

Quantum oscillations & topology

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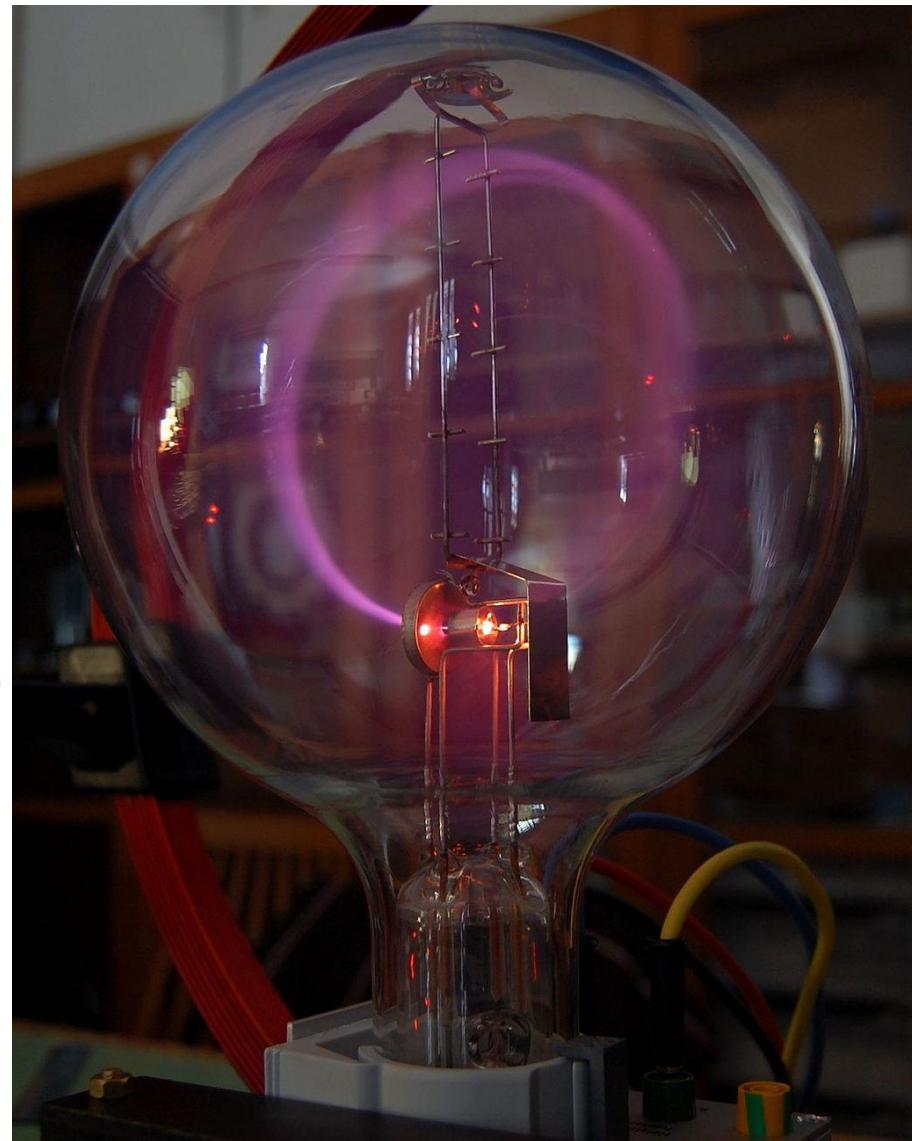
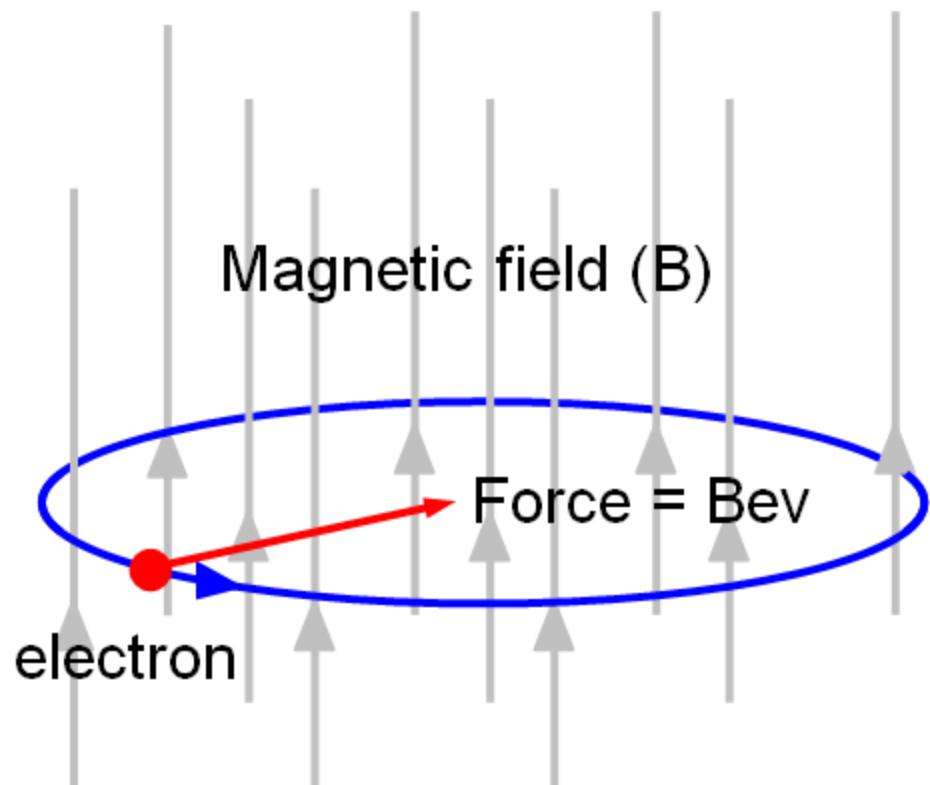
**Topological
semi-metals**



Key points:

- Quantum treatment of electrons in a magnetic field
- Phases in magnetic fields
- Landau levels in 3D are one-dimensional modes along the field

Framework: Electrons in a magnetic field



Classical Electrons in a magnetic field

Classical warmup:

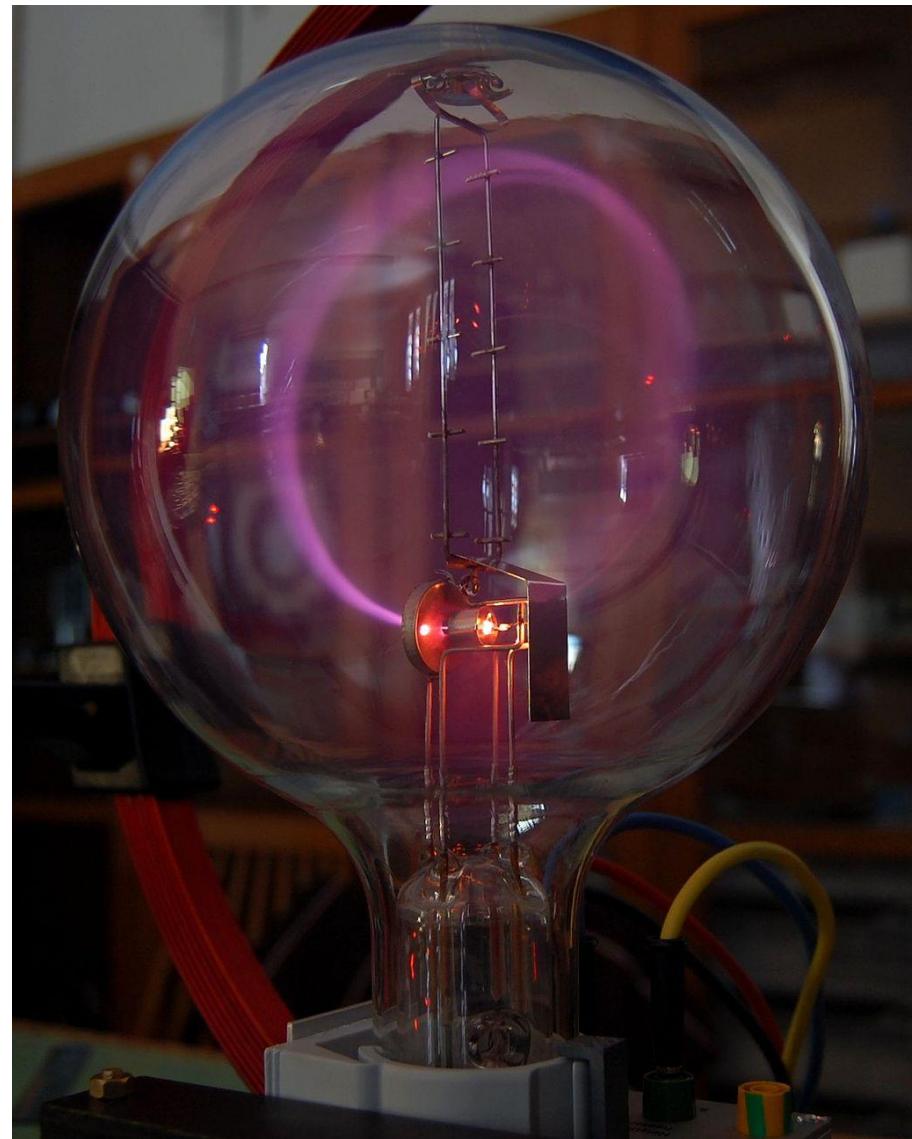
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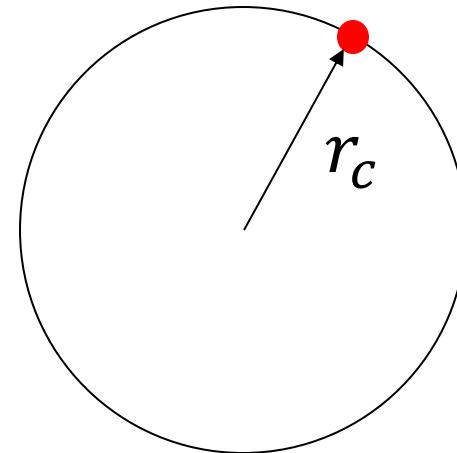
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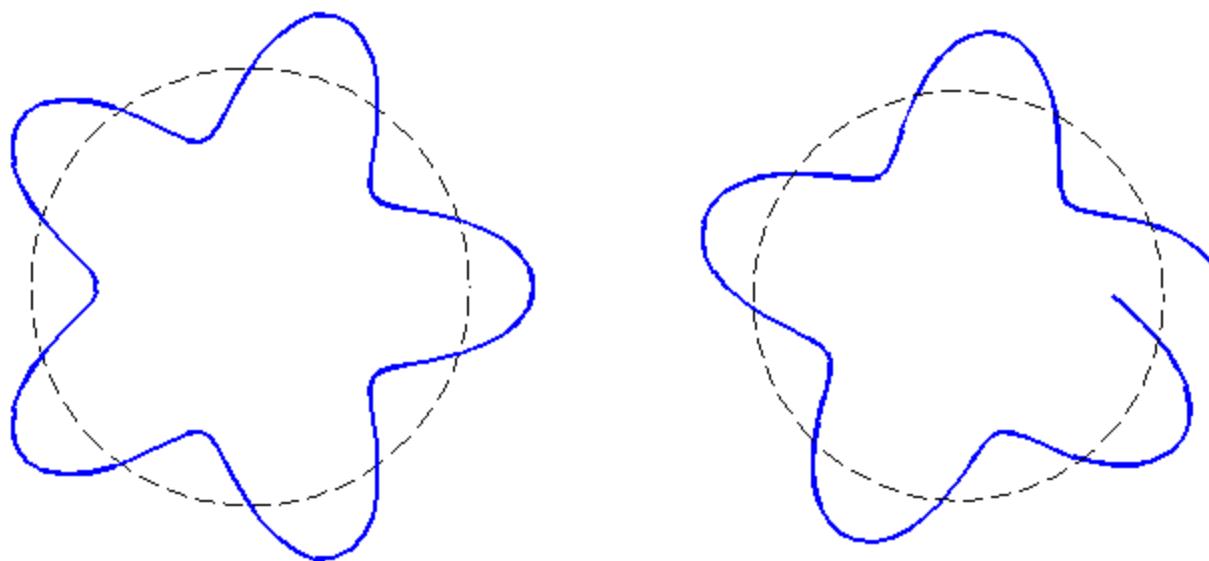
Distance / speed = time

$$\frac{2\pi r_c}{v} = T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega_c}$$

$$r_c = \frac{mv}{eB}$$

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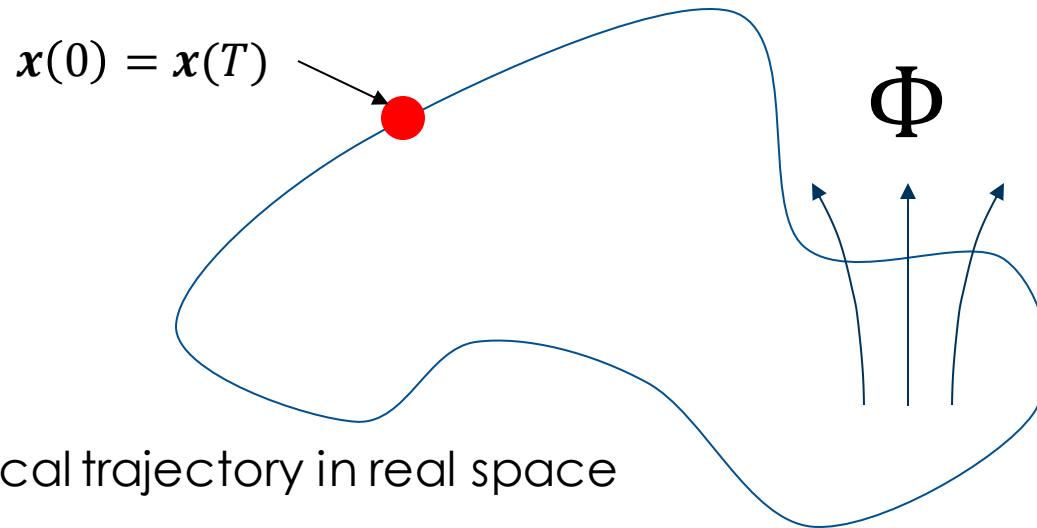
Quantum description



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Single-valuedness of quantum wavefunction allows only discrete set of orbits

Quantum Electrons in a magnetic field

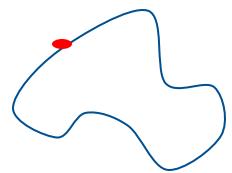


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$$\frac{e}{\hbar} \oint A \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \frac{e}{h} \int B \, dr^2 = \frac{e}{h} \Phi \text{ Magnetic flux through loop}$$

$$\Phi_0 = \frac{h}{e} \sim 2 \cdot 10^{-15} \text{Tm}^2$$

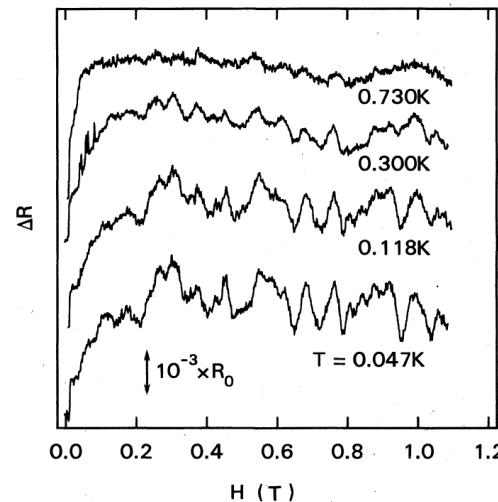
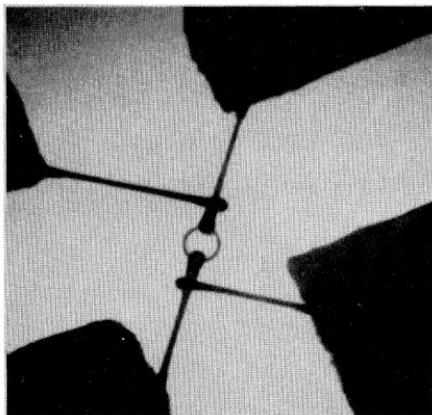
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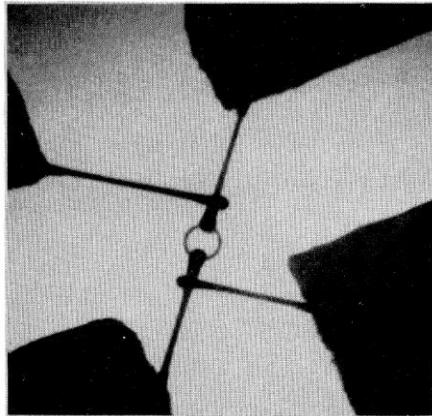
Oscillations periodic in field

Y. Aharonov, D. Bohm. Phys. Rev. 115, 485-491 (1961)
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Two facets of the same physics

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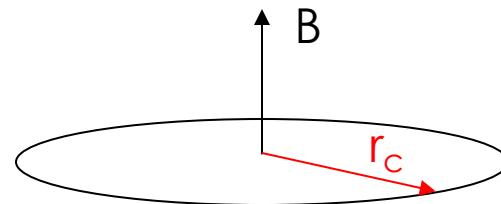


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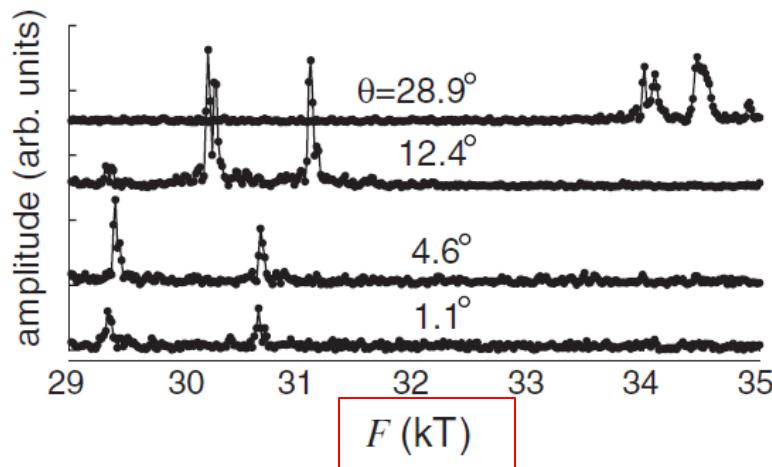
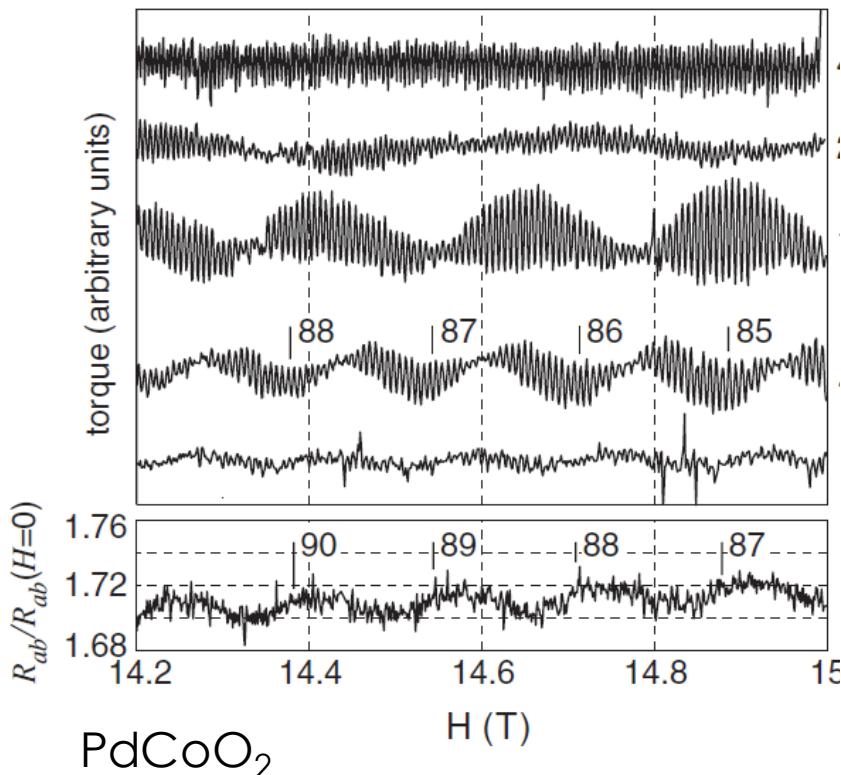
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C. Hicks et al., PRL 109, 116401 (2012)

D. Shoenberg – Magnetic oscillations in met...

Harmonic oscillator revisited

2D: $H = \frac{1}{2m}(p_x^2 + p_y^2) \rightarrow \frac{1}{2m}\left(p_x^2 + (p_y - eBx)^2\right)$ with $A = (0, Bx, 0)$ in Landau gauge

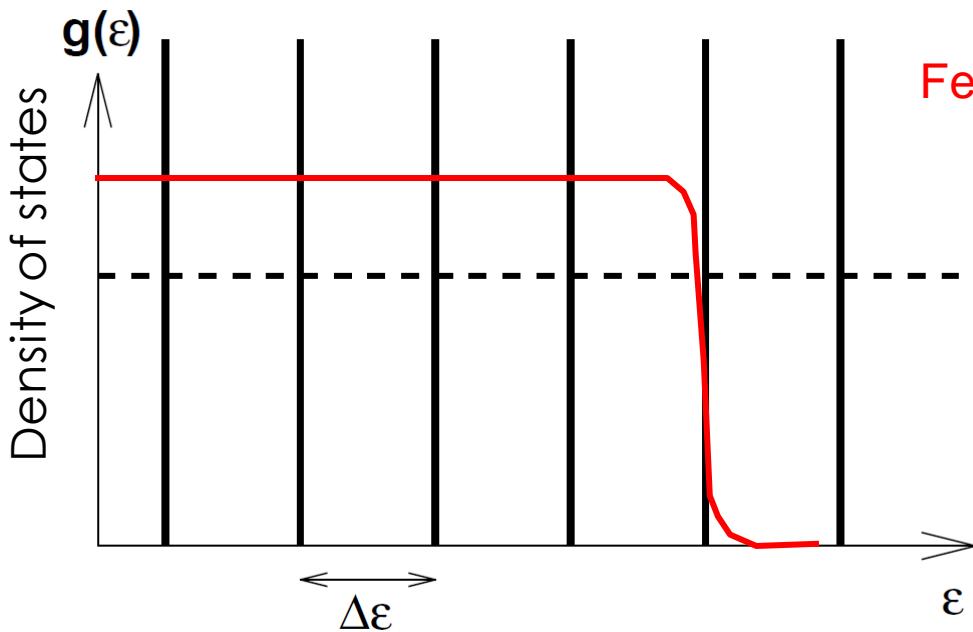
As $[p_y, p_x] = [p_y, x] = 0$, the solution can be written as $\psi(x, y) = \tilde{\psi}(x)e^{-ik_y y}$

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Landau levels

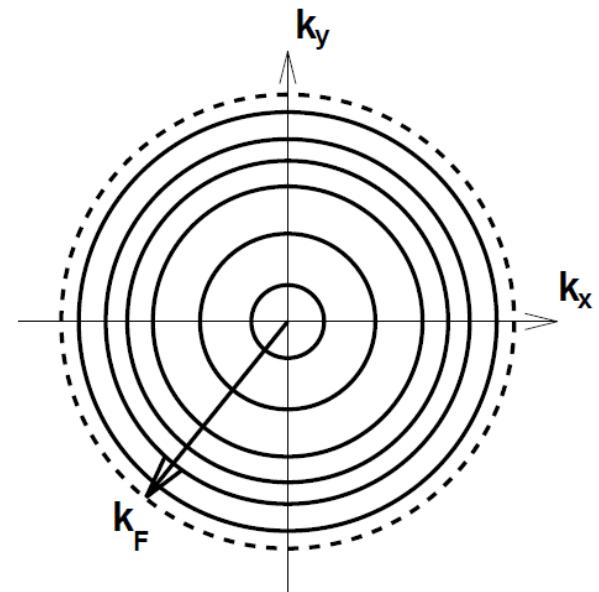
Harmonic oscillators: localized states with discrete spectrum $\hbar\omega_c\left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)$

2D density of states



Fermi-Dirac distribution
 $f(E, \mu, T)$

$$E_n = \hbar\omega_c \left(n + \frac{1}{2} \right)$$



Harmonic oscillator revisited

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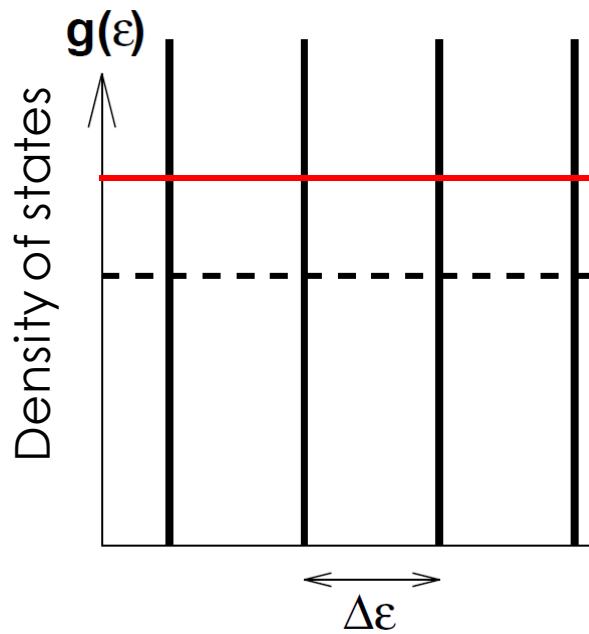


- Magnetic fields break translational invariance perpendicular to them.
- Landau levels in 3D are one-dimensional modes dispersing along the field.

