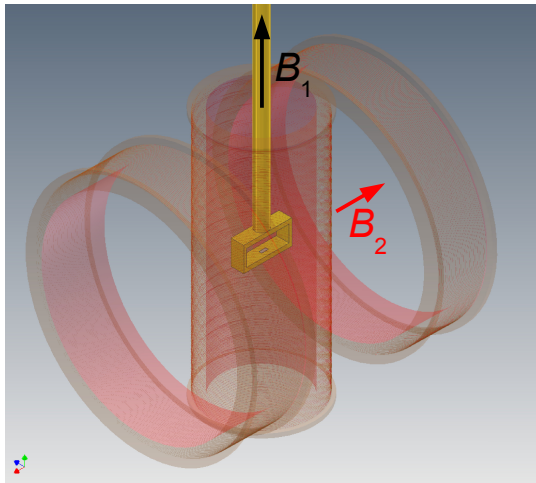


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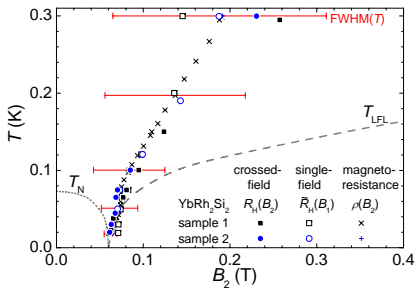
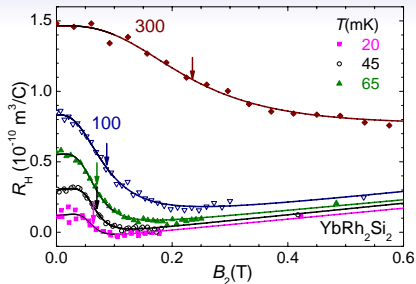
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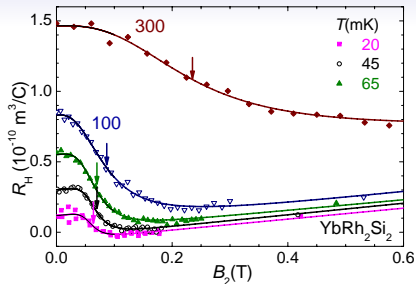
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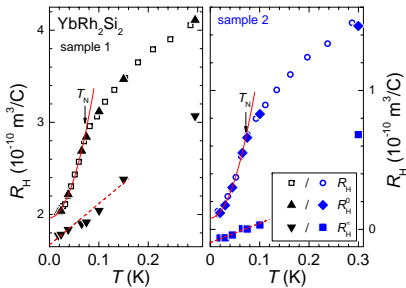
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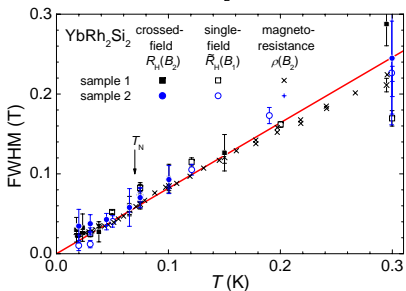
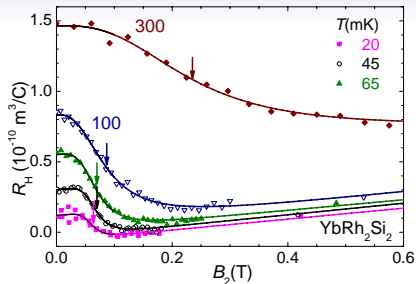