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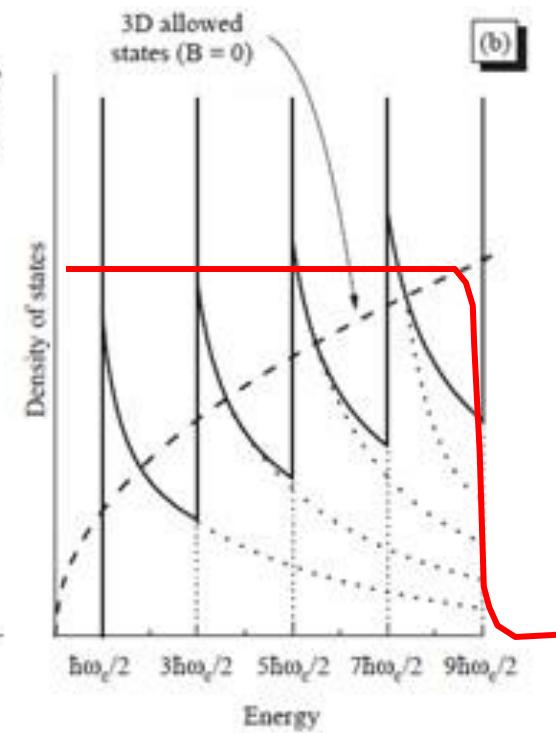
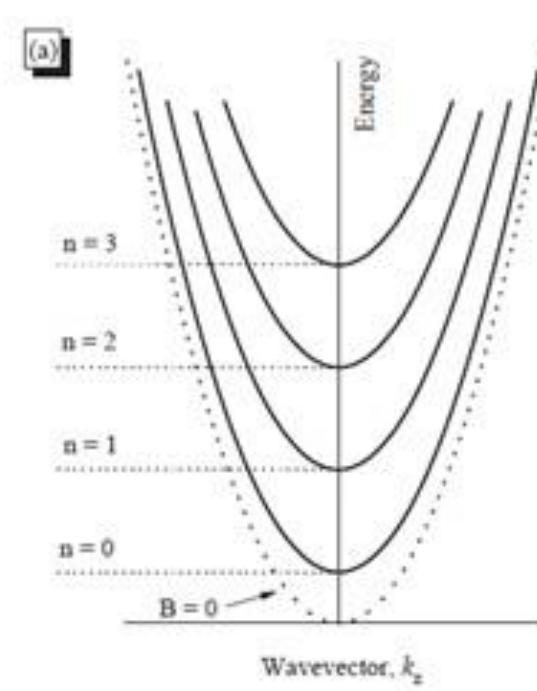
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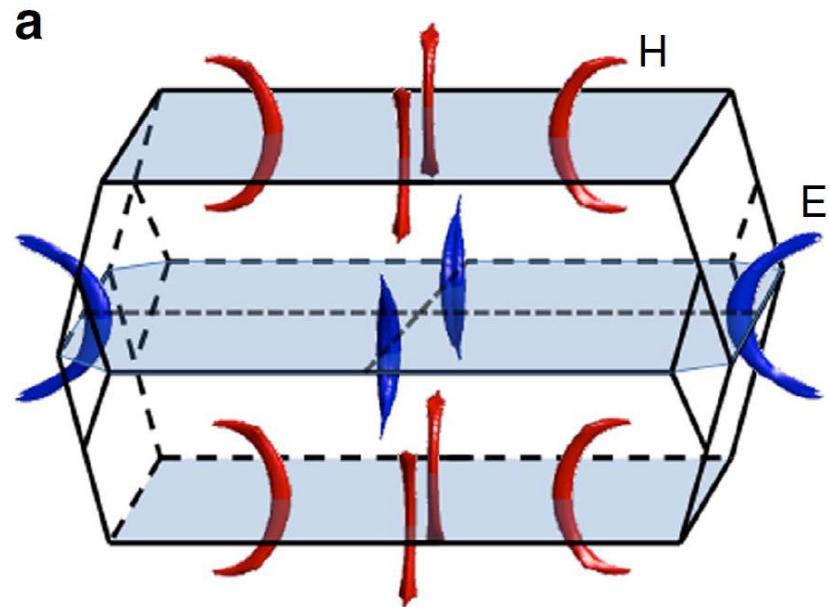
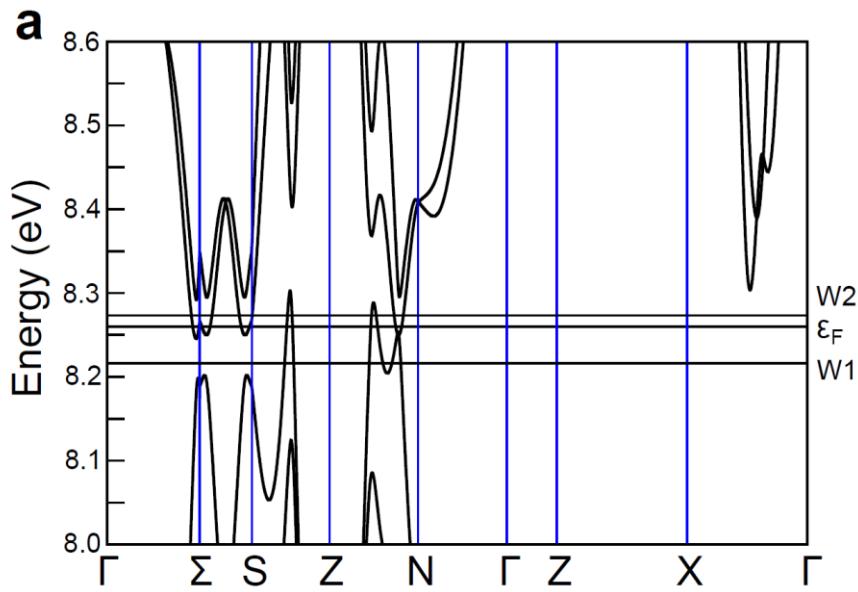


Fermiology

Lattice interactions can give complex dispersions

Example: TaP

F. Arnold et al., Nat. Comm 7:11615 (2015)



- Orbital arrangement leads to complex wave functions and dispersions
- Fermi surfaces are commonly non-spherical

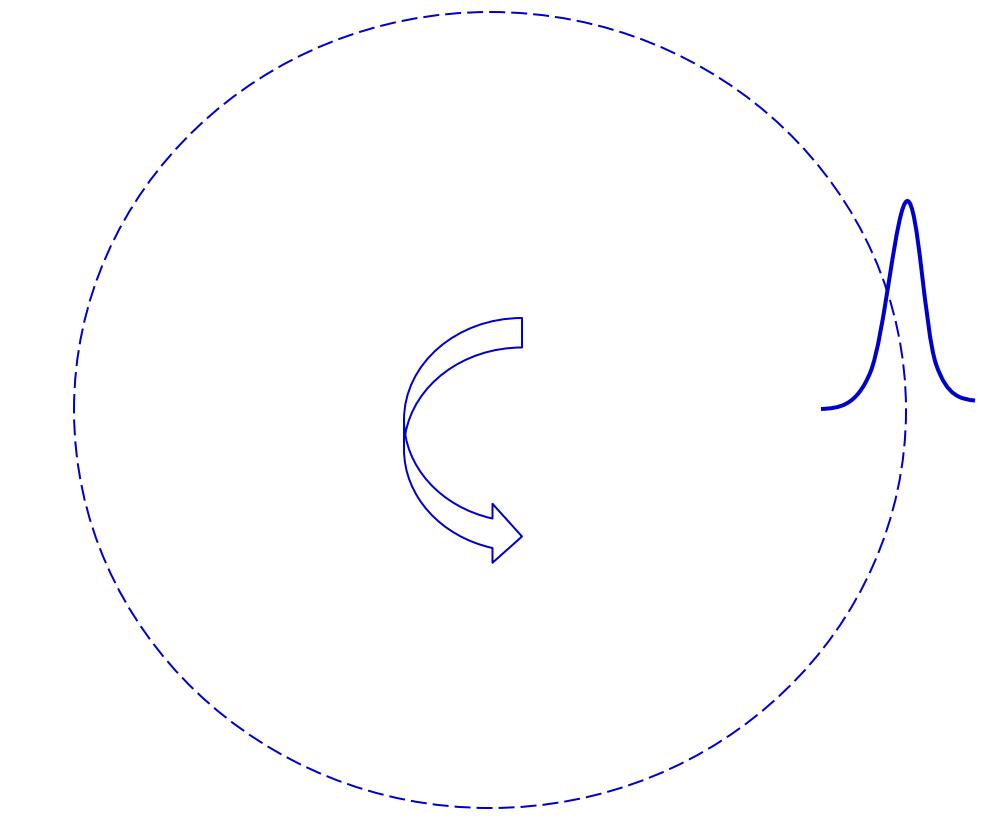
Yet the concepts from free electrons can be directly translated, and quantum oscillations are a powerful tool to measure Fermi surfaces

Semiclassical equations of motion

Wavepacket centered at position \mathbf{r} and momentum \mathbf{k}

$$\hbar \frac{d\mathbf{k}}{dt} = \mathbf{F} = q(\mathbf{v}_k \times \mathbf{B})$$

$$\frac{d\mathbf{r}(\mathbf{k})}{dt} = \mathbf{v}_k = \hbar^{-1} \nabla E(\mathbf{k})$$



Consider arbitrary (and often crazy complex) $E(\mathbf{k})$

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Cyclotron orbits in metals are paths on the Fermi surface perpendicular to \mathbf{B}

Momentum space orbits

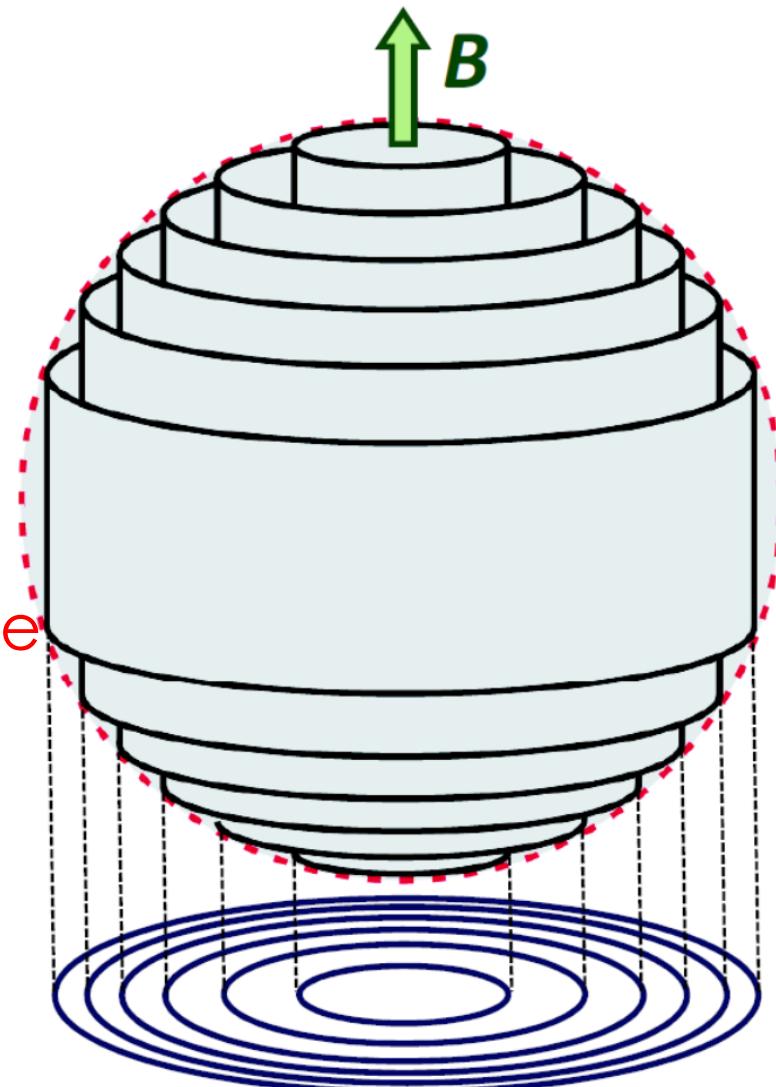
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Fermi surface



The magnetic length

At a given B , how large is the area through which one flux quantum threads?

$$\Phi = l_B^2 B = \Phi_0 \rightarrow l_B^2 = \frac{\Phi_0}{B} : \text{magnetic length}$$

Length scale over which the magnetic field notably changes phase of wavefunction

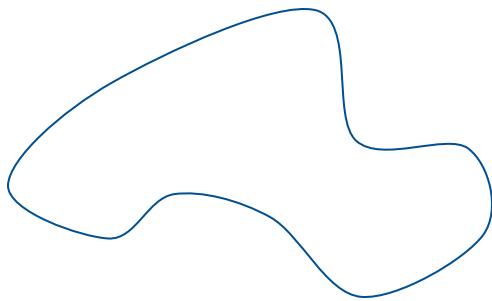
Length scales in metals:

$l_B \sim \text{sample size}$: semi-classics, Hall-effect, Boltzmann magnetotransport,...

$l_B \sim \text{phase coherence}$: quantum oscillations, Aharonov Bohm, interference

$l_B \sim \text{atomic scale}$: quantum limit, non-perturbative, Hofstadter physics,...

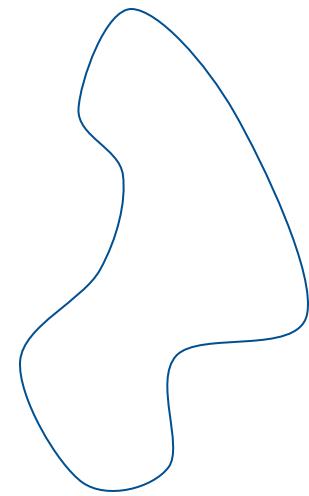
Real space orbits are trivially related to semi-classical k-space orbits



Momentum-space orbit



- Rotate by 90°
 - Scale by l_B^2
- Dimension!*



Real-space orbit

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Bohr-Sommerfeld-quantization: $\Phi = B * A = 2\pi(n + \gamma)\Phi_0$

Real space orbit area $A \rightarrow$ k-space orbit area $S = A l_B^{-4}$

$$B * S * \left(\frac{\Phi_0}{B}\right)^2 = 2\pi(n + \gamma)\Phi_0$$

Onsager relation (Bohr-Sommerfeld for k-space orbit)

$$S(E, k_z) \quad \Phi_0/B_n = 2\pi[n + \gamma]$$

Area of Orbit
in k-space

Quantum oscillation frequency = k-space orbit area

$$S(E, k_z) \Phi_0 / B_n = 2\pi[n + \gamma]$$

Area of Orbit
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Solutions are periodic in $1/B_n$: $\frac{1}{B_n} = \frac{2\pi}{S\Phi_0} (n + \gamma)$

Frequency: $F = \frac{1}{period} = \left(\frac{1}{B_{n+1}} - \frac{1}{B_n} \right)^{-1} = \frac{\hbar}{2\pi e} S$

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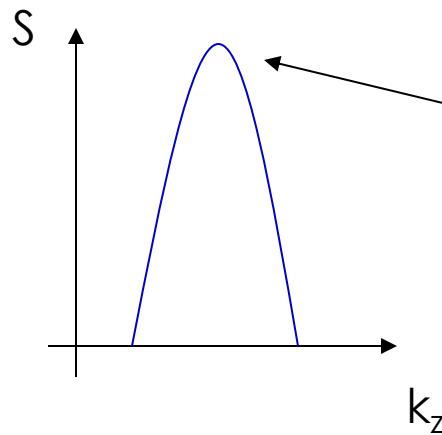
Experimentally measured quantum oscillation frequencies
= k-space orbit area of orbit, even in highly complex metals

Only extremal orbits are experimentally detectable

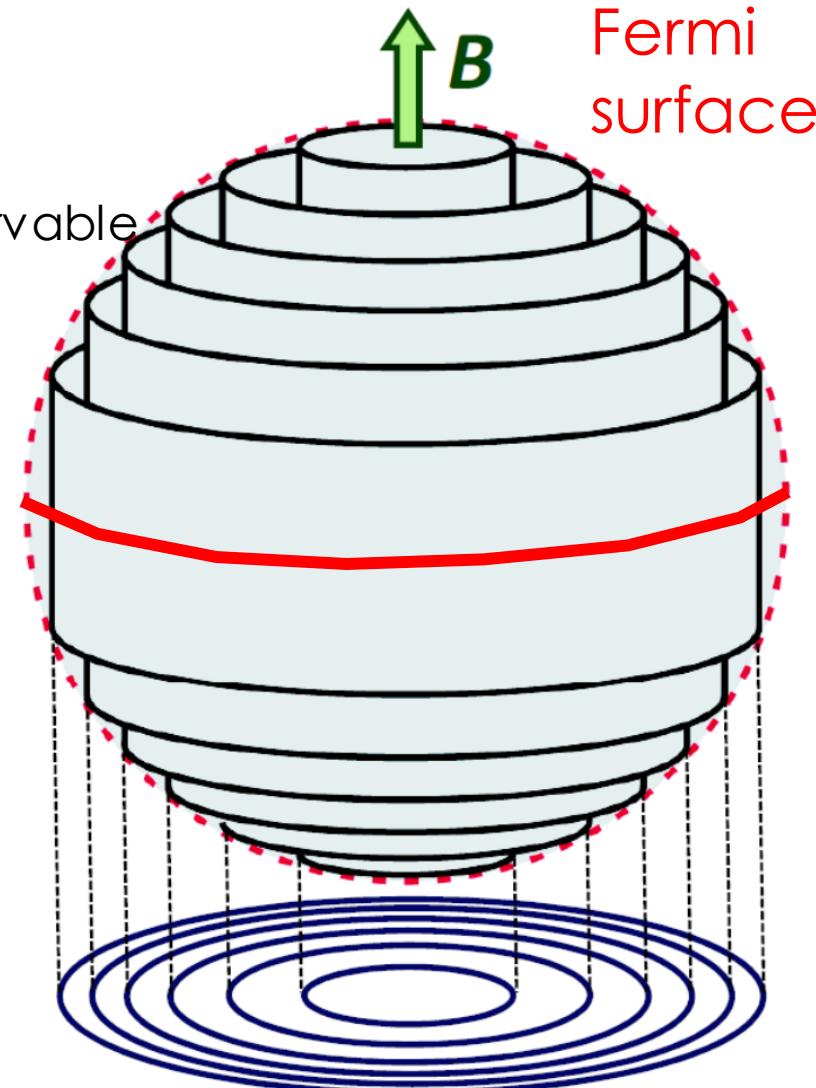
Geometric property of Fermi surface: $S(k_z)$
denote direction of field as z

Orbits with extremal cross-sections are observable

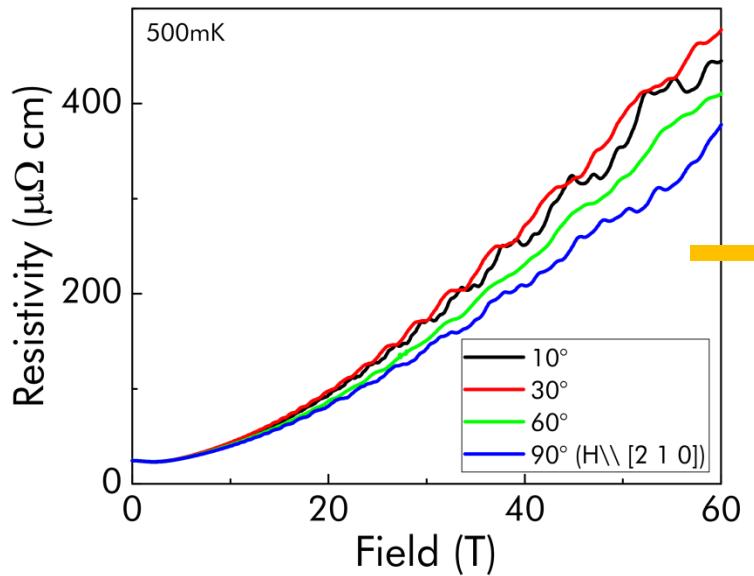
$$\frac{dS}{dk_z} = 0$$



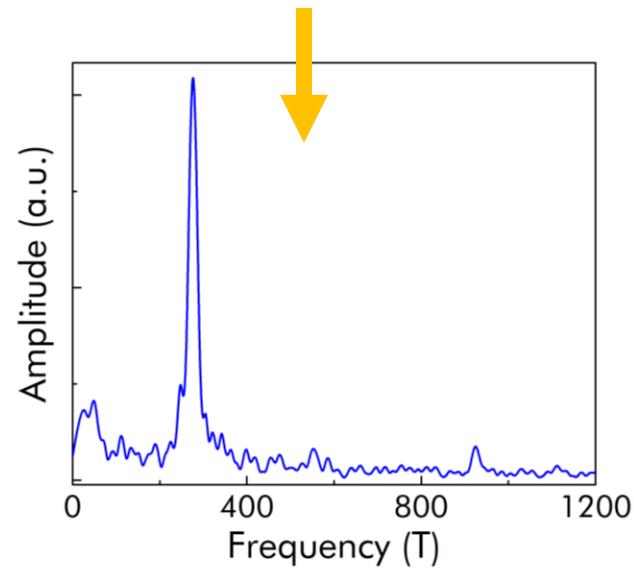
$$S_{ext} \propto F_{ext}$$



Quantum oscillations in pulsed fields in PtSe₂

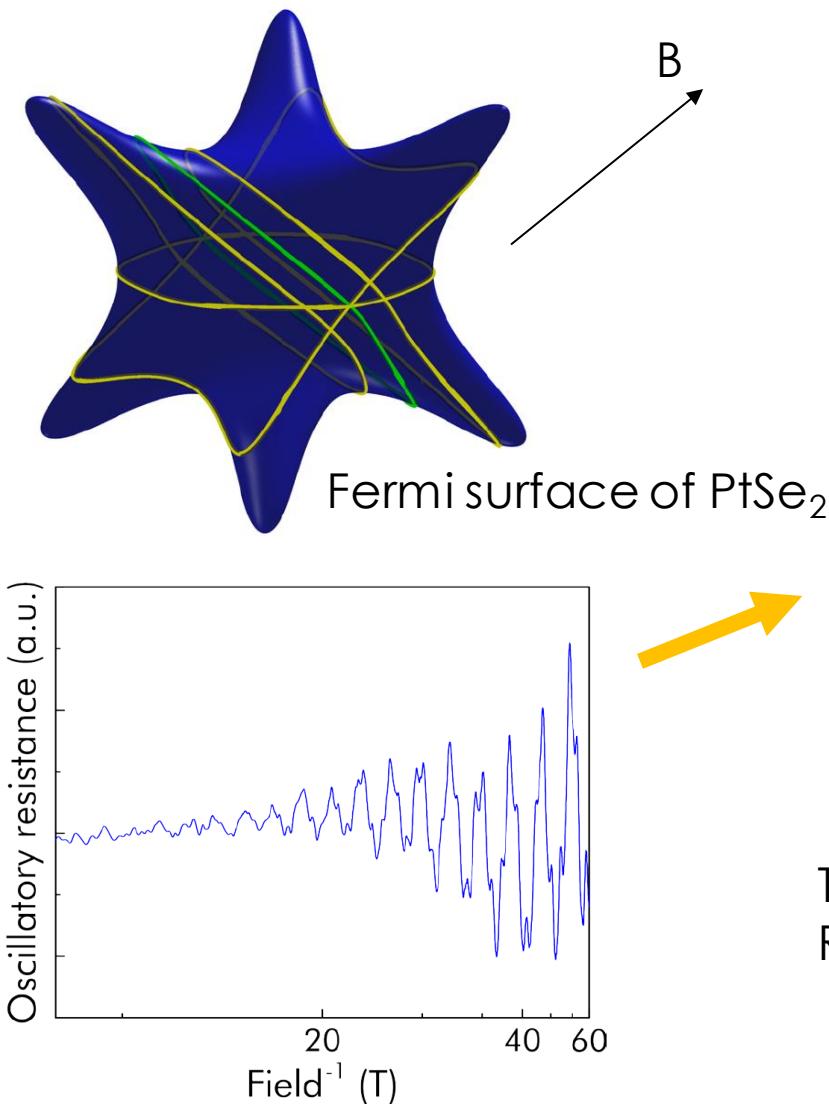


- High SNR in pulsed fields for high conductivity metal
- Multiple quantum orbits observed

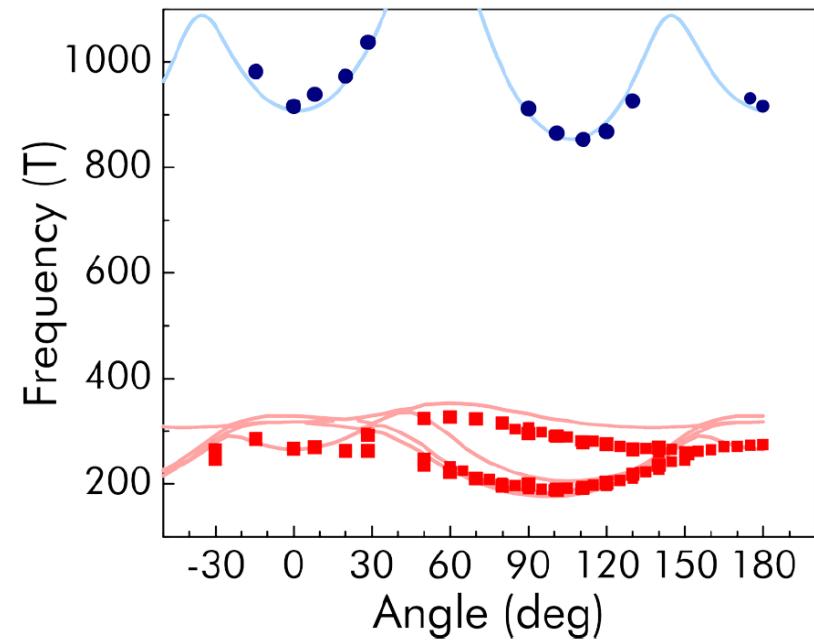


Quantum oscillation frequencies: *Fermiology*

Frequency = extremal Fermi surface area (Onsager)



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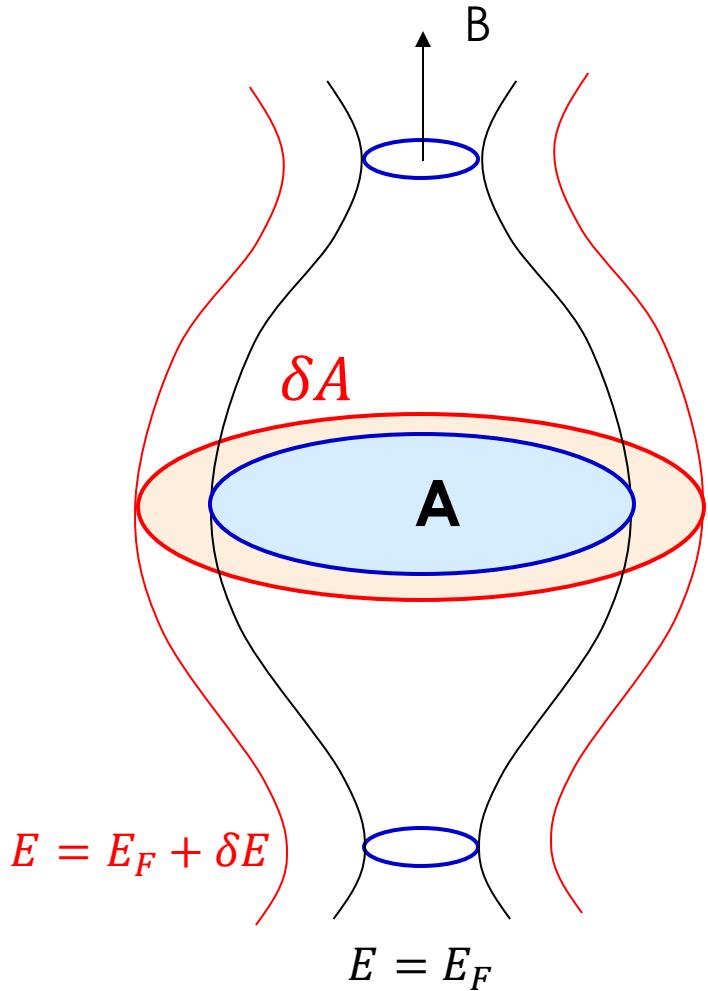


Tomographic reconstruction of Fermi surface
Rotate B w.r.t crystal.

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Quantum oscillation frequencies: effective mass

The classical cyclotron frequency cannot be complete on quantum level $\omega_c = \frac{eB}{m}$



$$\text{Cyclotron mass: } m_c = \frac{\hbar^2}{2\pi} \frac{\partial A}{\partial E}$$

$$A = \pi k_F^2 \rightarrow k_F = \left(\frac{A}{\pi}\right)^{1/2}$$

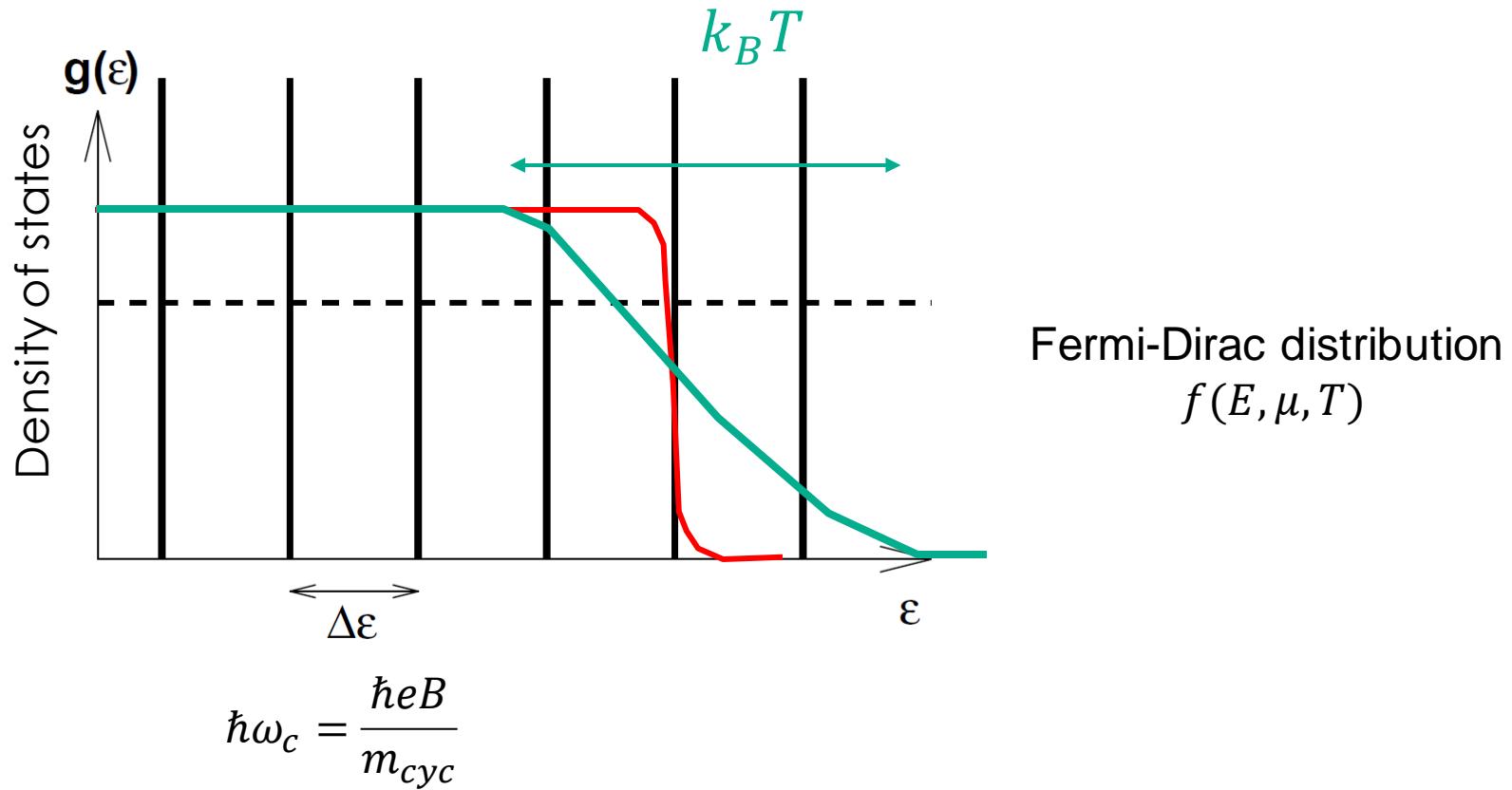
Schrödinger Electrons

$$E = \frac{\hbar^2 k_F^2}{2m^*} = \frac{\hbar^2 A}{2m^*\pi} \rightarrow A = \frac{2m^*\pi}{\hbar^2} E \rightarrow m_c = m^*$$

Dirac Electrons

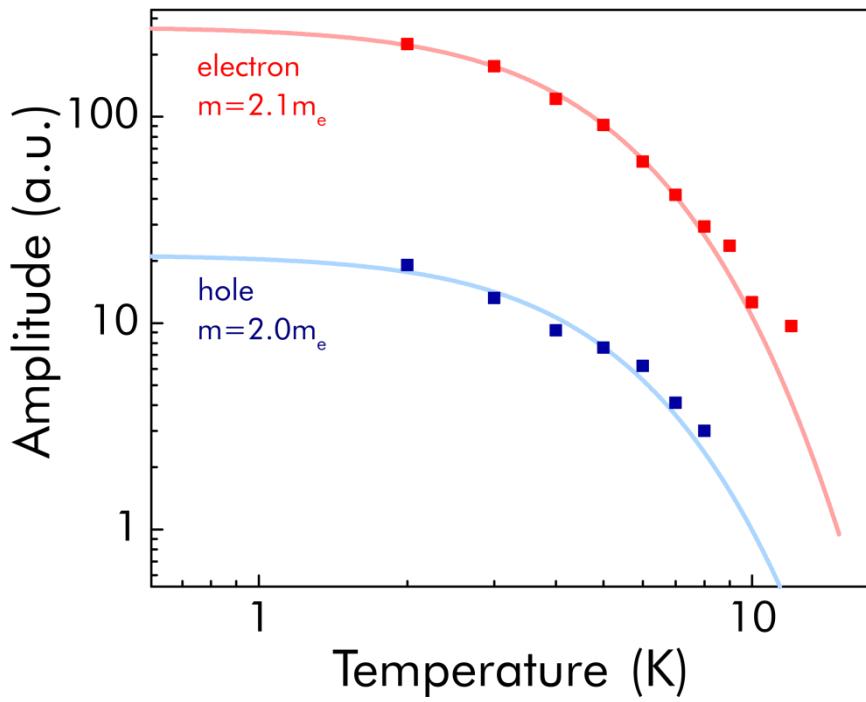
$$E = \hbar v_F k_F = \hbar v_F \left(\frac{A}{\pi}\right)^{1/2} \rightarrow \\ A = \pi \left(\frac{E}{\hbar v_F}\right)^2 \rightarrow m_c = \frac{\hbar}{v_F} E$$

Quantum oscillation frequencies: effective mass



- Quantum oscillations are suppressed by increasing temperature
- This suppression allows a direct determination of the cyclotron mass m_{cyc}

Effective Mass in PtSe₂



- Band structure: $m_{band} \sim 0.35m_e$
- Quantum oscillations: $m_{eff} \sim 2m_e$
- Sizeable mass enhancement

$$m_{eff} = (1 + \lambda) m_{band}$$

$$\lambda \sim 4.7$$

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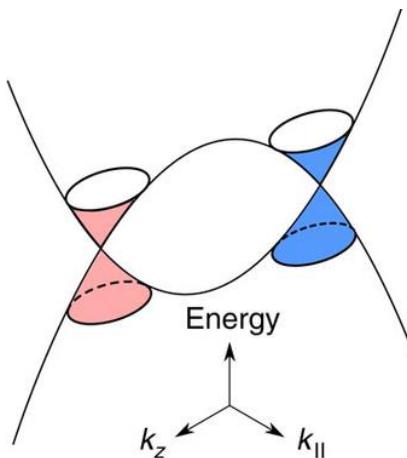


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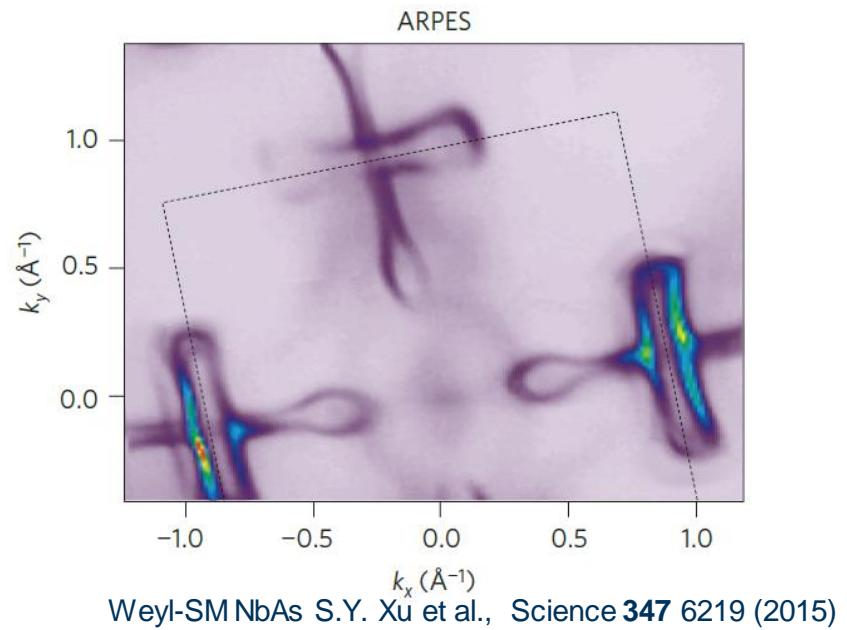
- Topological semi-metals offer a new playground for quantum oscillation
- Quantum oscillation phases encode critical information about the orbit
- Their analysis is challenging; a phase offset of π is NOT a sign of Berry.

New aspects of topology in semi-metals

Bulk



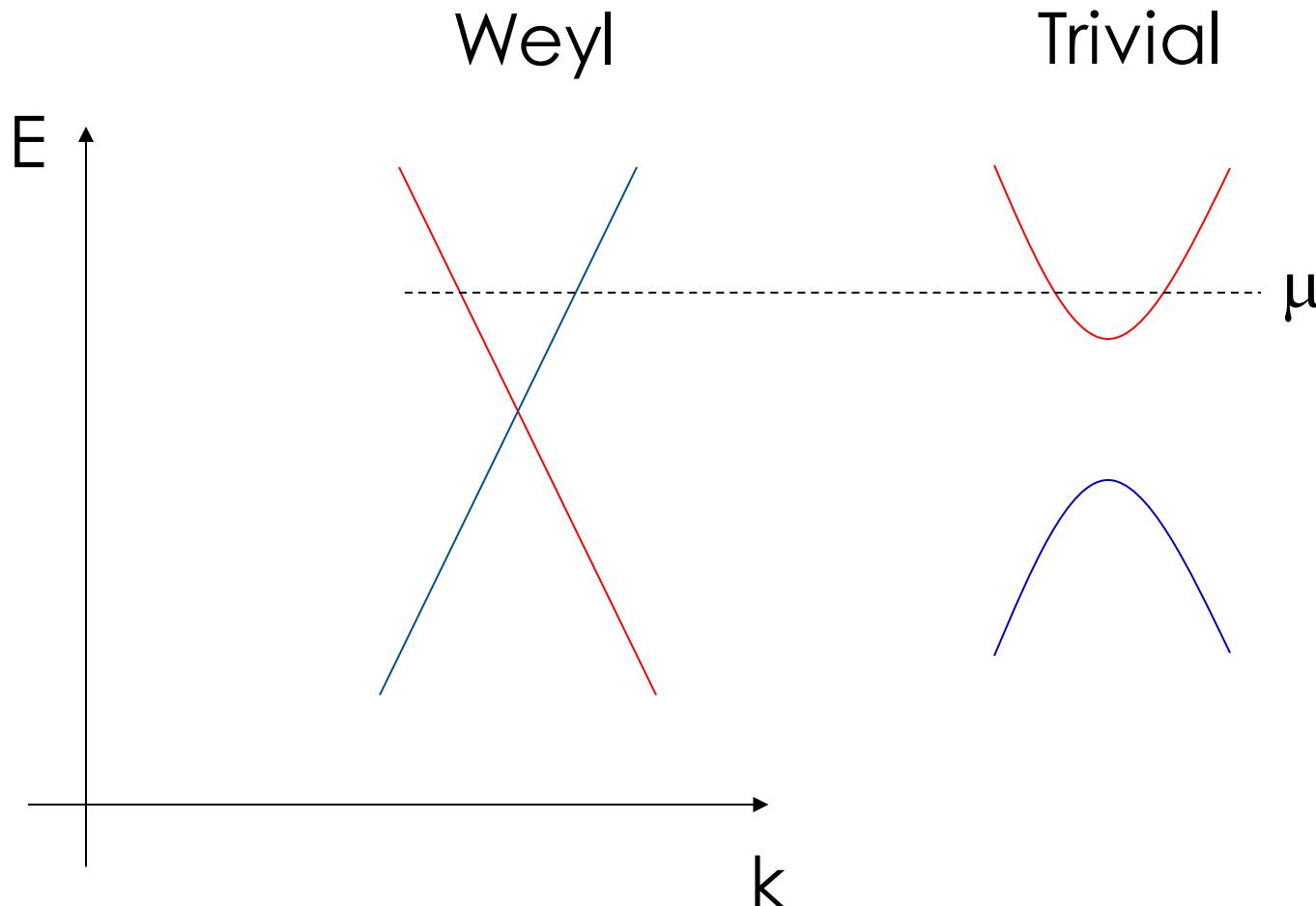
Surface



- Gapless linear crossings
- Additional internal degrees of freedom
- Chiral/Helical states
- Relativistic quantum mechanics toolbox
- Associated quantum transport

- Fermi arc surface states
- Bulk-boundary connection
- Topological protection

What physical observables are determined by topology?



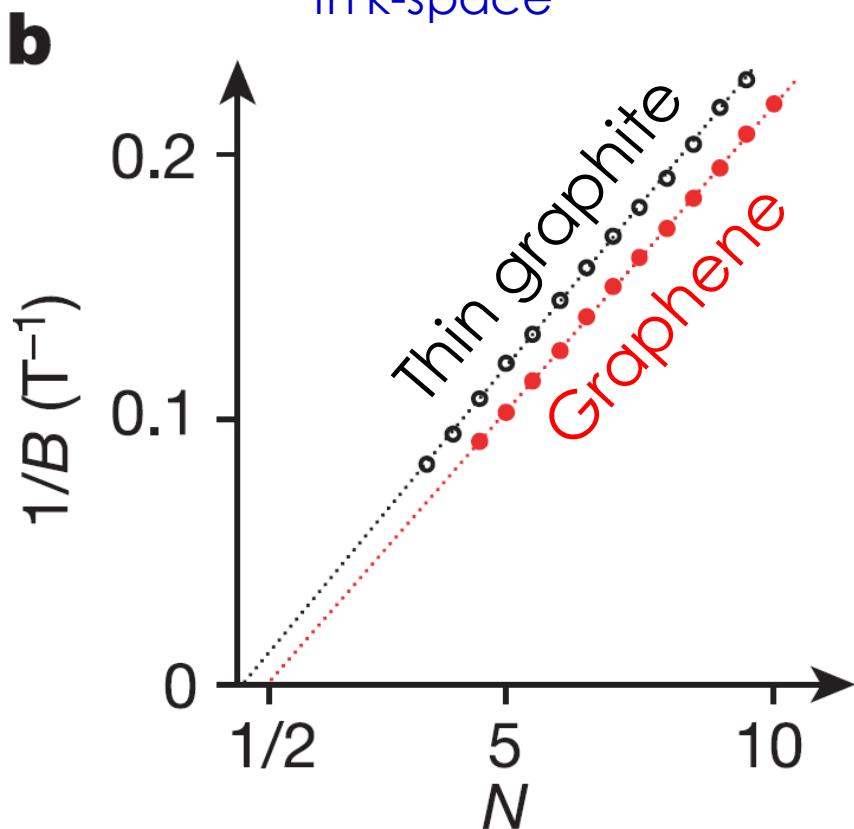
Significant difference in orbital content of waveform,
but how about macroscopic observables?

Quantum oscillations: frequency and phase

$$S(E, k_z) \Phi_0/B_n = 2\pi[n + \gamma]$$

Area of Orbit
in k-space

Phase factor



Simple logic:

1. Landau levels are harmonic oscillators ($\gamma = 1/2$, as in normal metals)
2. Wave package gains geometric phase ($\gamma = 1/2 - 1/2 = 0$)

π phase shift due to Berry phase

Its not that simple!

K.S. Novoselov et al., Nature 438, 197 (2005)
S.G. Sharapov et al., PRB 69, 075104 (2004)
V.P. Gusynin et al., PRB 71, 125124 (2005)

The phase is always a problem

THE DE HAAS–VAN ALPHEN EFFECT*

III. EXPERIMENTS AT FIELDS UP TO 32 kG

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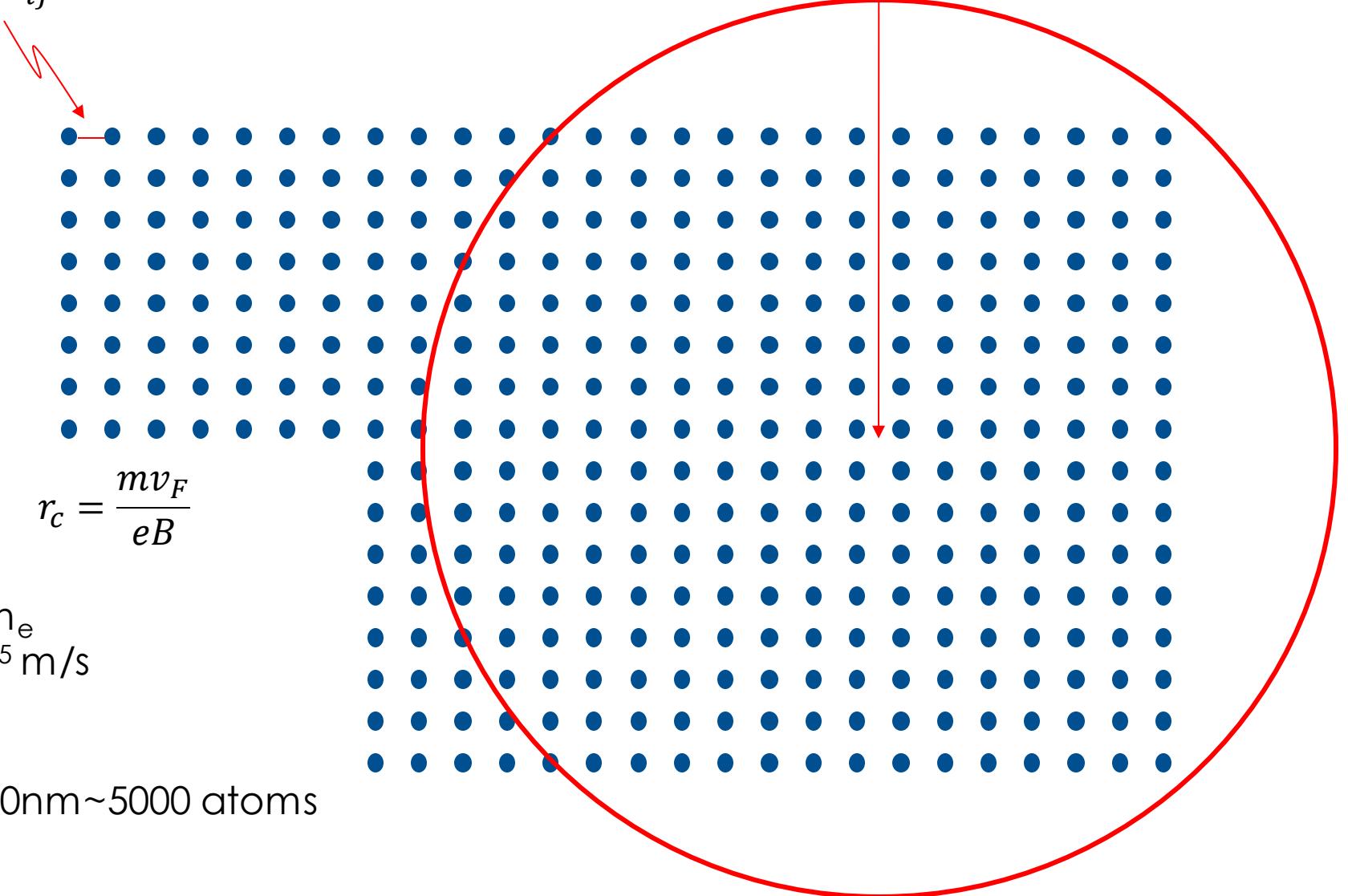
The periodic field dependence of magnetic anisotropy (de Haas–van Alphen effect) has been studied for bismuth and zinc crystals by the torque method between about 1·5 and 32 kG at 4·19°K and about 1·5°K; in each case the orientation was chosen so that only a single fundamental periodicity was present. Particular attention was paid to the phase and harmonic content of the oscillations and to the form of the field dependence of amplitude. For bismuth good agreement was found with the theoretical formula except that the signs of the fundamental and the odd harmonics had to be reversed. For zinc the field dependence of amplitude at high fields was quite at variance with

Bi is a topologically trivial semi-metal,
yet shows a quantum oscillation phase of π !