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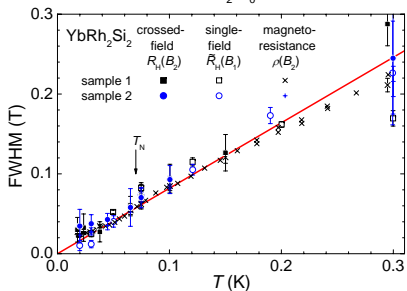
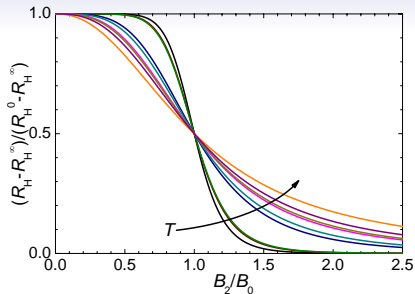
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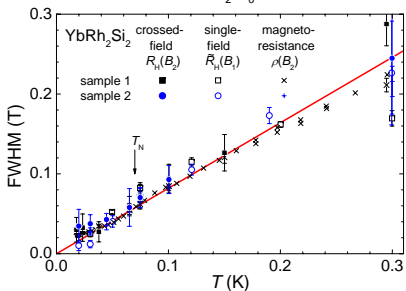
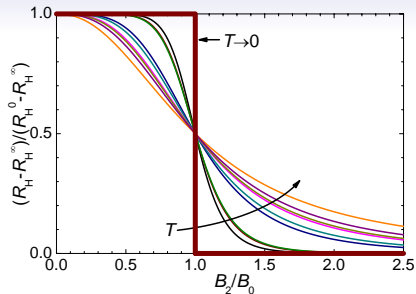
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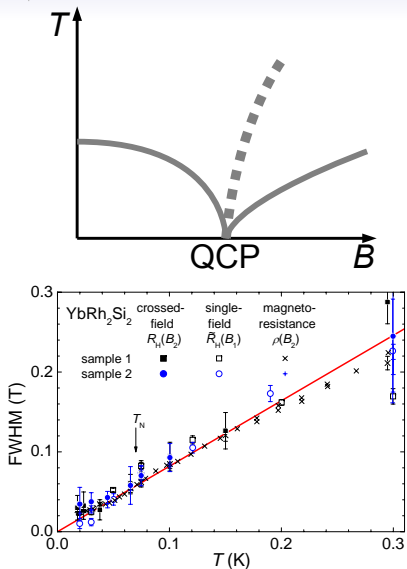
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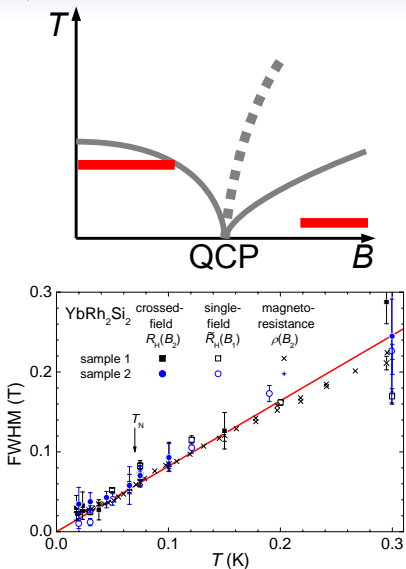
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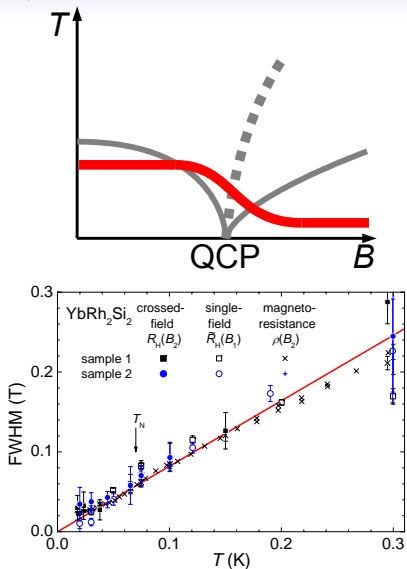
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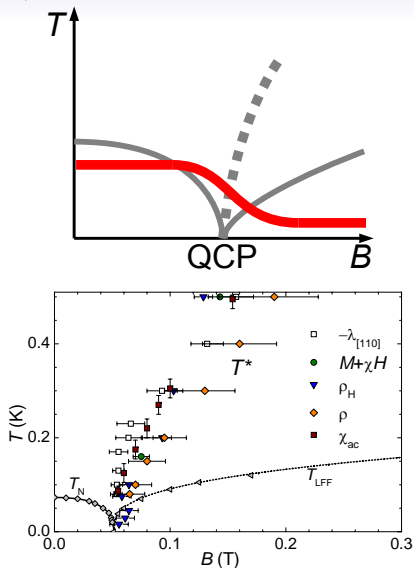