- Other corrections to phase beside Berry ($\sim \hbar$)
- Ill-defined problem due to degeneracies

Why is this hard? I can compute anything!

$$t_{ij} = t_{ij} e^{iA_{ij} \cdot d_{ij}}$$



$$\begin{aligned} m &= 1m_e \\ v_F &= 10^5 \text{ m/s} \\ B &= 1\text{T} \end{aligned}$$

$$r_c = 570\text{nm} \sim 5000 \text{ atoms}$$

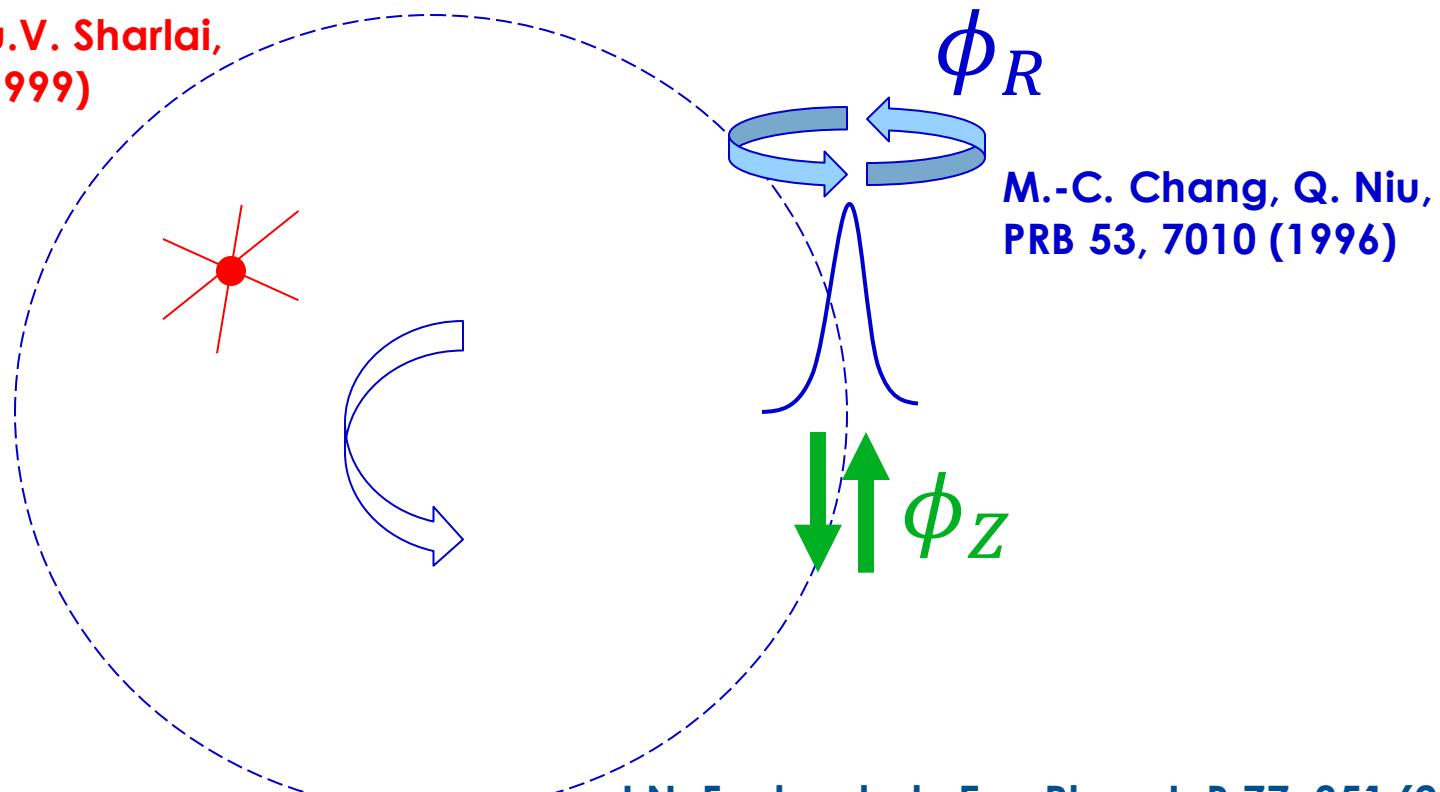
π

Maslov

J.B. Keller,

Ann. Phys. (N.Y.) 4, 180 (1958)

G.P. Mikitik, Yu.V. Sharlai,
PRL 82, 2147 (1999)



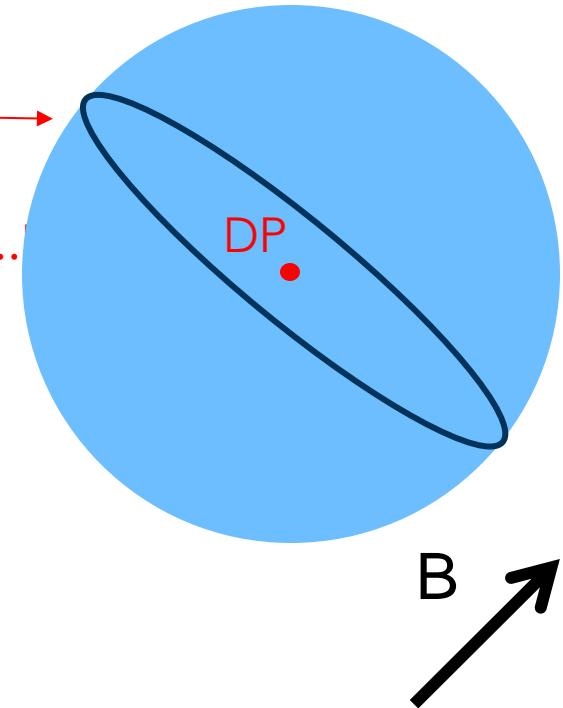
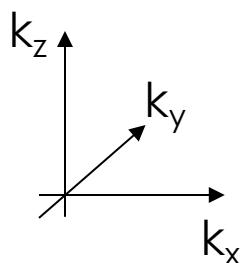
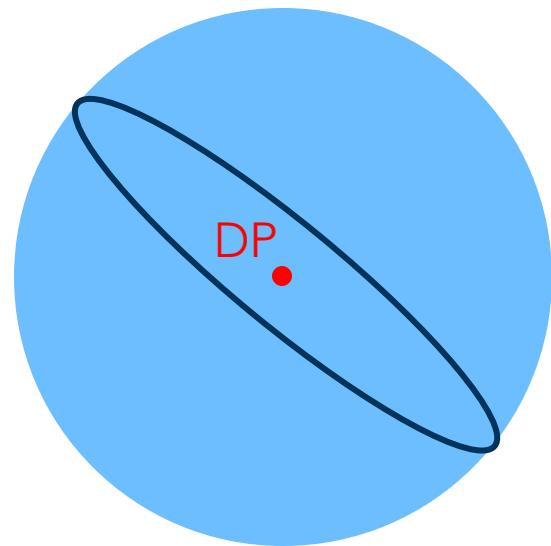
$\otimes B$

Key point: Degeneracies

$$\psi_1(k), \psi_2(k), \dots, \psi_D(k)$$

Each state on orbit D-fold degenerate in k-space ($a=1..D$)
e.g. $D=2$: spin-degenerate orbit

Crystal-symmetry related
copies of Fermi surfaces



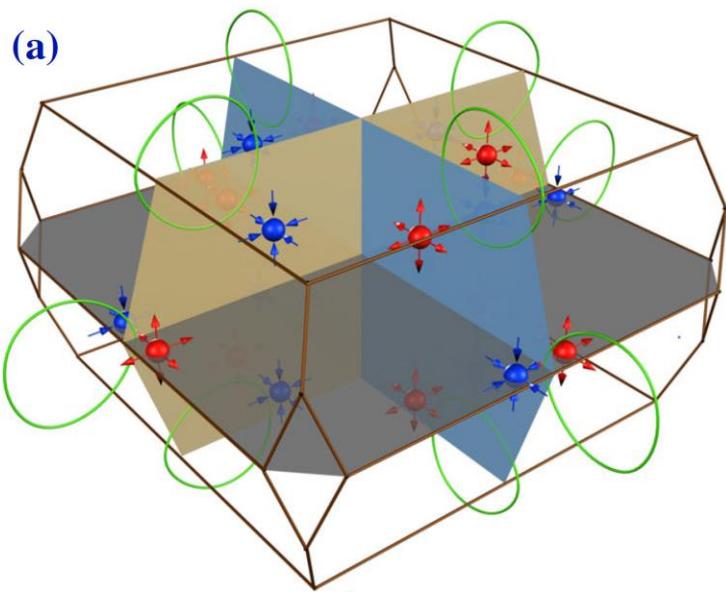
All have same area (=Frequency),
but a priori not the same phase!

λ_a^i i^{th} orbit
 a^{th} wavefunction

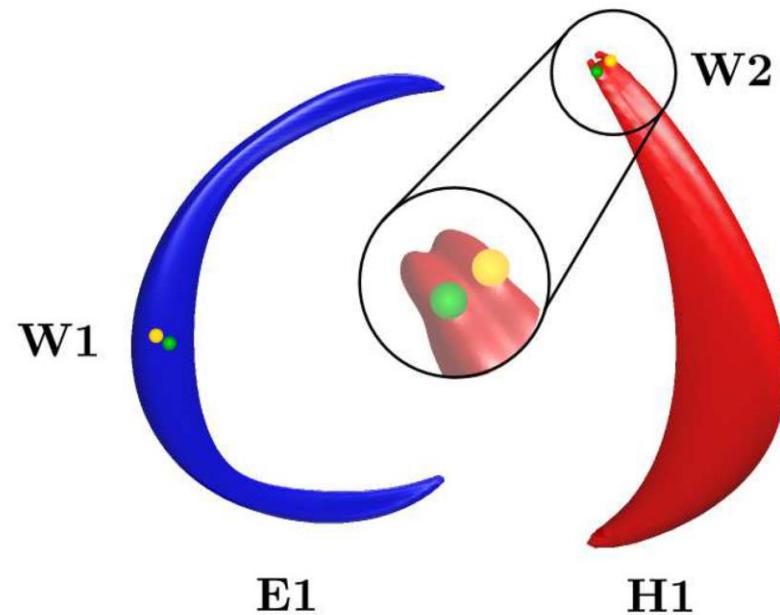
A. Alexandridanata et al., PRX 8, 011027

(2018)

Weyl semi-metal TaAs (I-broken!)



H. Weng et al., PRX 5, 011029 (2015)



J. Klotz et al., PRB 93, 121105(R) (2016)

Topological semi-metals:

large number of orbit and wavefunction degeneracy usual!

Too many degrees of freedom!

Theory

$$\Delta\rho \sim \sin\left(\frac{F}{B} + \lambda_1\right) + \sin\left(\frac{F}{B} + \lambda_2\right) + \sin\left(\frac{F}{B} + \lambda_3\right) + \sin\left(\frac{F}{B} + \lambda_4\right) + \dots$$

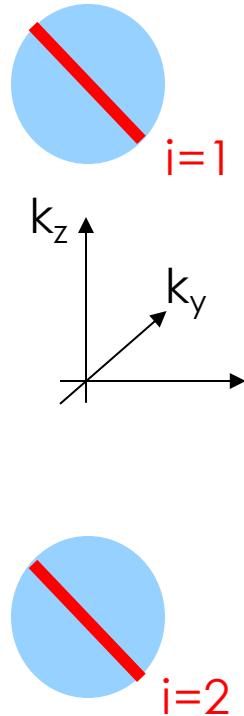
Each orbit contributes an oscillatory component at same frequency...
... but a priori different phase!

Experiment

$$= \sin\left(\frac{F}{B} + \Theta\right)$$

Crystal symmetry reduces degrees of freedom

Crystal is T and I symmetric (hence D=2 spin degeneracy)
 But orbit i is not T or I symmetric, only TI.



Preserves sign? Time reversal?

	u	s	Symmetry constraints	λ
(I) $\forall \mathbf{k}^\perp, \mathbf{k}^\perp = g^\circ \mathbf{k}^\perp$	0	0	$\mathcal{A} = \bar{g} \mathcal{A} \bar{g}^{-1}$	$\bar{g}^2 = e^{i\pi F\mu - i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{R}}$
	0	1	$\mathcal{A} = \bar{g} \mathcal{A}^* \bar{g}^{-1}$	$(\bar{g}K)^2 = e^{i\pi F\mu - i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{R}}$
(II-A) $\mathbf{k}^\perp \in \mathfrak{o}, \mathfrak{o} = g^\circ \mathfrak{o} $	0	0	$\mathcal{A} = \bar{g} \mathcal{A} \bar{g}^{-1}$	$\bar{g}^N = \mathcal{A}^{\pm N/L} e^{i\pi F\mu}$
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	1	1	$\mathcal{A} = \bar{g} \mathcal{A}' \bar{g}^{-1}$	$(\bar{g}K)^N = e^{i\pi F\mu - i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{R}}$
(II-B) $\mathbf{k}^\perp \in \mathfrak{o}, \mathfrak{o} \neq g^\circ \mathfrak{o} $	0	0	$\mathcal{A}_{i+1} = \bar{g}_i \mathcal{A}_i \bar{g}_i^{-1}$	$\bar{g}_N \dots \bar{g}_1 = e^{i\pi F\mu - i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{R}}$
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3D DSM: zero-sum rule for each orbit: $\lambda_1^i + \lambda_2^i = 0$

4 unknowns but only 1 measured phase, 2 constraints

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Experimental phase

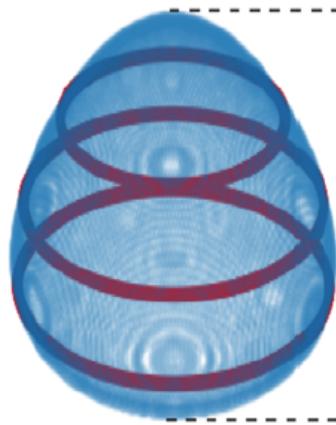
$$\Theta := \frac{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2}{2} + \pi \left(1 - \text{sign} \left[\cos \left(\frac{\lambda_1 - \lambda_2}{2} \right) \right] \right) / 2$$

$$\Theta = \pi (1 - \text{sign}(\cos(\lambda_1))) / 2$$

In the 3D DSM, both π and 0 are possible experimental phases.

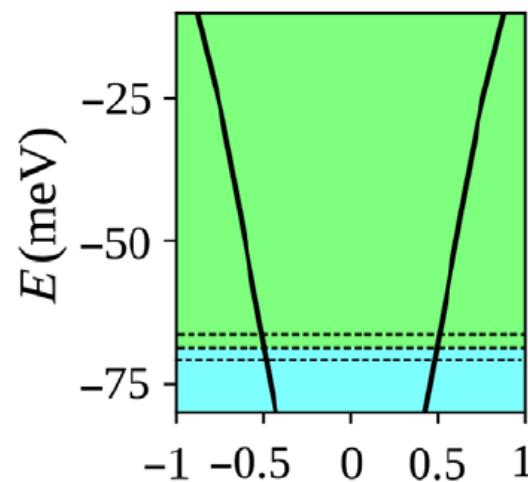
(a) $\bar{E} = -.08\text{eV}$

$\lambda(\bar{E}, k_z)/\pi$



(b)

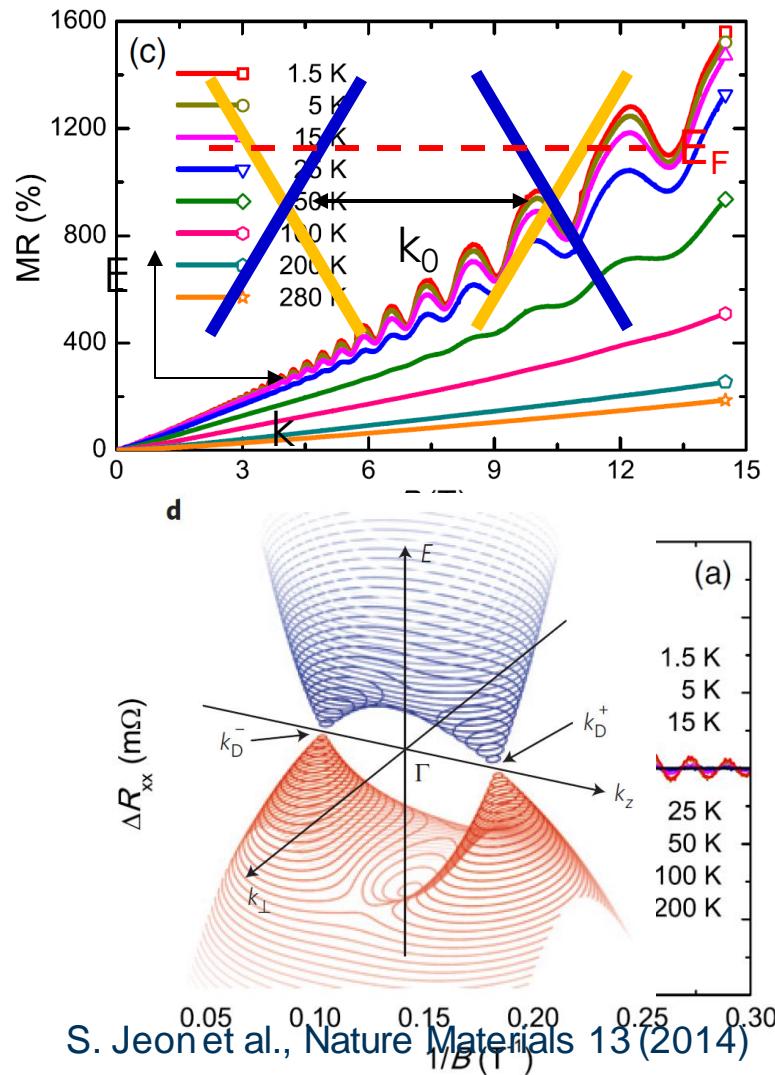
$\lambda[E, \bar{k}_z(E)]/\pi$



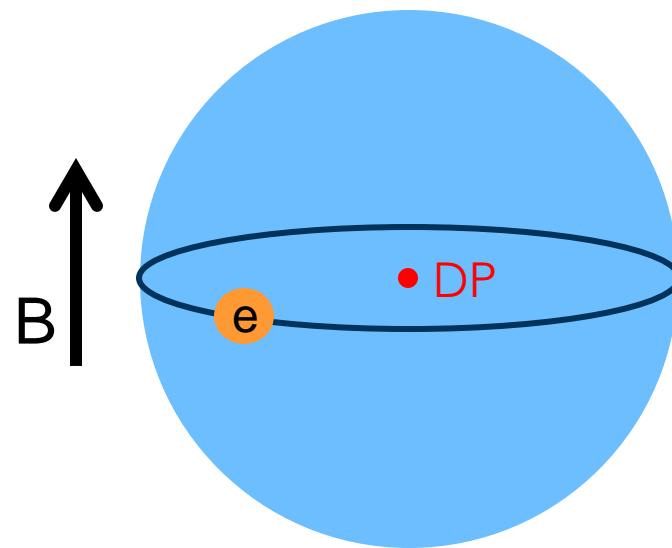
$\Theta = \pi$
↑
 $\Theta = 0$

Dirac semi-metal Cd_3As_2 : spherical bulk Fermi surface

Mag 2D Dirac cones



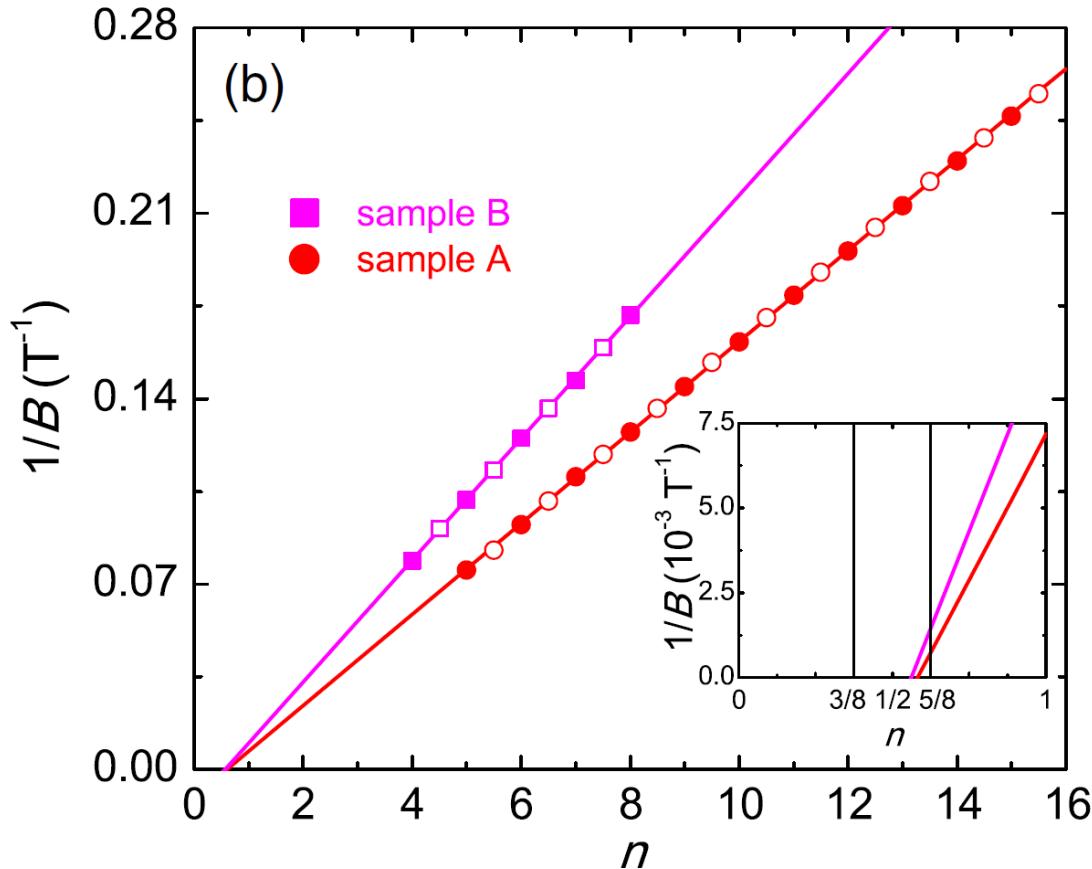
(Almost) spherical Fermi surface around each Dirac point



Cd_3As_2 bulk „spherical“ Fermi surface confirmed by single frequency

L.P. He et al., PRL 113 246402 (2014)

Cd_3As_2 a shows a π offset: Berry?



- Cd_3As_2 shows a QO phase of π .
- The Roth correction $\pm\pi/4$ is not a range.
Minimum orbit: $+\frac{\pi}{4}$
Maximum orbit: $-\frac{\pi}{4}$

Does this prove a Dirac dispersion?

Unfortunately, not...

$$\Theta = \pi(1 - \text{sign}(\cos(\lambda_1))) / 2$$

L. Roth, Phys. Rev. **145**, 434-448 (1966)
L.P. He et al., PRL **113** 246402 (2014)

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Key points:

- Quantum oscillation phase is not quantized and can take any value.
- A phase-offset of π does not prove/disprove a Berry phase.
- A proper treatment of all corrections based on higher harmonics can, in some cases, allow a direct detection of topological phases.

Higher Harmonics save the day!

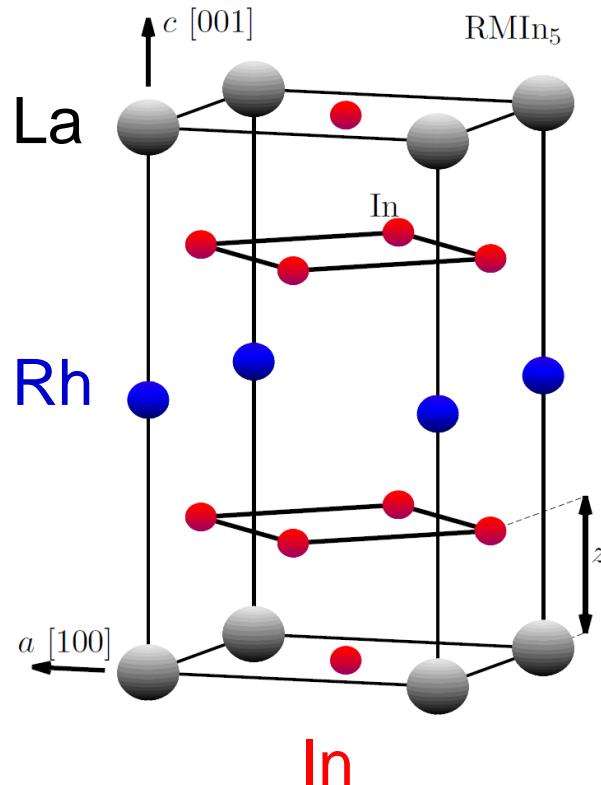
$$\delta \mathcal{M}_i = -\frac{1}{(2\pi)^{3/2}} \frac{kT}{|\mathbf{B}|} \frac{S}{l|S_{zz}|^{1/2}} \sum_{a=1}^D \left[\sum_{r=1}^{\infty} e^{-[(r\pi)/(\omega_c \tau)]} \frac{\sin [\mathbf{r}(l^2 S + \lambda_a^i - \phi_M) \pm \pi/4]}{r^{1/2} \sinh(2\pi^2 r kT / \hbar \omega_c)} \right]$$

Harmonic
index r

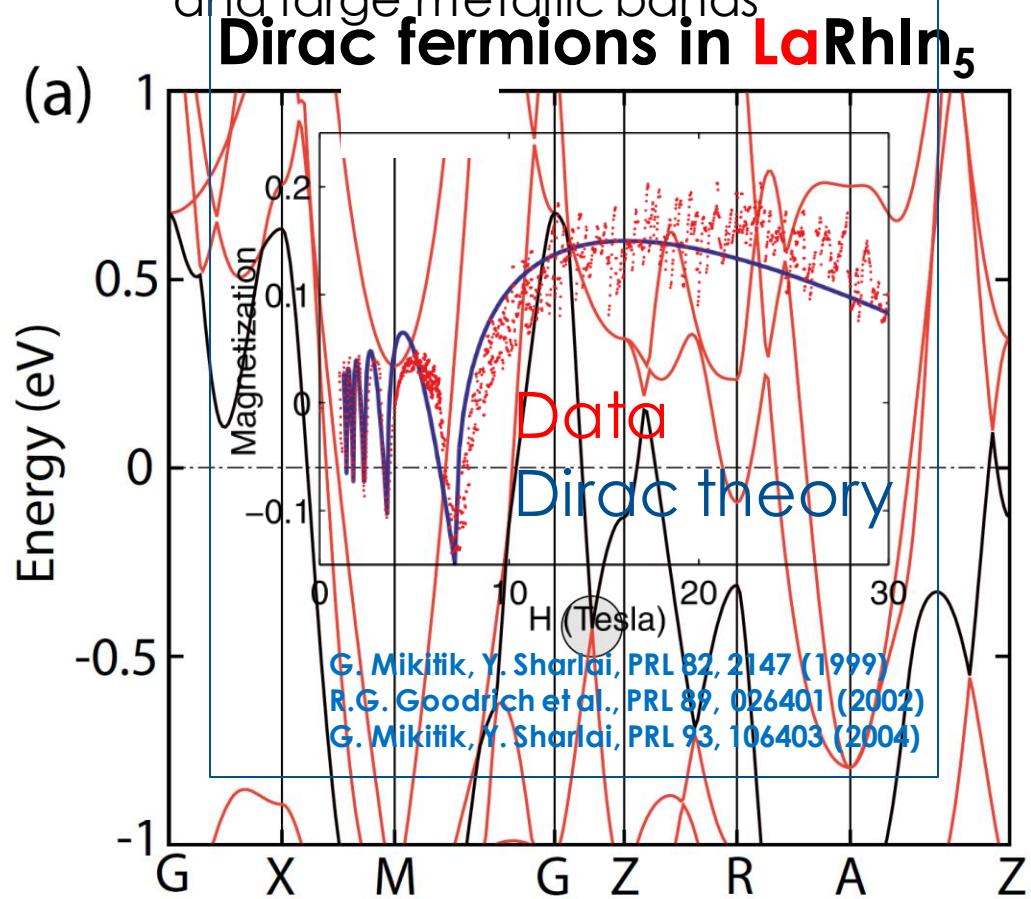
**Phases of higher harmonics provide further constraints
allowing to solve for the actual λ !**

A. Alexandridanata et al., PRX 8, 011027
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The tetragonal crystal structure of LaRhIn₅

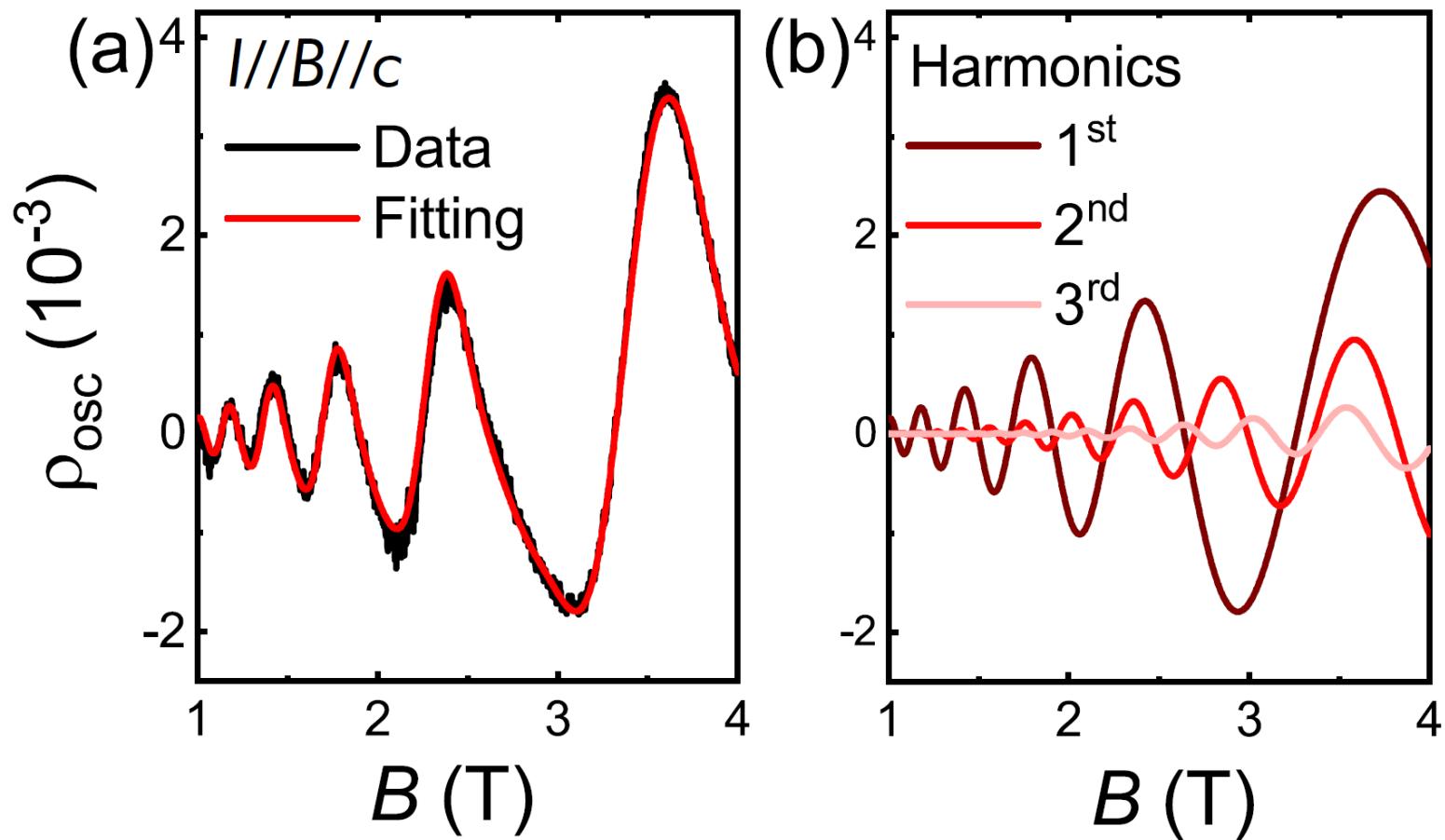


Band structure predicts a Dirac node
and large metallic bands



~0.1% of DOS due to Dirac Fermi surface

LaRhIn₅



$$\frac{\Delta \rho}{\rho_{bg}} = \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} A' \sqrt{\frac{B}{r}} \boxed{\cos(r\lambda_1^{\uparrow})} R_T^r R_D^r \cos[r(2\pi \frac{F}{B} - \pi) + \phi_{LK}]$$

M. Guo et al., on arXiv 500

λ is in the amplitude ratio!

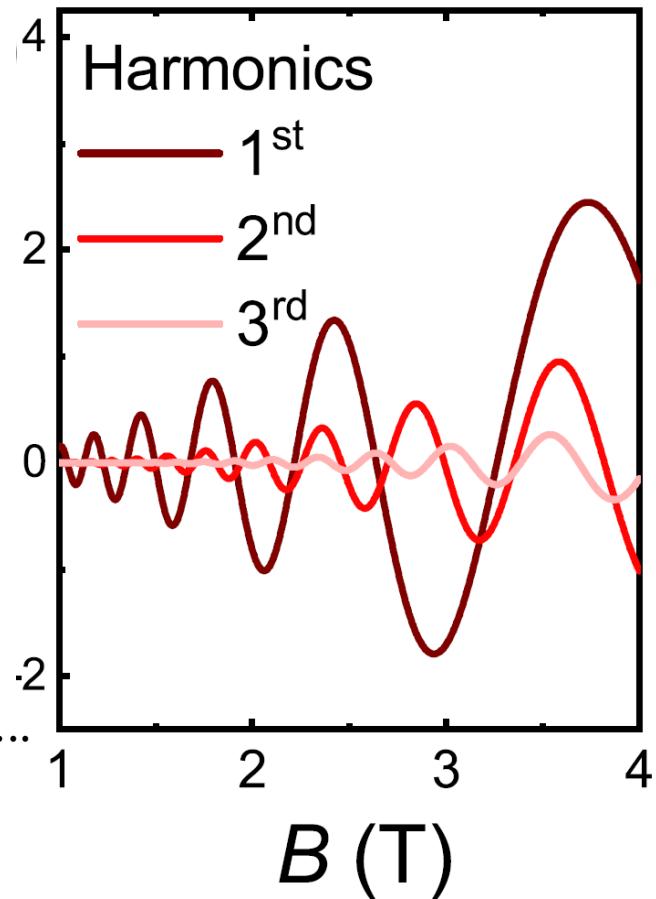
$$\frac{A_1}{A_r} = \frac{\cos(\lambda)}{\cos(r\lambda)}$$

Experimentally:

$$\lambda = 0.96 \pm 0.01 \pi$$

Direct evidence for Berry phase of π

Despite multi-band, unknown LL positions,...



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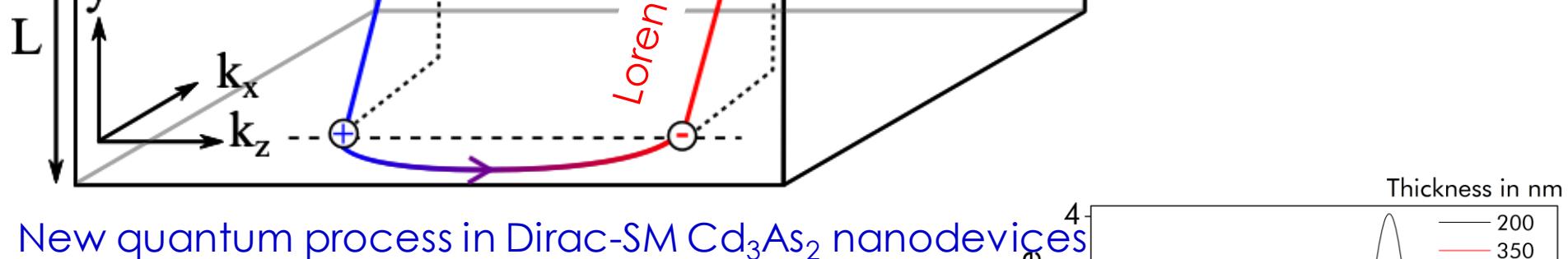
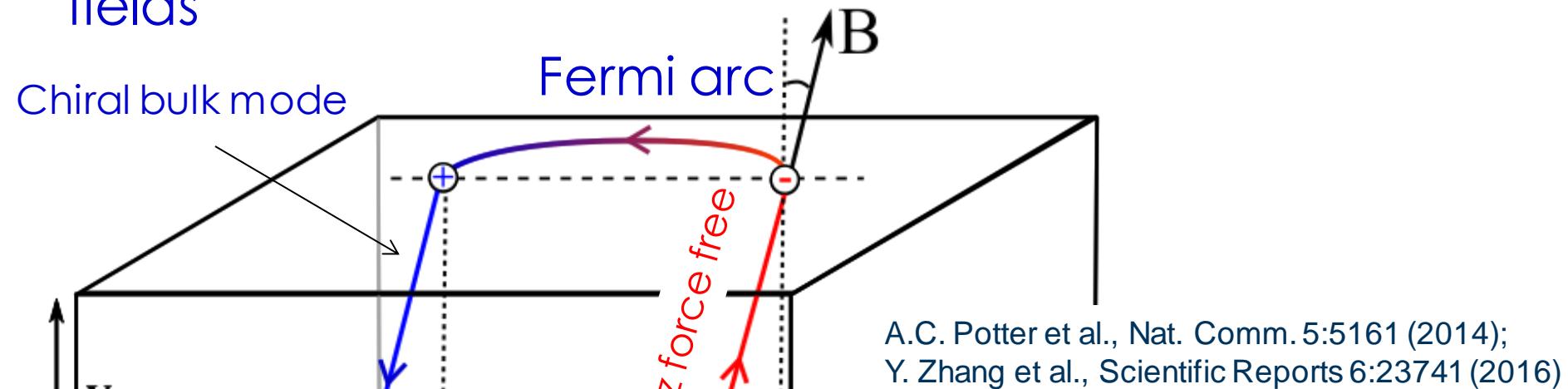
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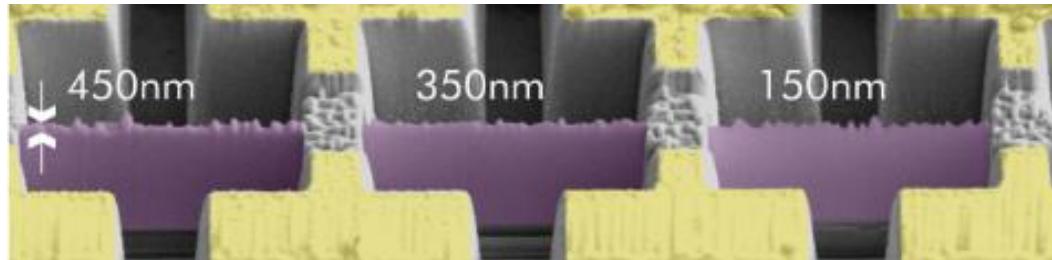
Key points:

- Focused Ion Beam enables new quantum experiments in exotic materials
- New quantum process due to conserved chirality : Weyl orbit
- Beware of longitudinal magnetoresistance in semi-metals
- Controlled current beams over long distances in Cd_3As_2

Bulk-surface distinction vanishes in strong magnetic fields

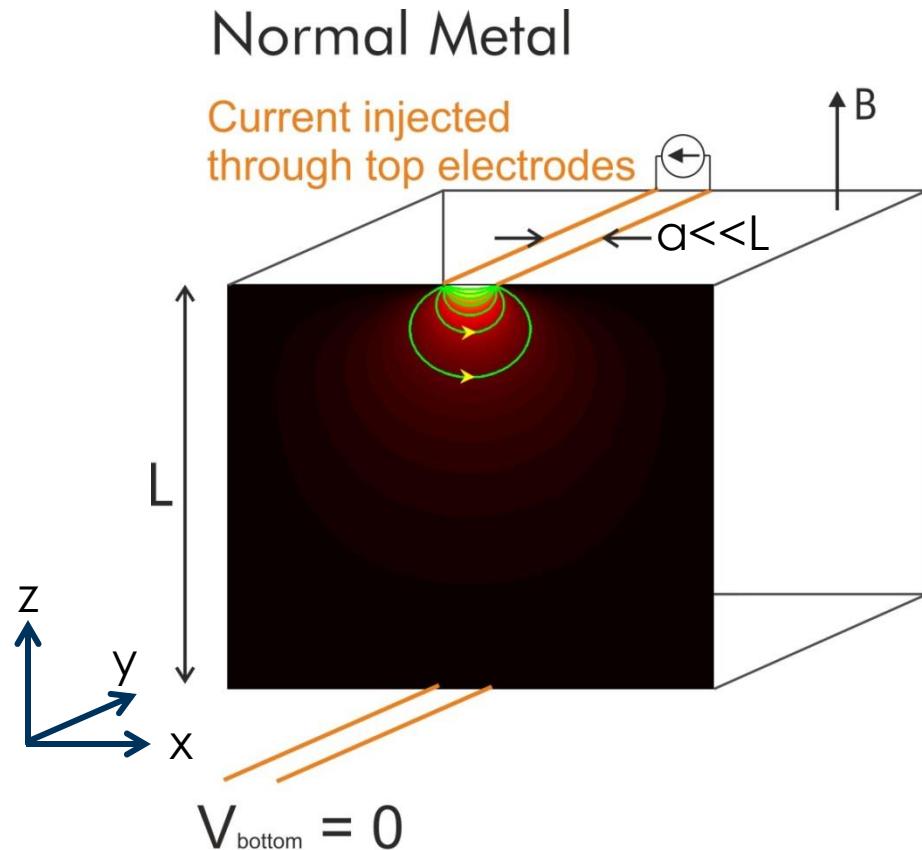


New quantum process in Dirac-SM Cd_3As_2 nanodevices



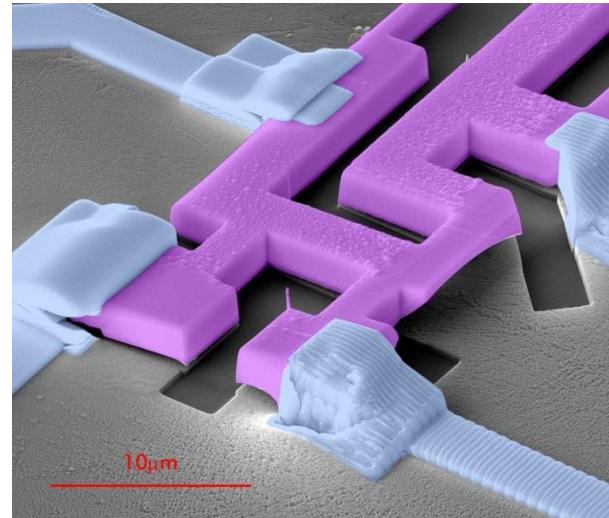
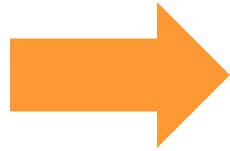
P.J.W. Moll et al., Nature 535, 266–270 (2016)

Semi-classical effects: Currents at a distance



Baum, Berg, Parameswaran, Stern. Phys. Rev. X 5, 041046
(2015)

FIB Sample Preparation Structure Milling

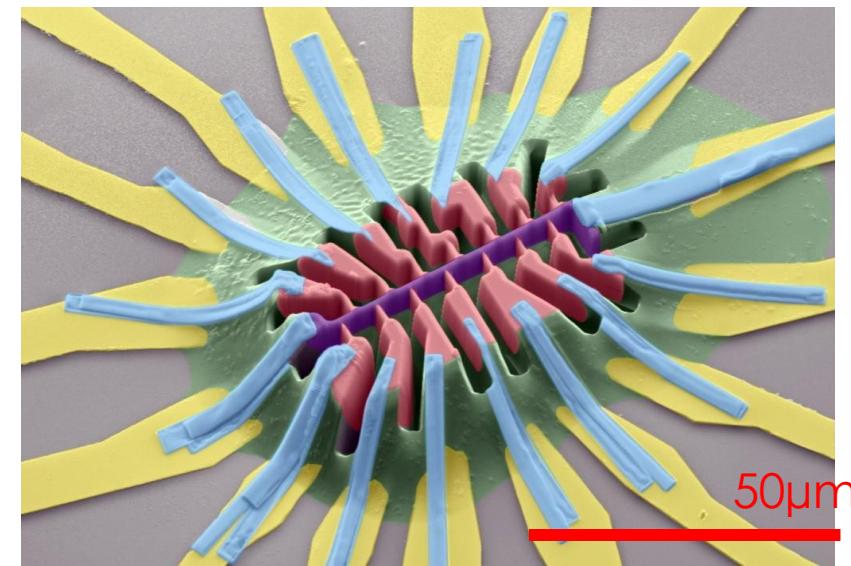
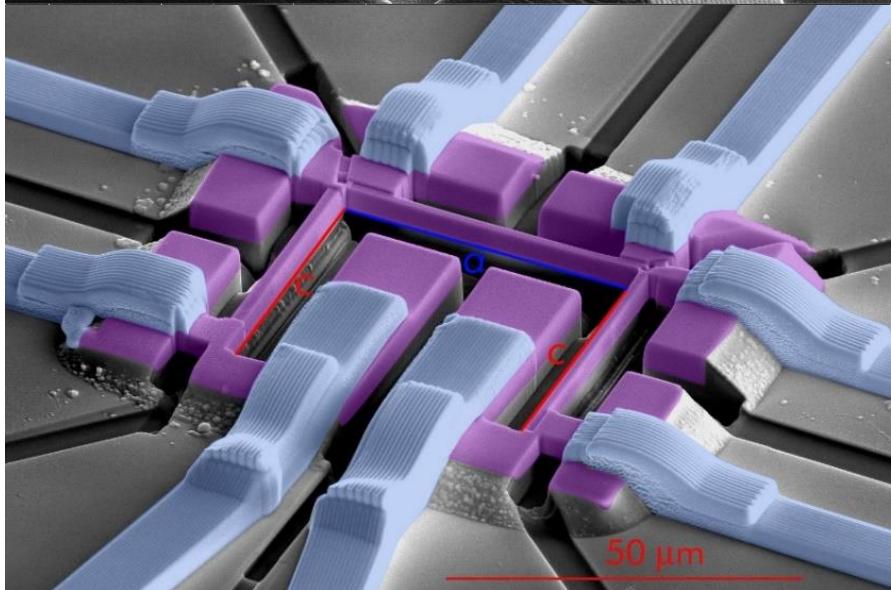
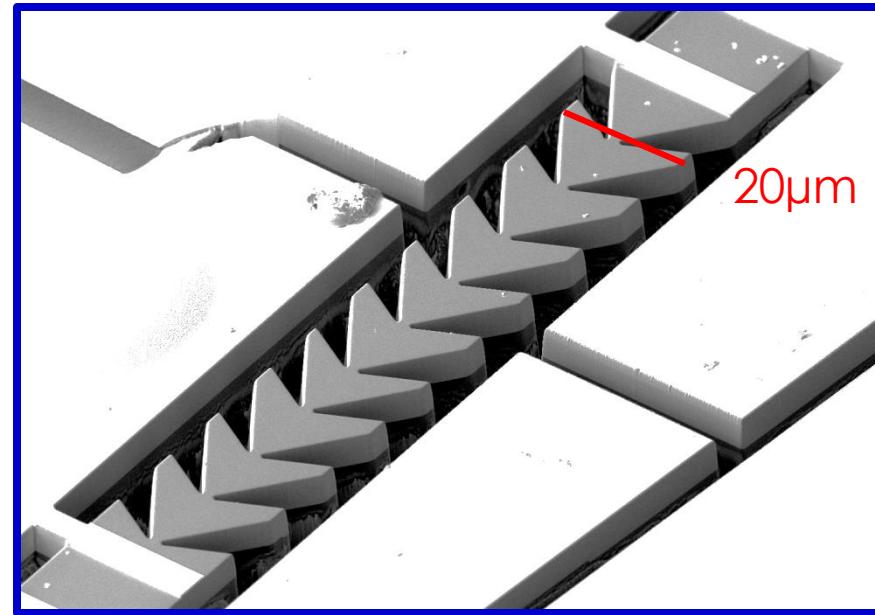
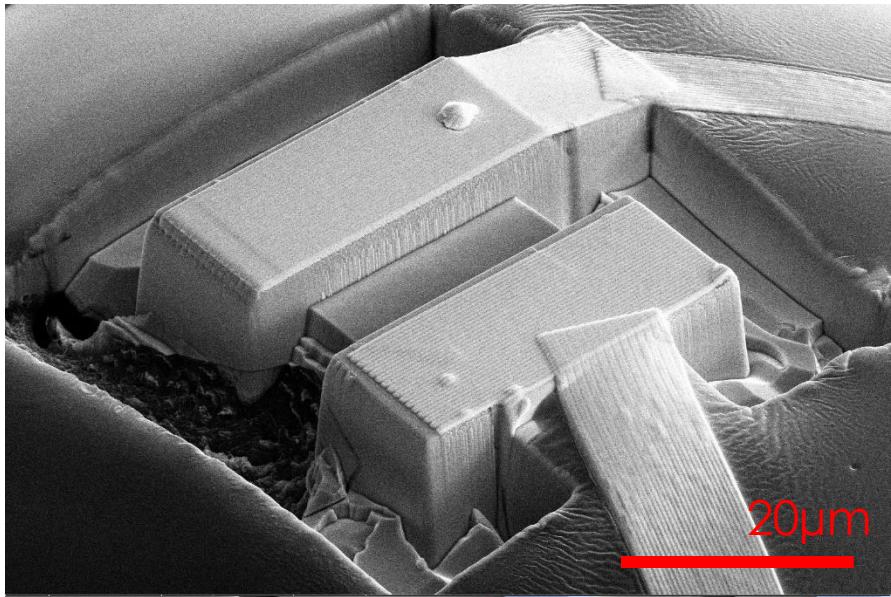


Start from **bulk** material...