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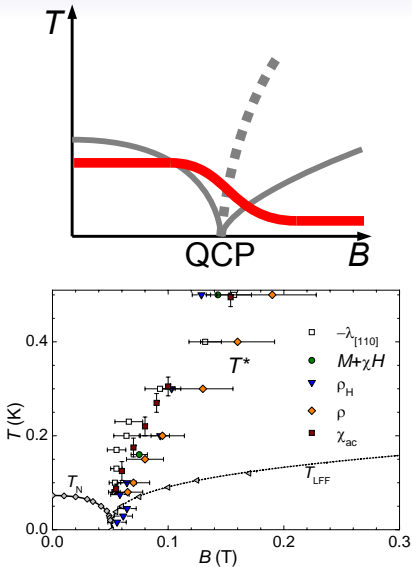


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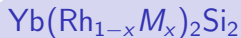
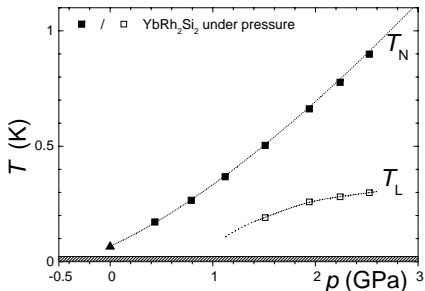
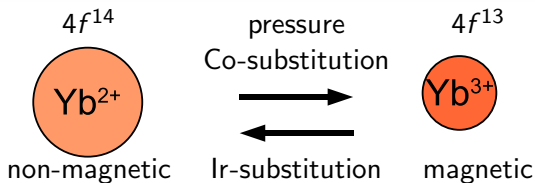


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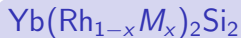
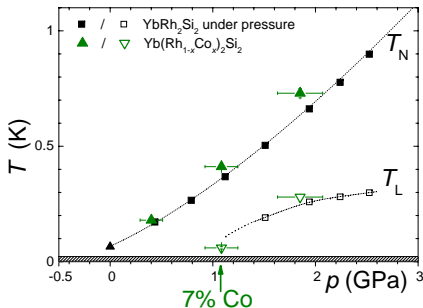
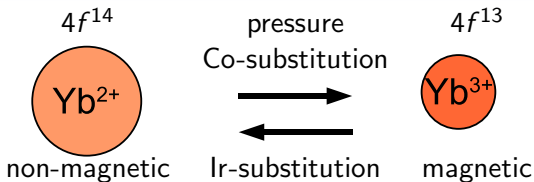
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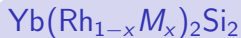
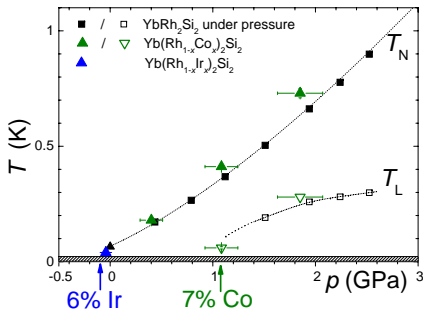
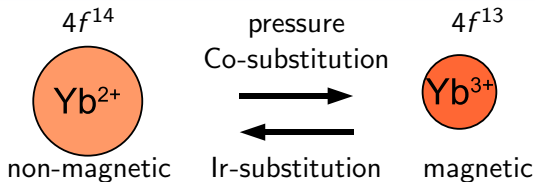
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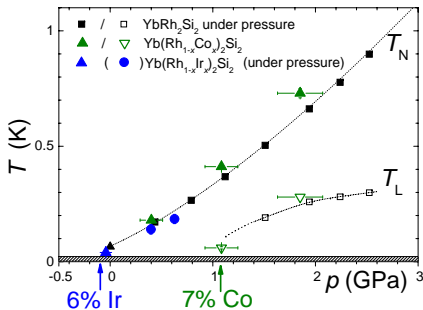
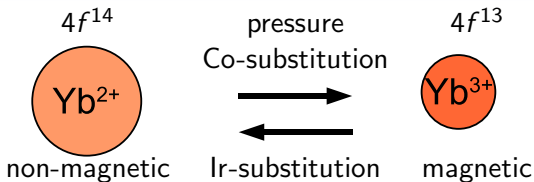
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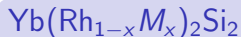
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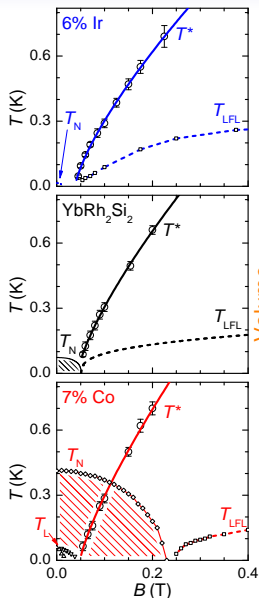


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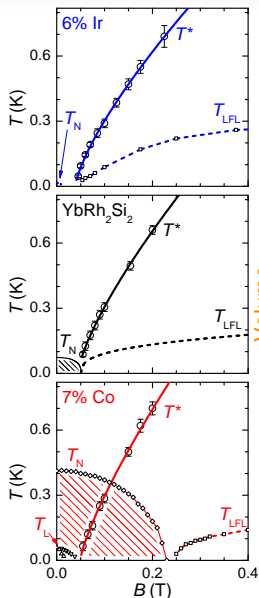


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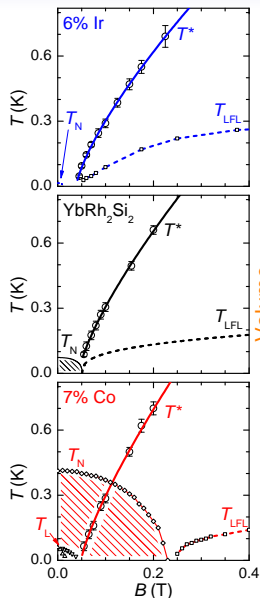
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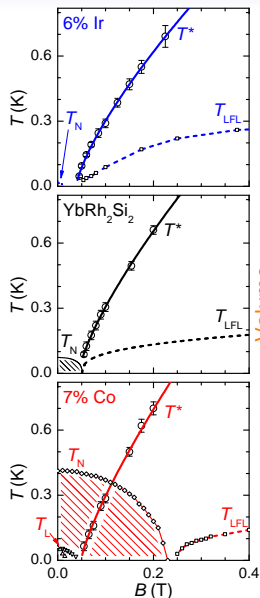
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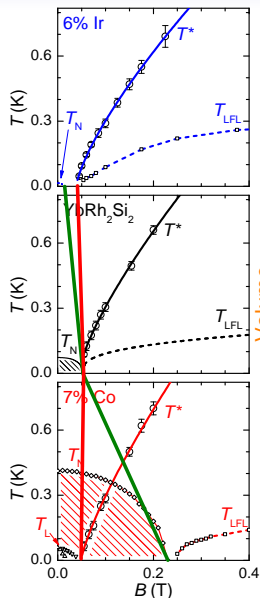
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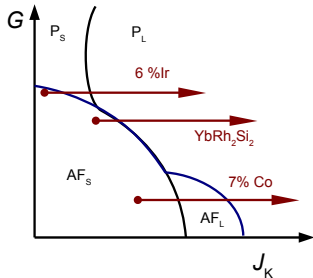
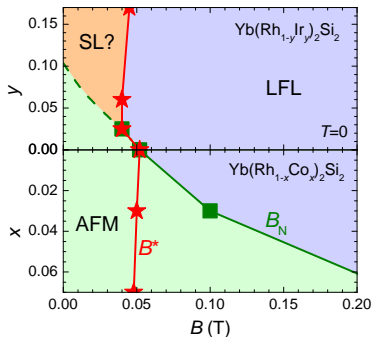
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# Global Phase Diagram



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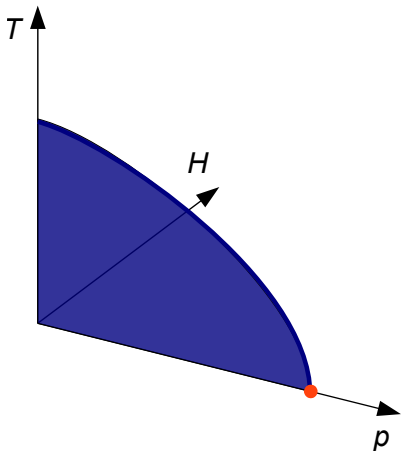