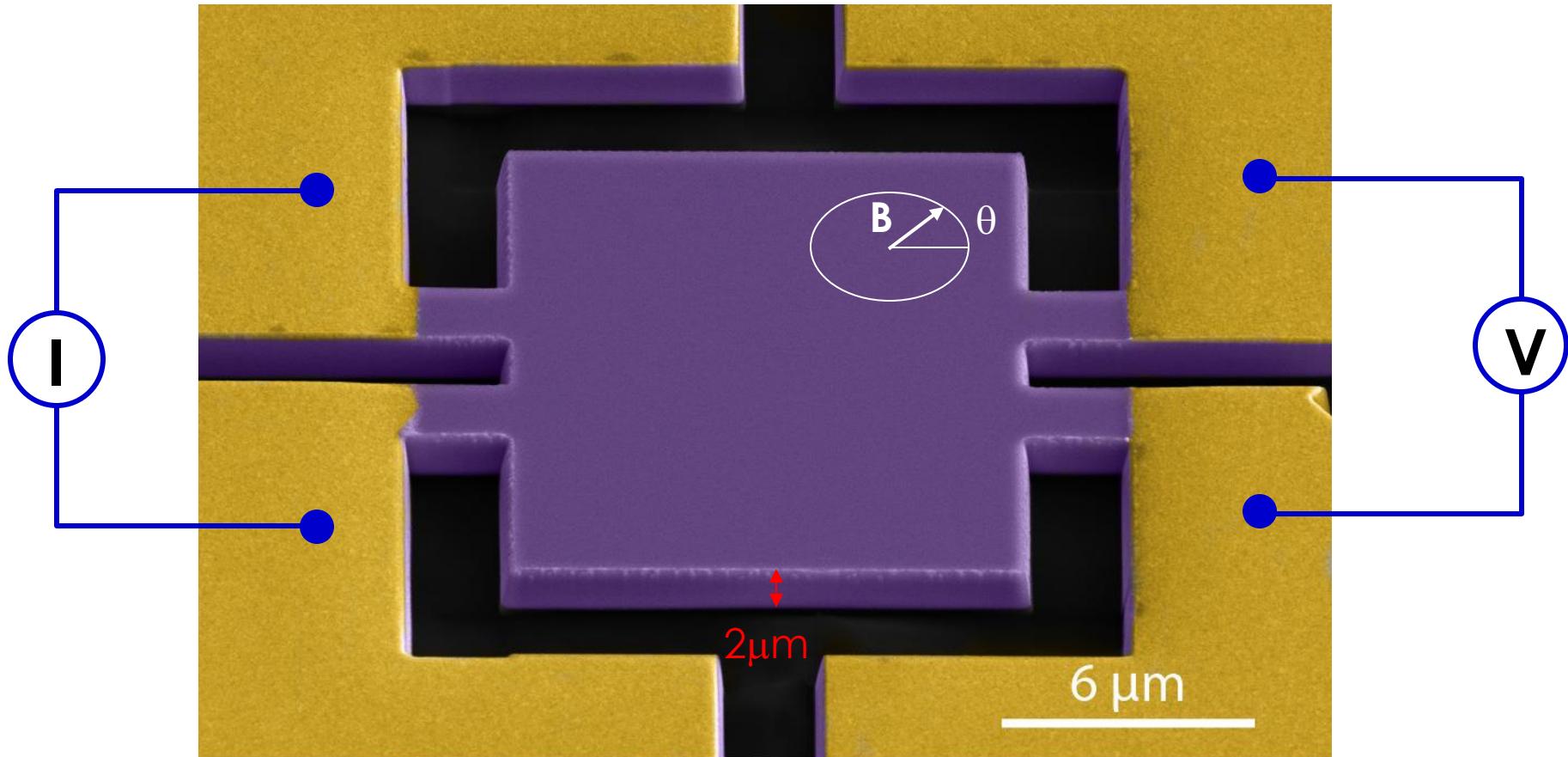
... and turn it into a
microstructure



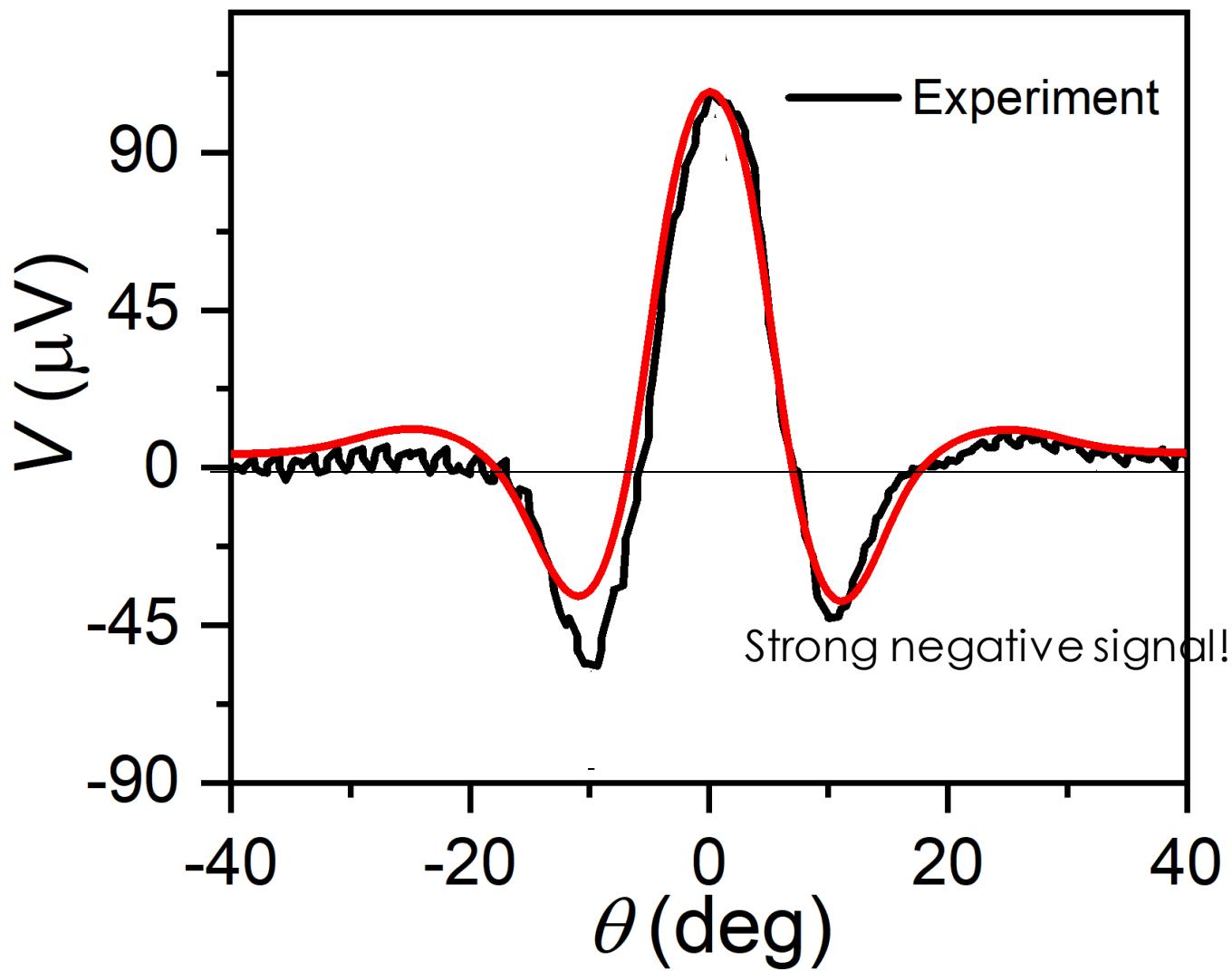
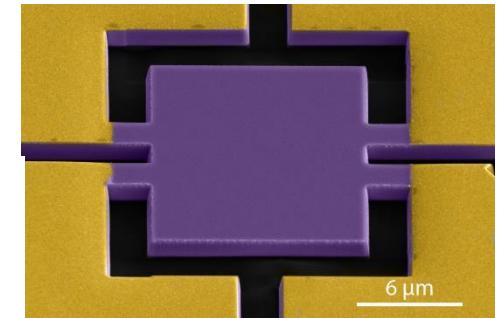
Focused Ion Beam microfabrication



Non-local transport in Cd_3As_2



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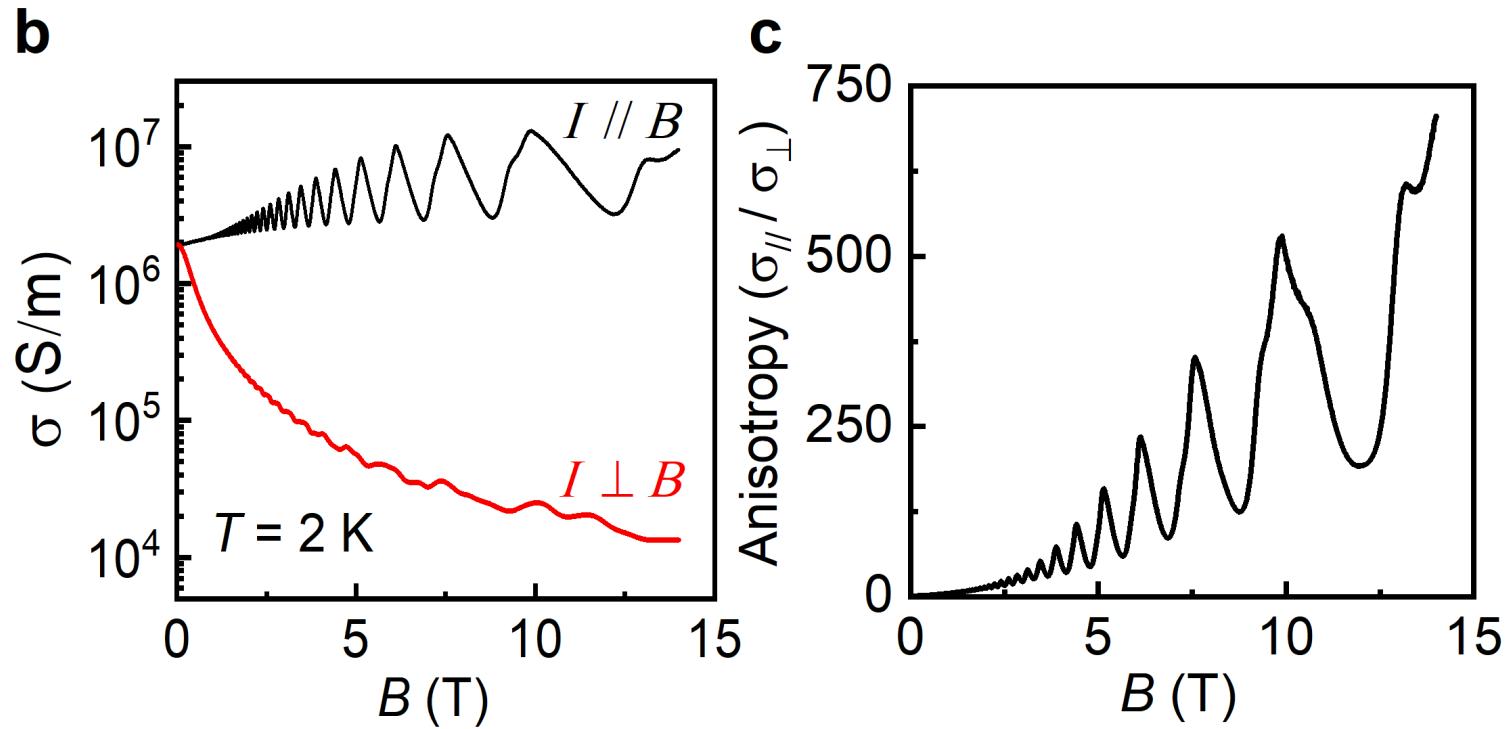


Beware of semiclassics!

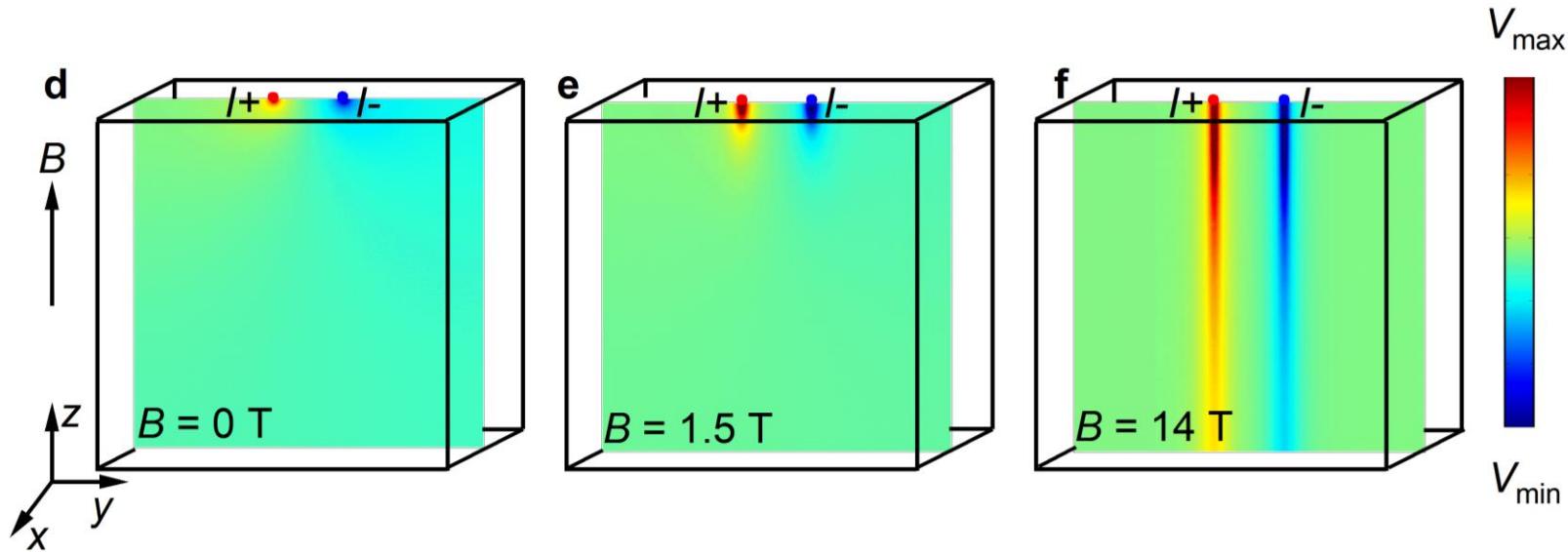
Huge field-induced anisotropy + large Hall effect

Zero field: isotropic metal

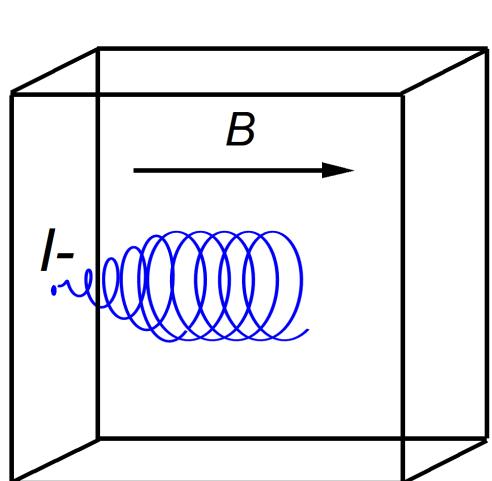
14T: conducts >700 times better along field than perpendicular



Current jets in high fields

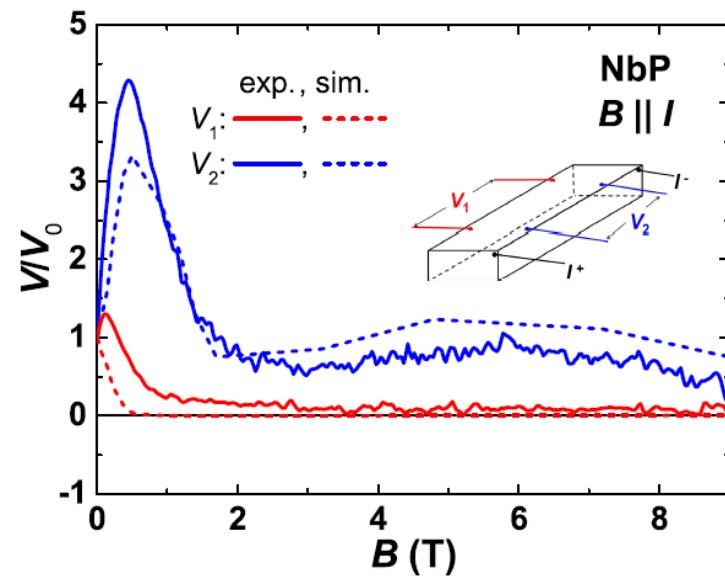
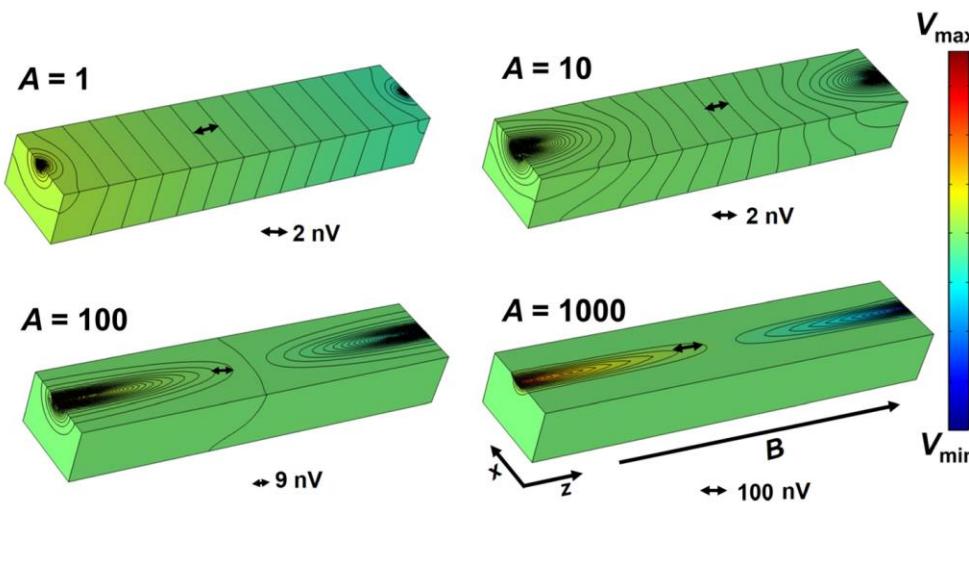


- Current beams form along the magnetic field
- Range well beyond mean-free-path



Current jetting

Current jetting has plagued high-mobility, low carrier density semi-metals for decades

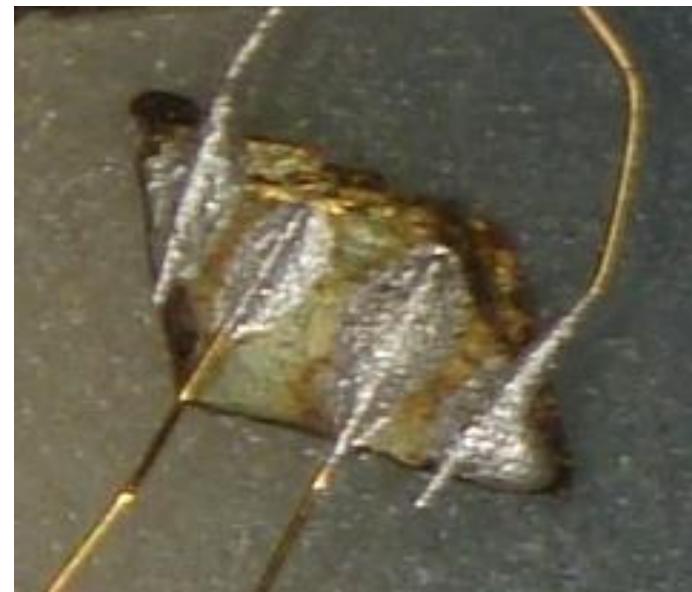
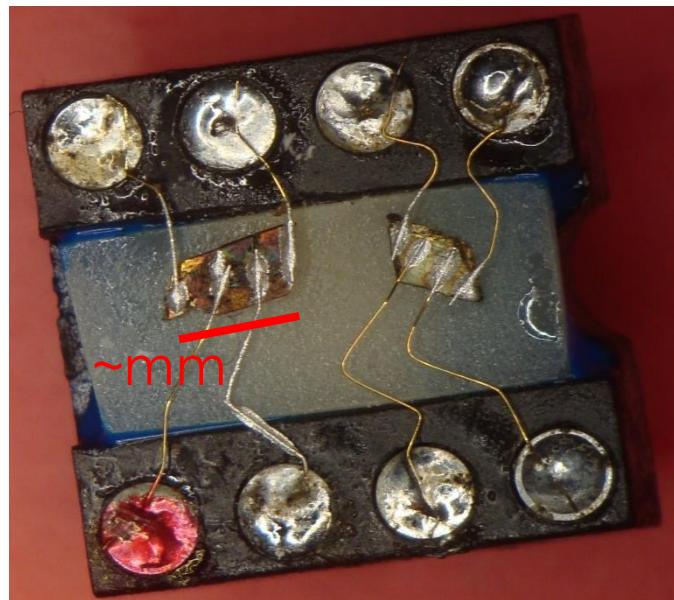


New focus due to negative magnetoresistance expectations due to chiral anomalies

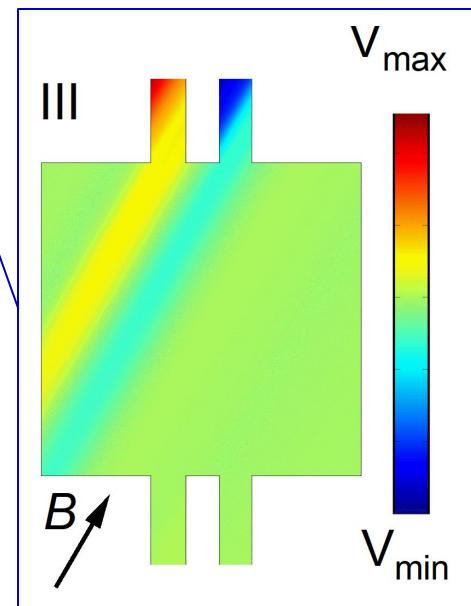
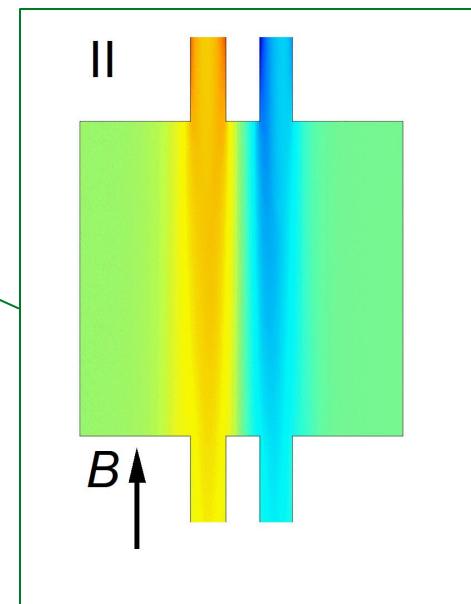
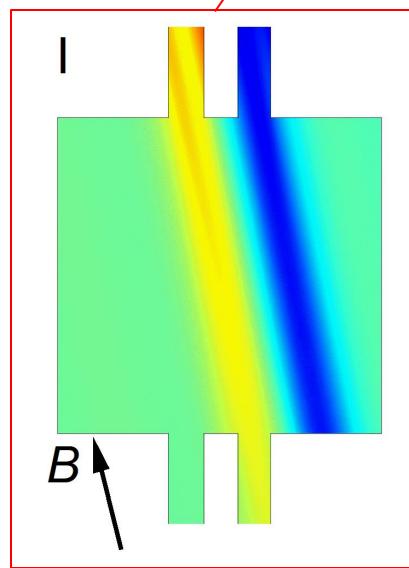
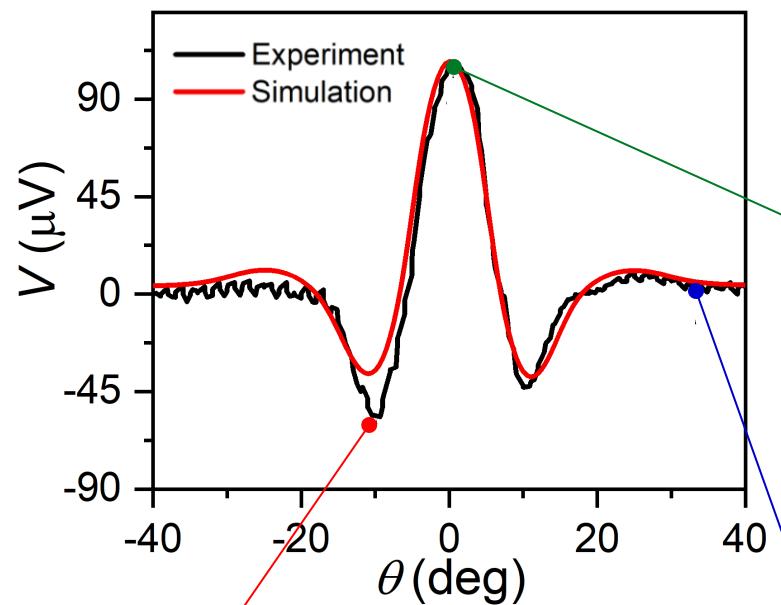
R. Reis et al., NJP 18:085006 (2016)

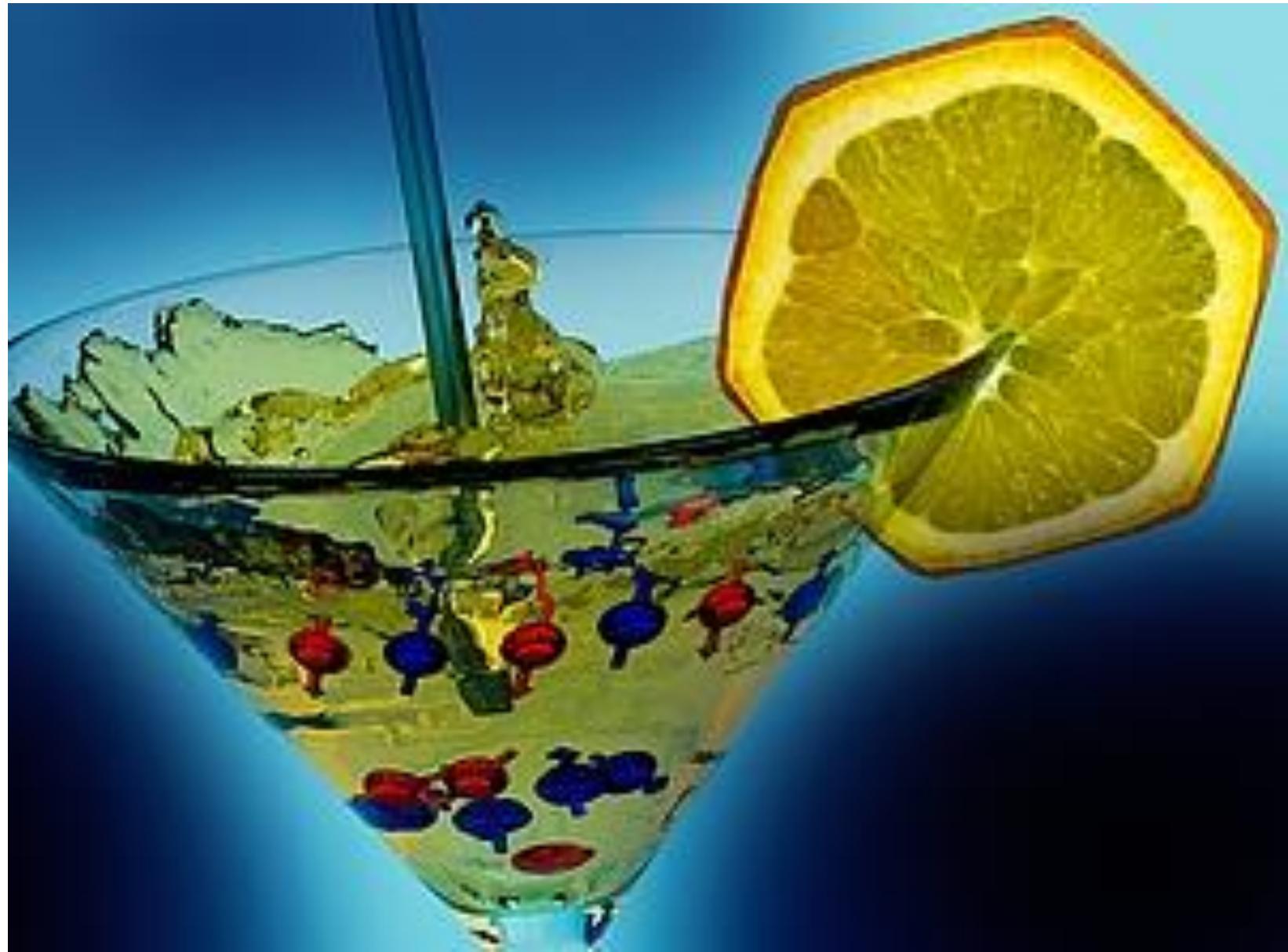
Nielsen & Ninomiya, Phys. Lett. B 130, 389-396 (1983)