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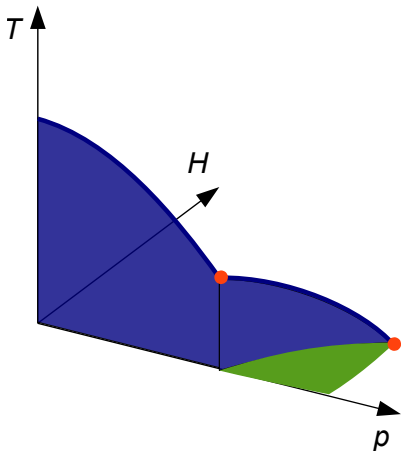
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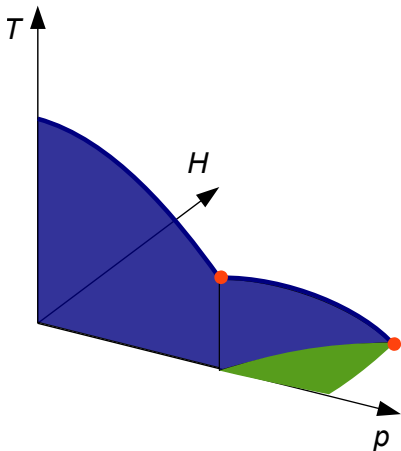
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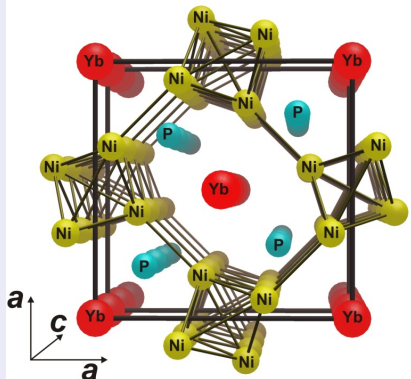
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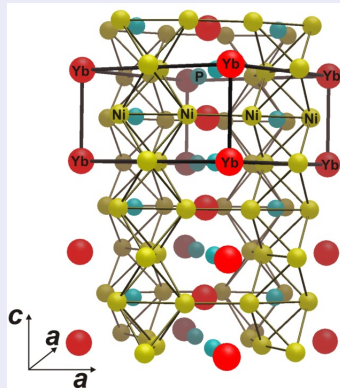


# YbNi<sub>4</sub>P<sub>2</sub>

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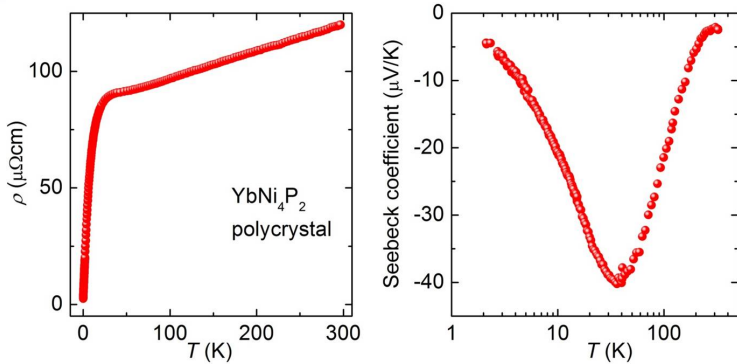


- ZrFe<sub>4</sub>Si<sub>2</sub> structure type  
P4<sub>2</sub>/mnm

- isolated Yb chains along c-direction



# YbNi<sub>4</sub>P<sub>2</sub> – Kondo lattice



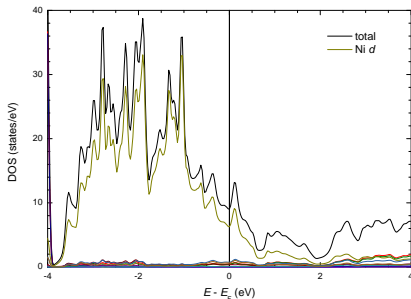
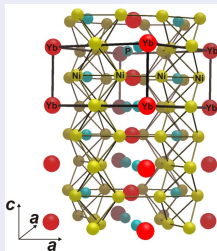
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- Kondo coherence in resistivity below 30 K
- Large Thermopower peak around 30 K
- Kondo lattice with strong correlations
- Kondo temperature  $T_K \approx 8$  K (from entropy)