Usually imperfect contacts

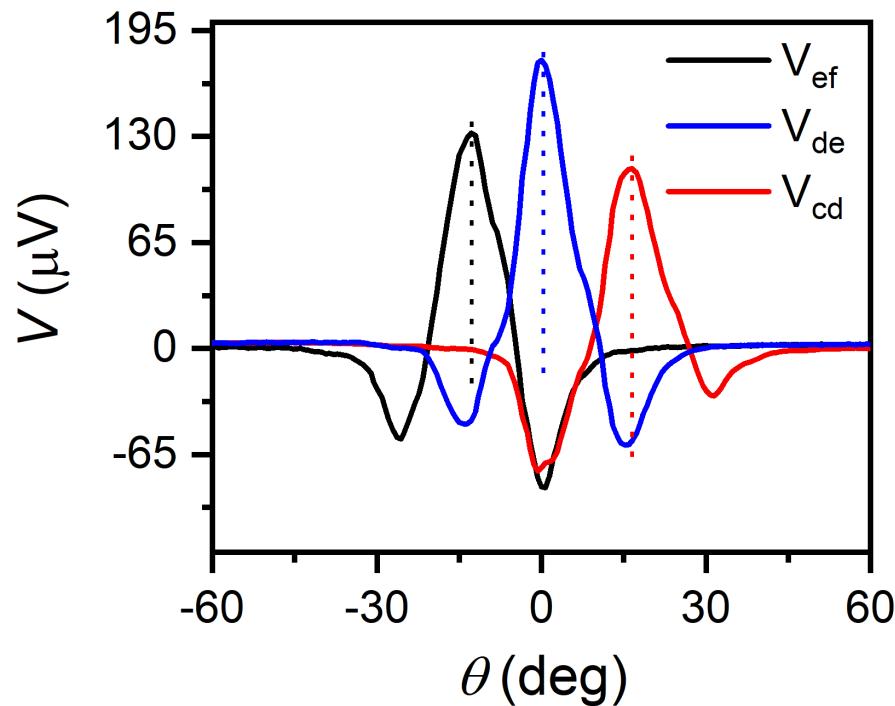
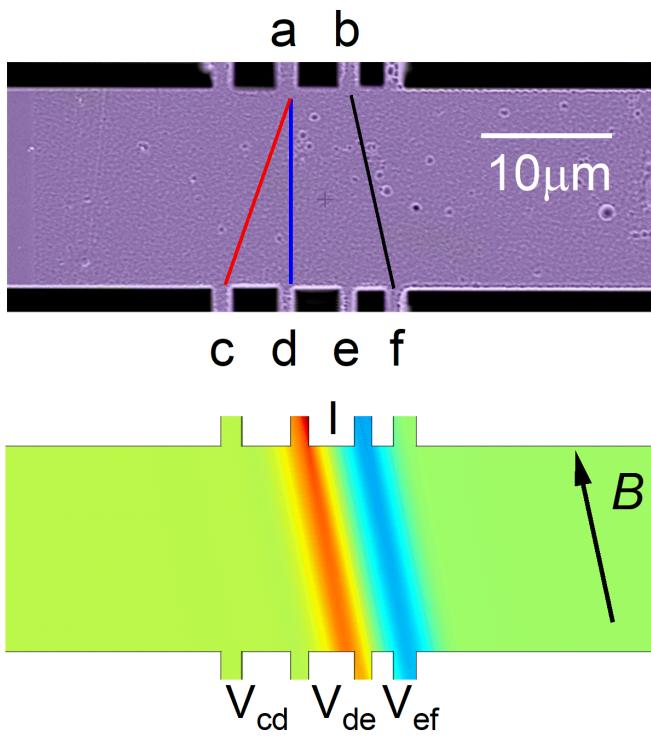


FIB machining allows microscopic control over current jet





Current jetting devices



Controlled generation of electron beams in a solid

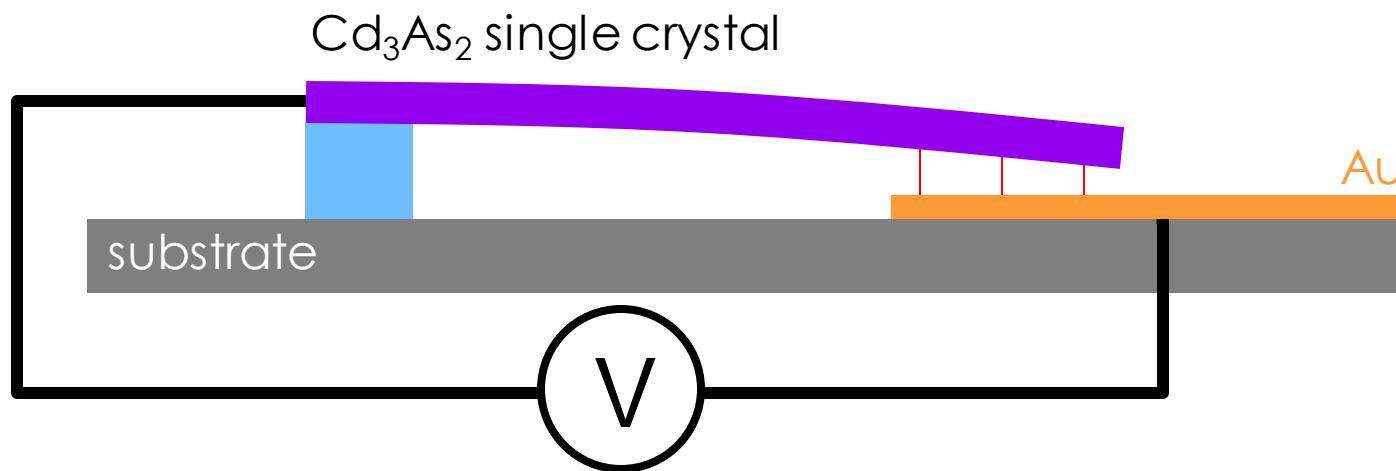
- Beams steered by magnetic field
- Long ranged non-local signal propagation (neuromorphic applications)
- Solid-state multiplexing

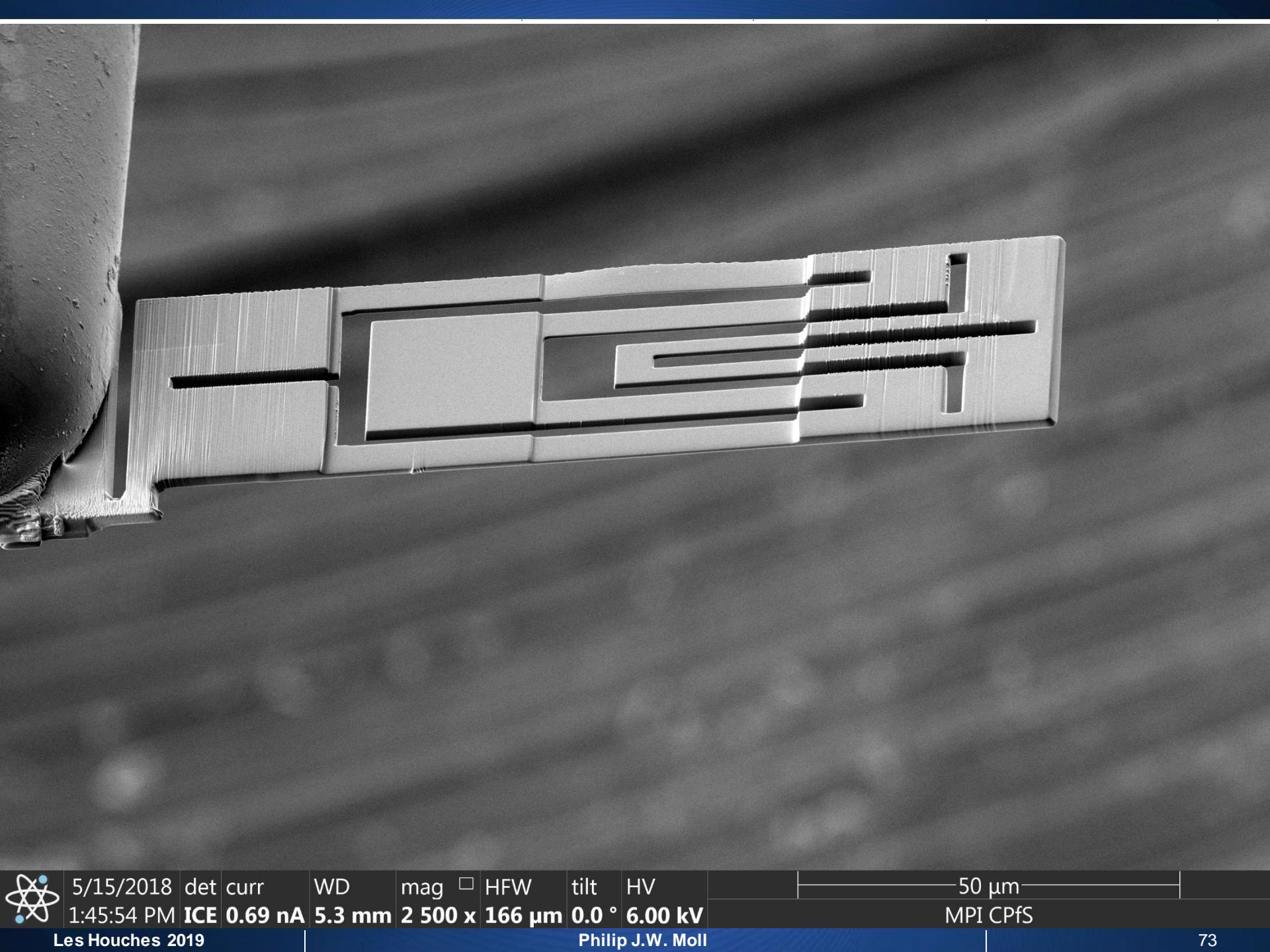
X. Huang et al., on arXiv 2019

Fun Intermezzo (time permitting)

Manipulating quantum states

Approach: Cantilever bending mode





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MPI CPfS

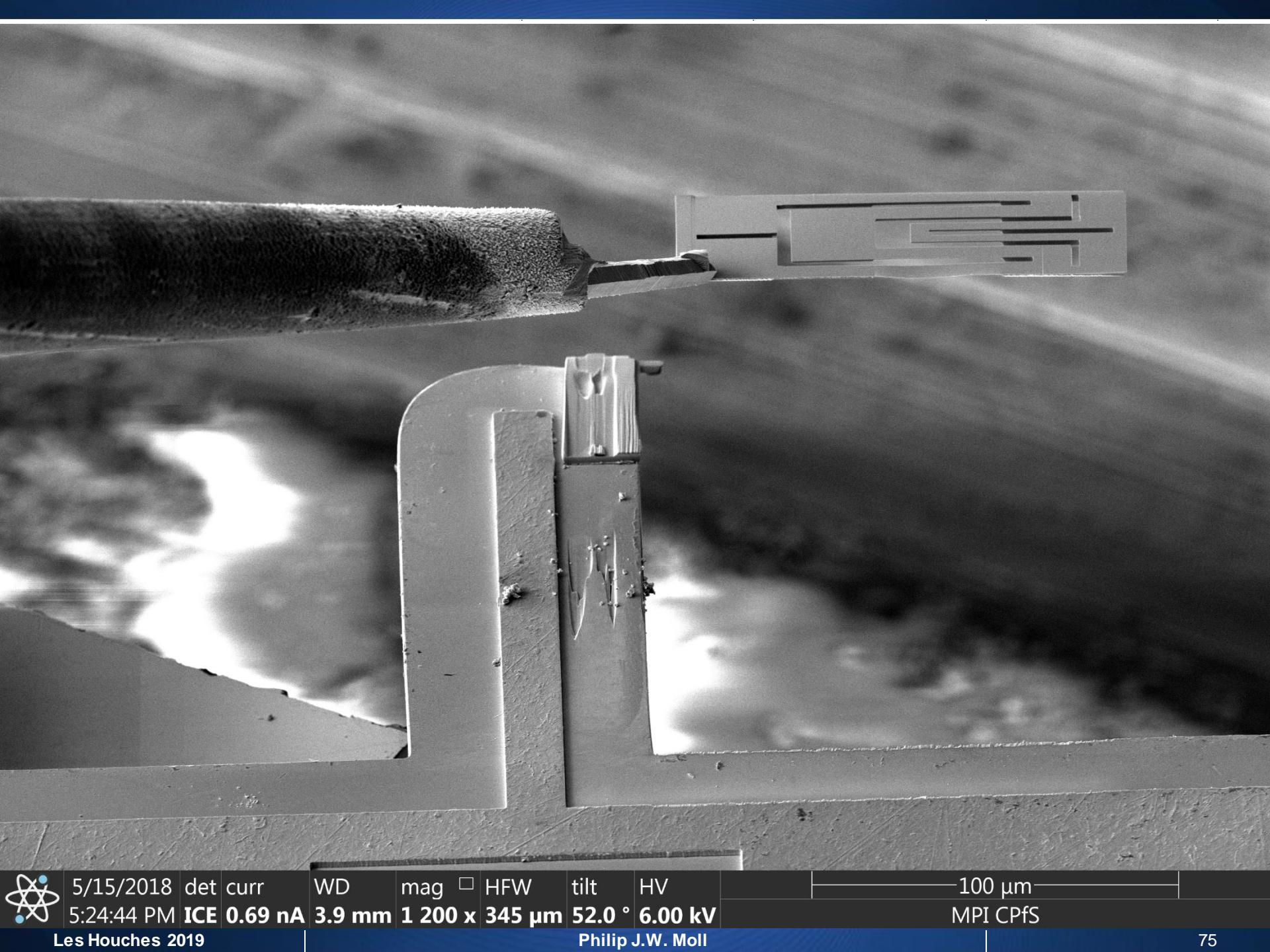
Micromanipulator



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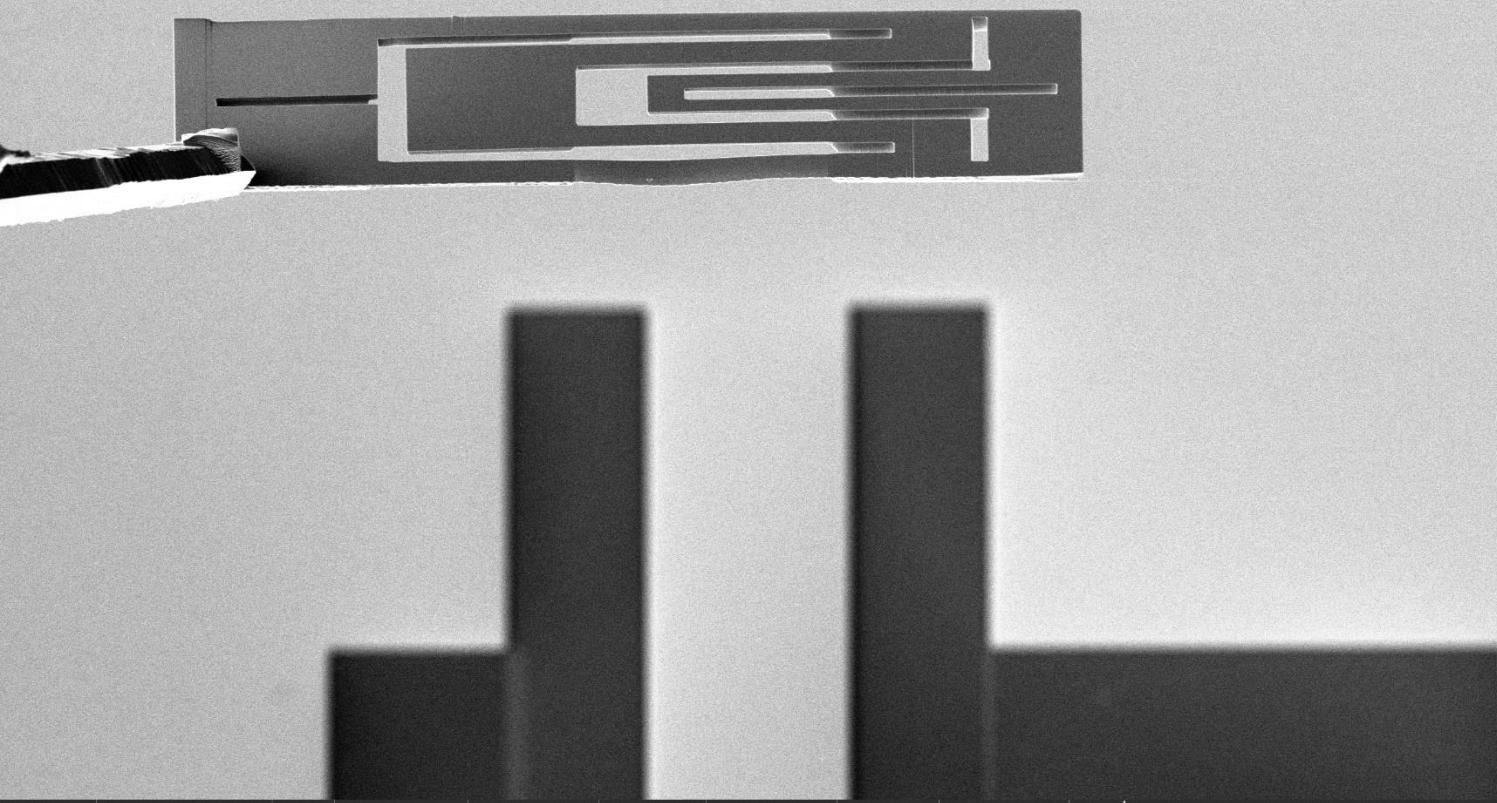
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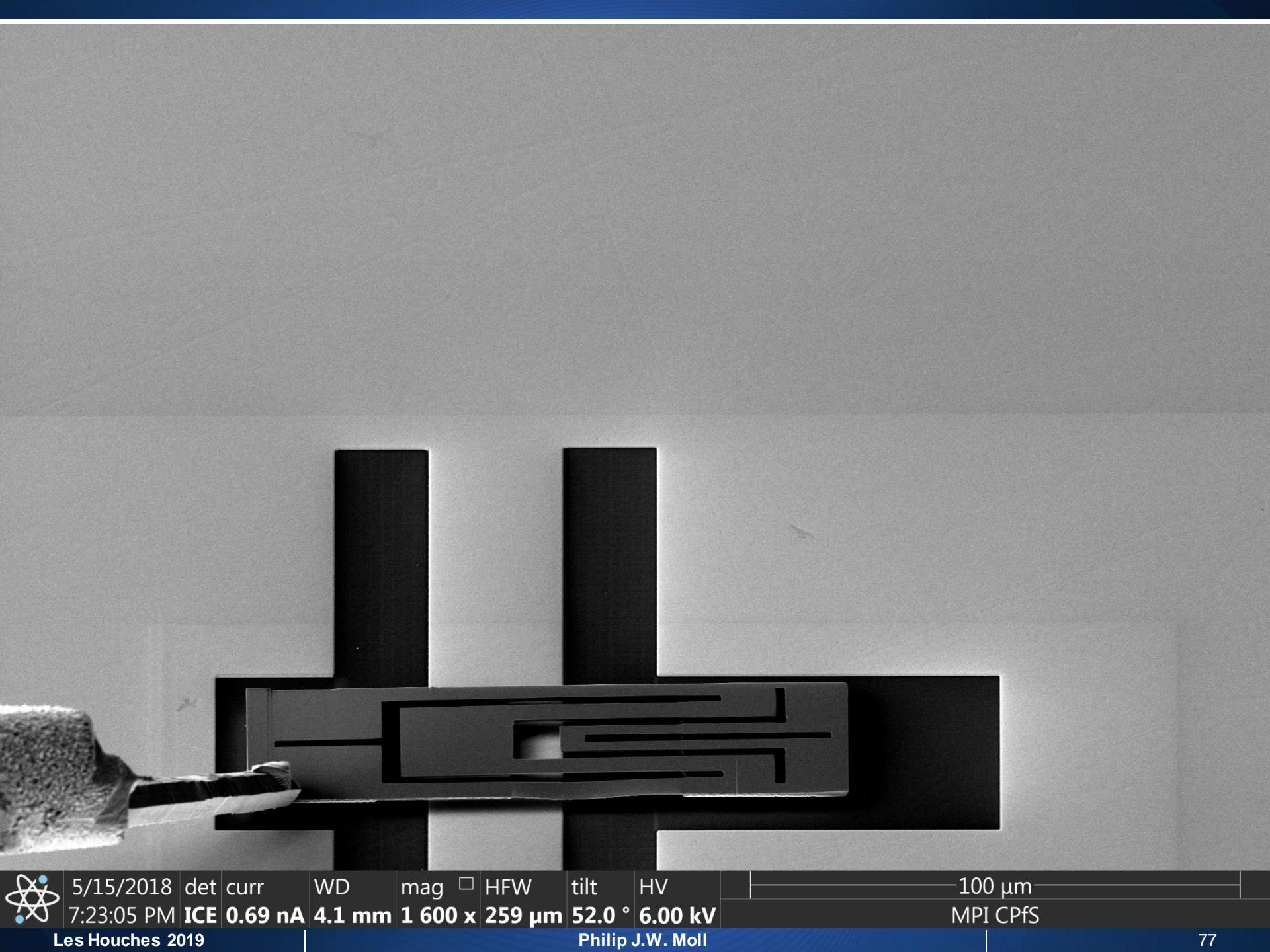
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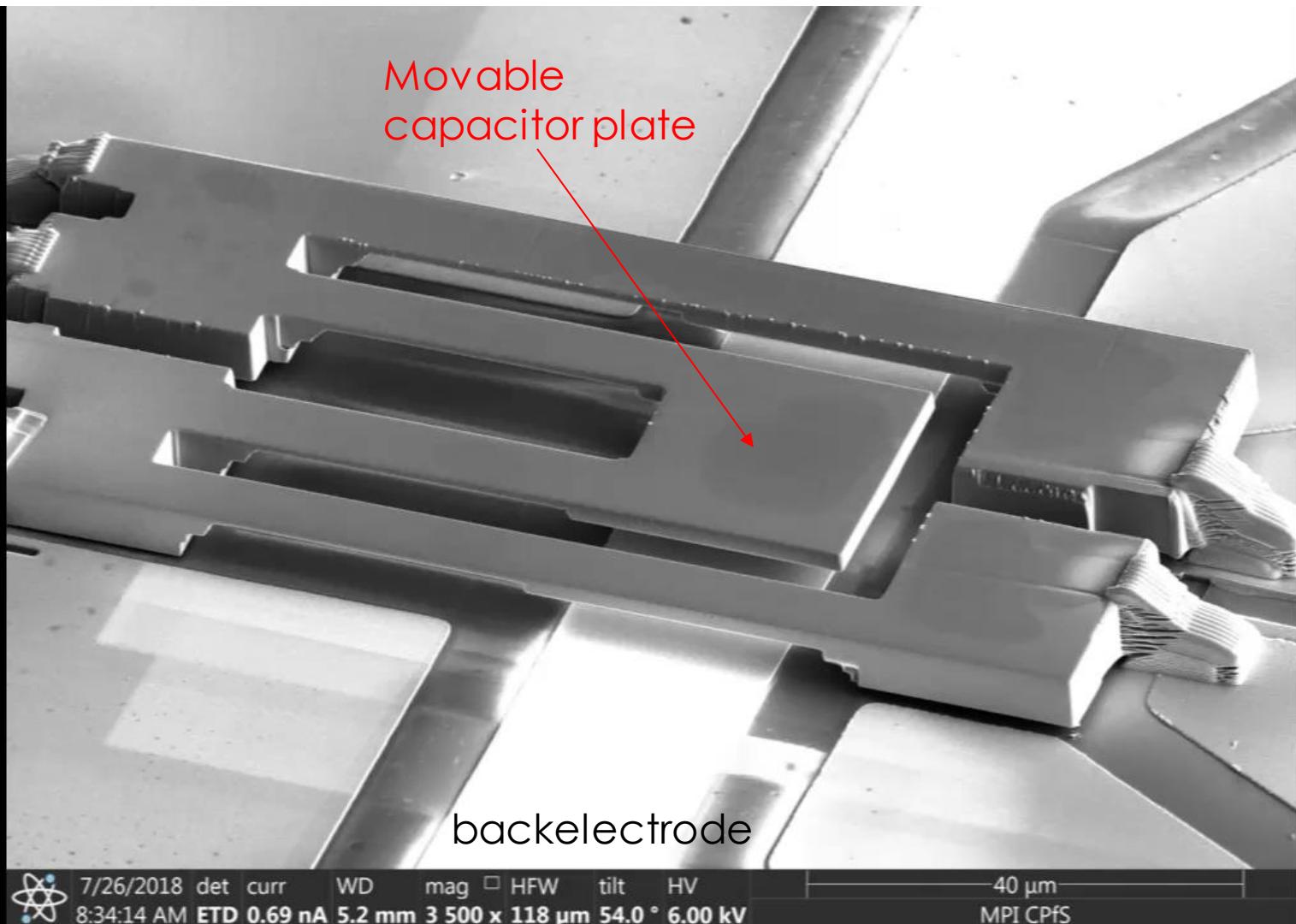
4.1 mm