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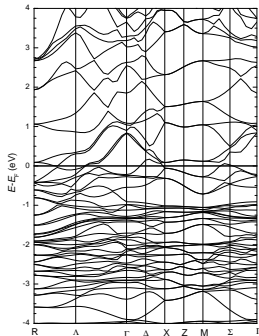
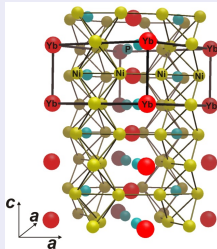


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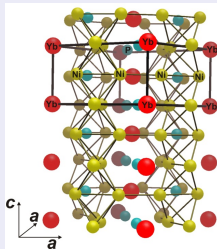


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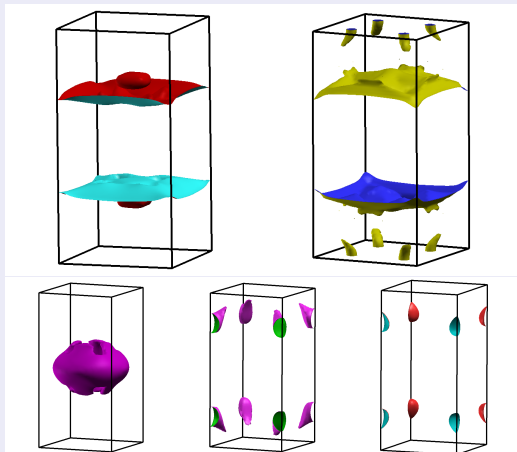


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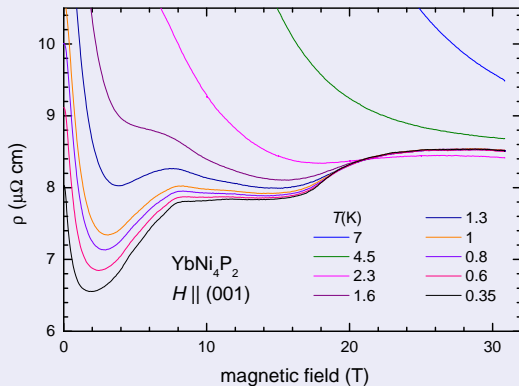
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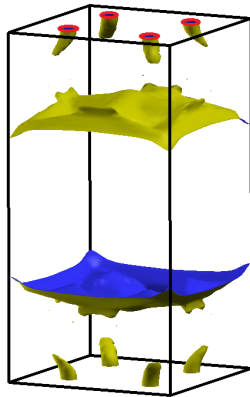
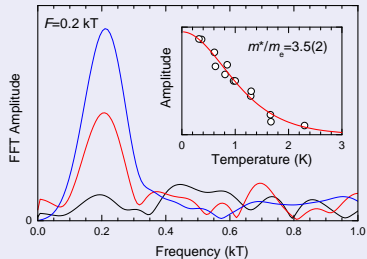
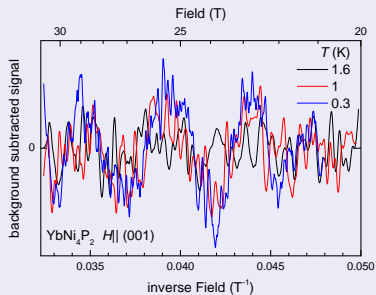
# YbNi<sub>4</sub>P<sub>2</sub> – Magnetoresistance



- pronounced plateaus
- steps at 6 T and 18 T
- possibly Lifshitz transitions



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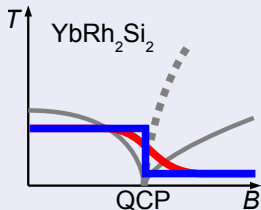


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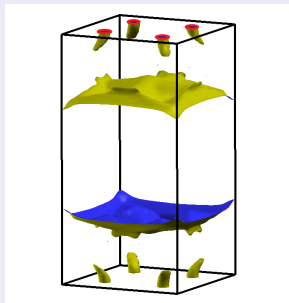
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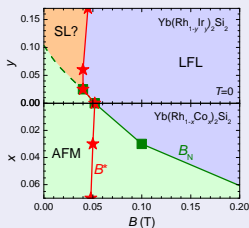


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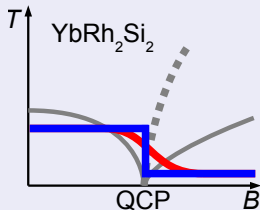


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