1 600 x 259 μm

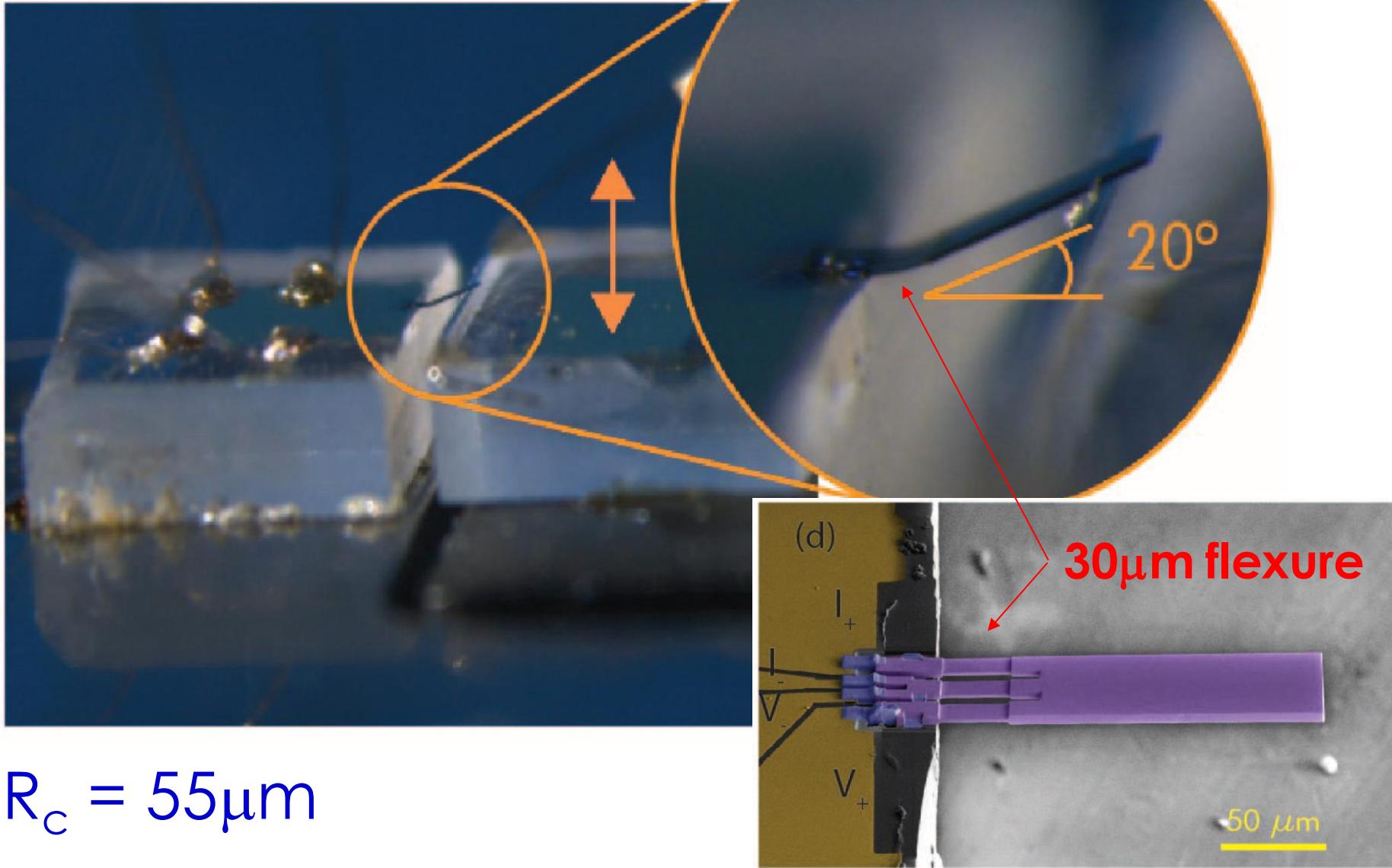
52.0 ° 6.00 kV

MPI CPfS

Real Cd_3As_2 device in motion



Macroscopic bending



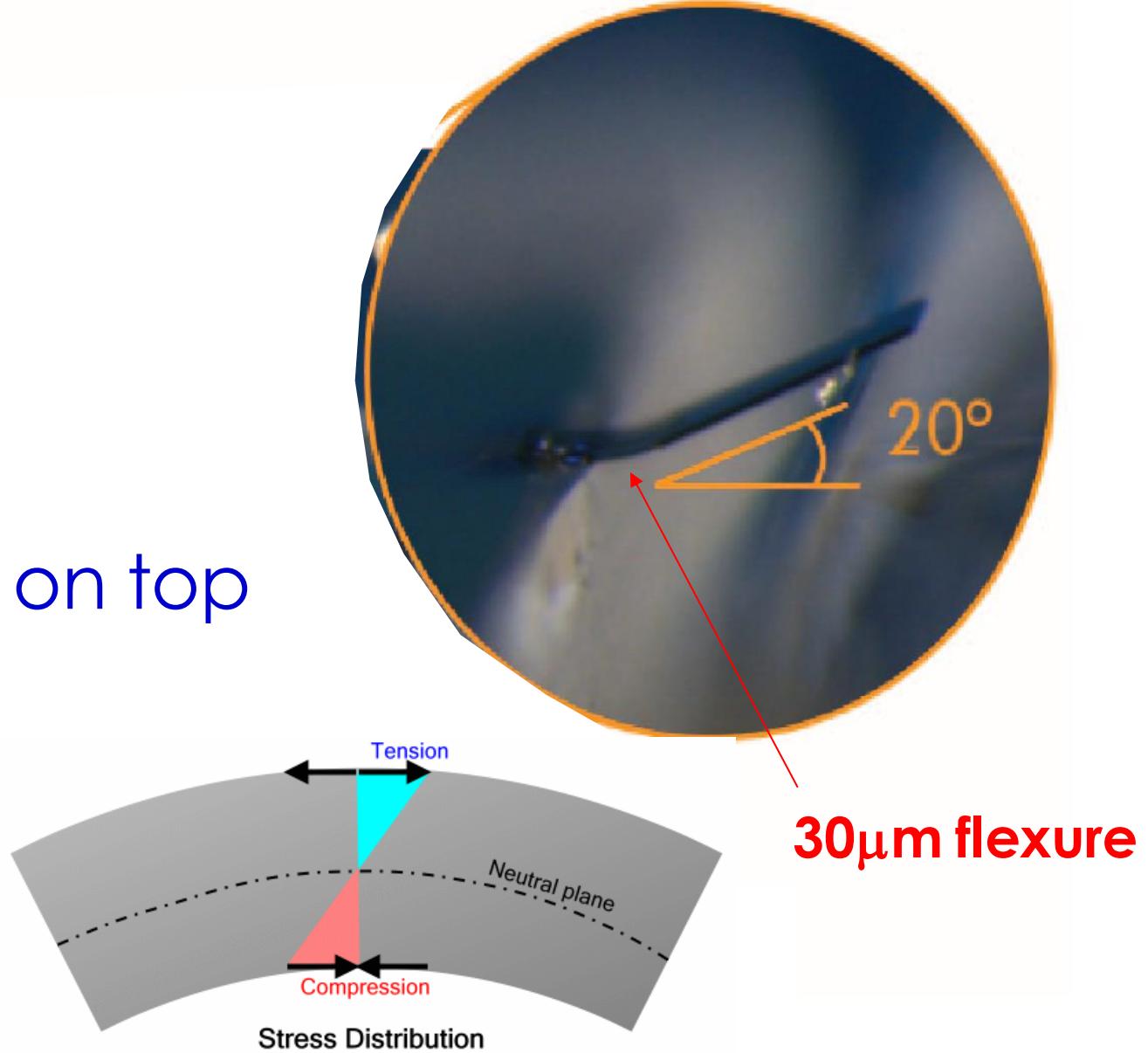
Estimate extreme bending parameters

$$R_c = 55\mu\text{m}$$

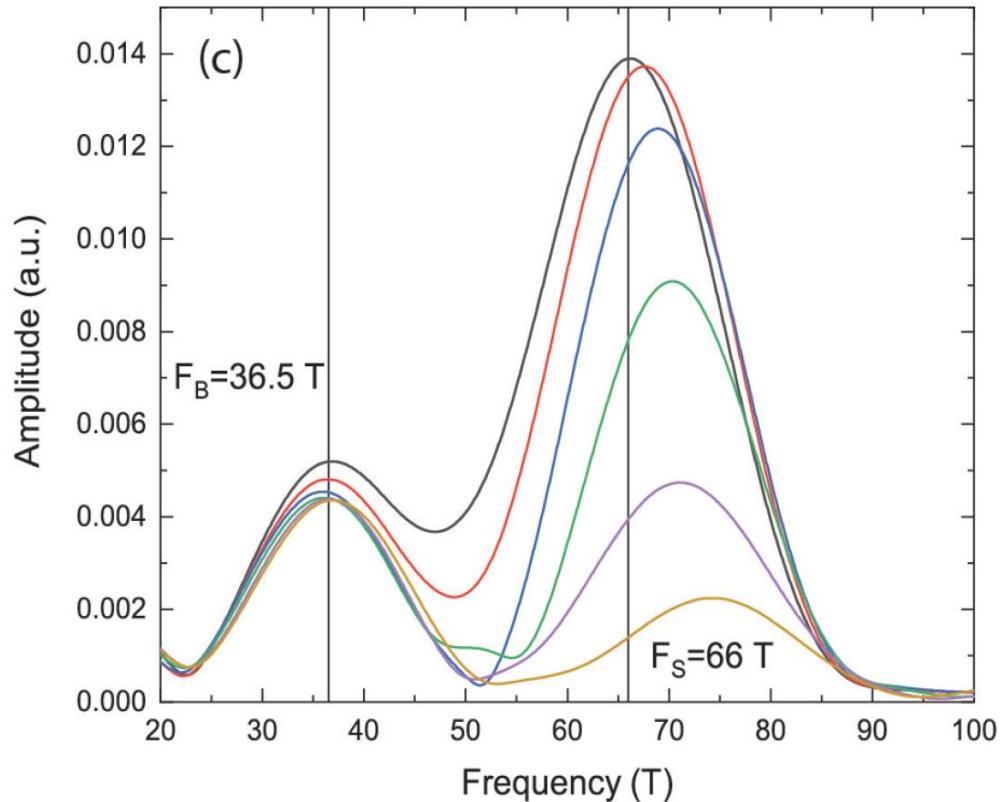
$$T=1\mu\text{m}$$

~1% strain on top

$$\sim 2\%/\mu\text{m}$$



Preliminary results



- Bulk peak does not shift
- Weyl orbit does not split
- Moves to higher frequencies

No signs of plastic deformation

$B_5 \sim 5\text{T}$ at maximal strain

**Novel
quantum
oscillations
in PdCoO_2**

Current jets on μm scale

**Higher
harmonics**

**Essentials
of quantum
oscillations**

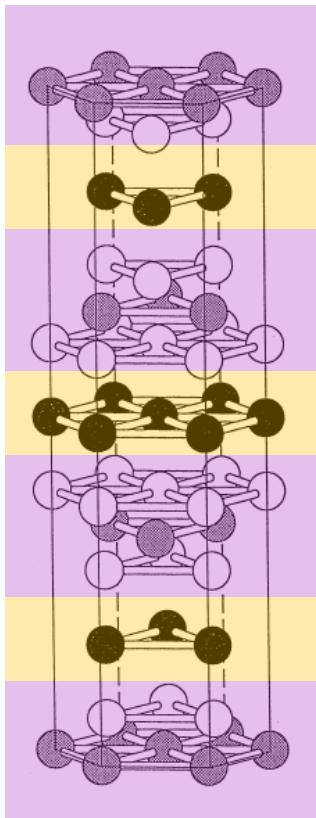
**Topological
semi-metals**



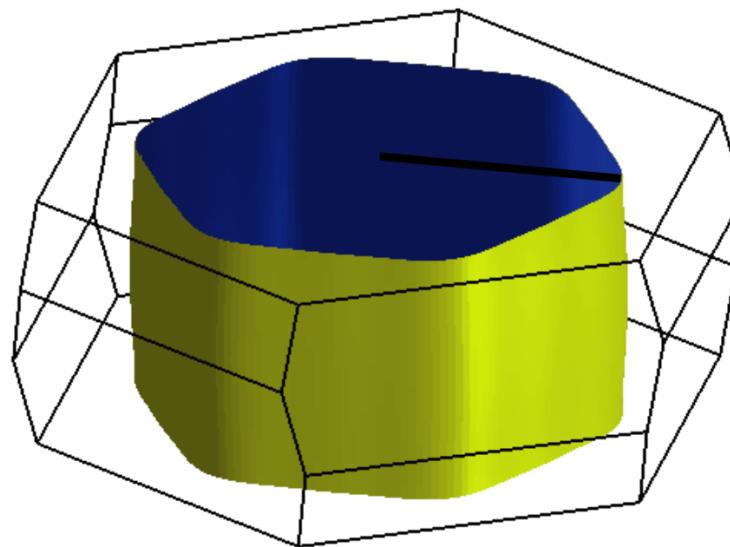
Key points:

- Surprises can happen in seemingly trivial, single-particle systems
- Novel Field-linear magnetoresistance oscillations in layered metals
- Quantum coherence over macroscopic distances possible

PdCoO₂: ultra-clean metal



Quasi-hexagonal Fermi surface



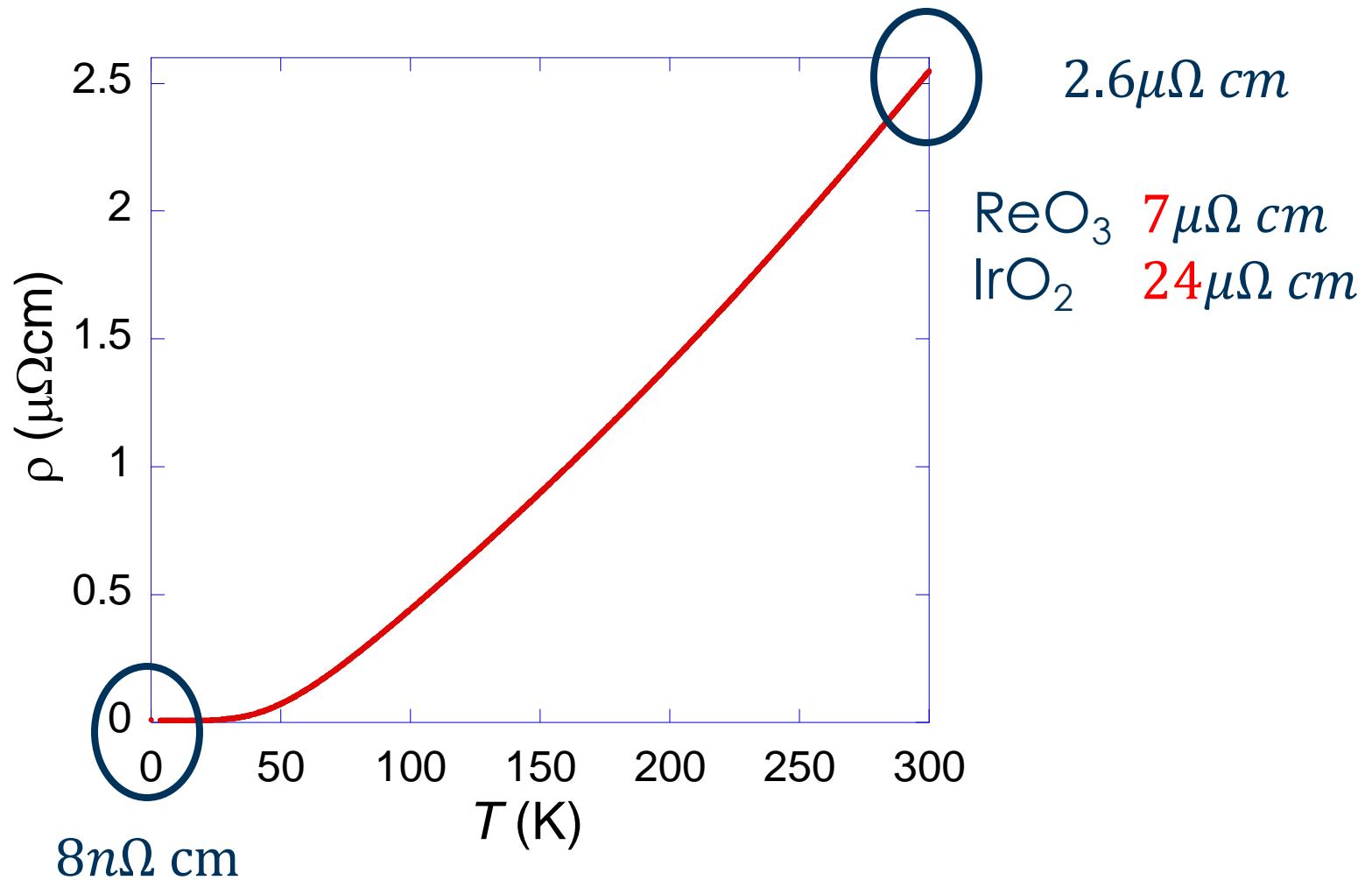
QO: C.W. Hicks et al., PRL **109**, 116401 (2012)
ARPES: H.J. Noh et al., PRL **102**, 256404 (2009)

$\rho = 2.6 \mu\Omega \text{ cm}$ vs. $1.7 \mu\Omega \text{ cm}$ in Cu (@ 300K)
... but Cu has 3 times more charge carriers!

ReO₃ $7 \mu\Omega \text{ cm}$
IrO₂ $24 \mu\Omega \text{ cm}$

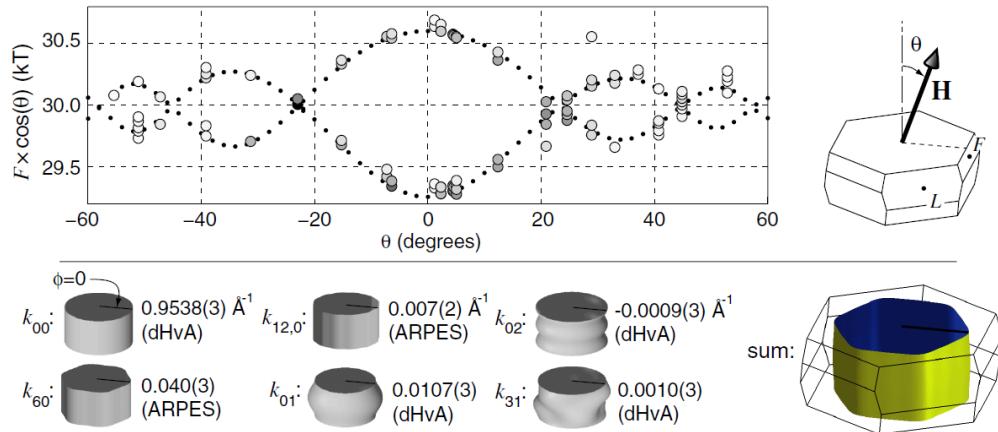
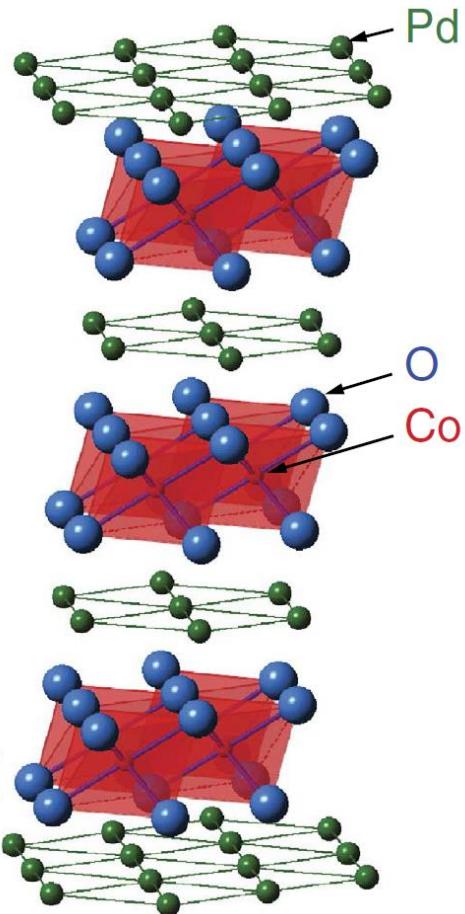
Very long mean free path : $l \sim 20 \mu\text{m}$ (@2K)

PdCoO₂: Very long mean free path



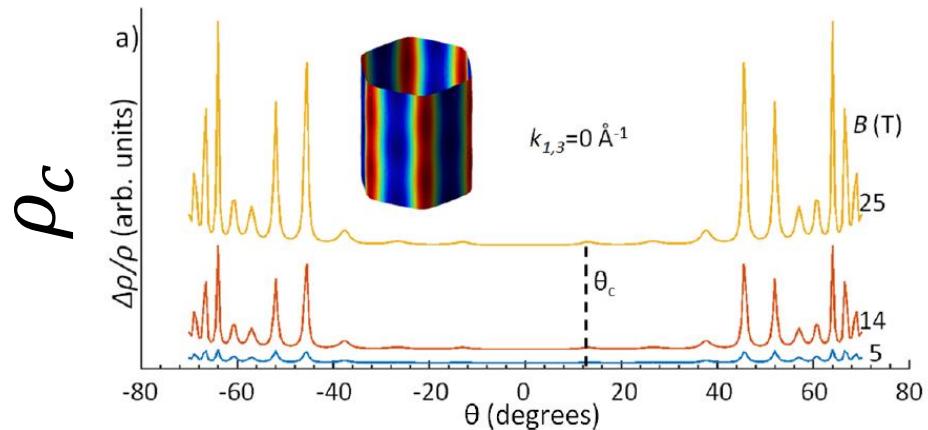
PdCoO₂ is a coherent layered metal

Quantum oscillations show warped cylinder



C.W. Hicks et al., PRL 109, 116401 (2012)

Well supported by AMRO experiments



J.C.A. Prentice et al., Phys. Rev. B 93, 245105 (2016)

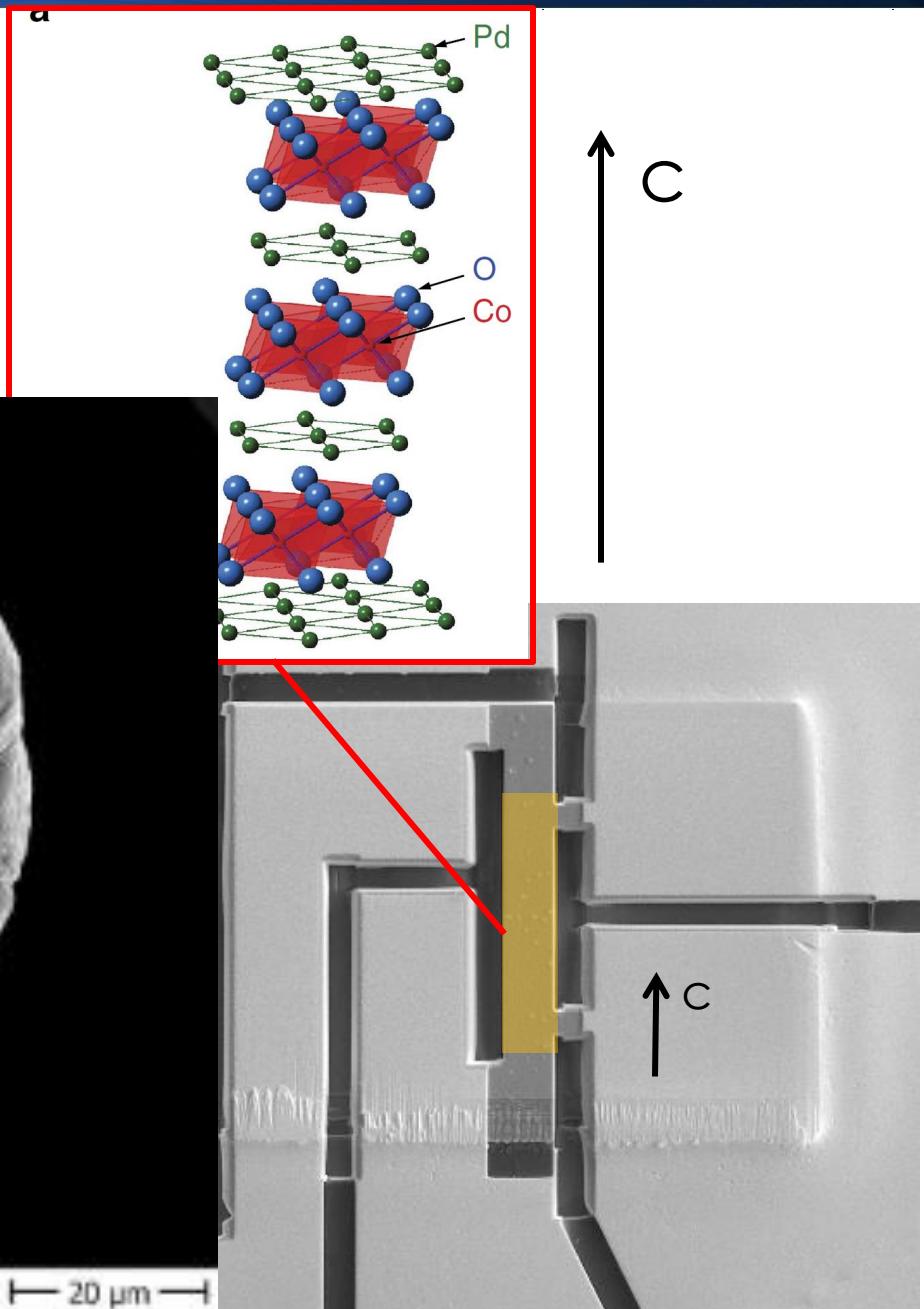
Out-of-plane transport

Tardigrade on same scale

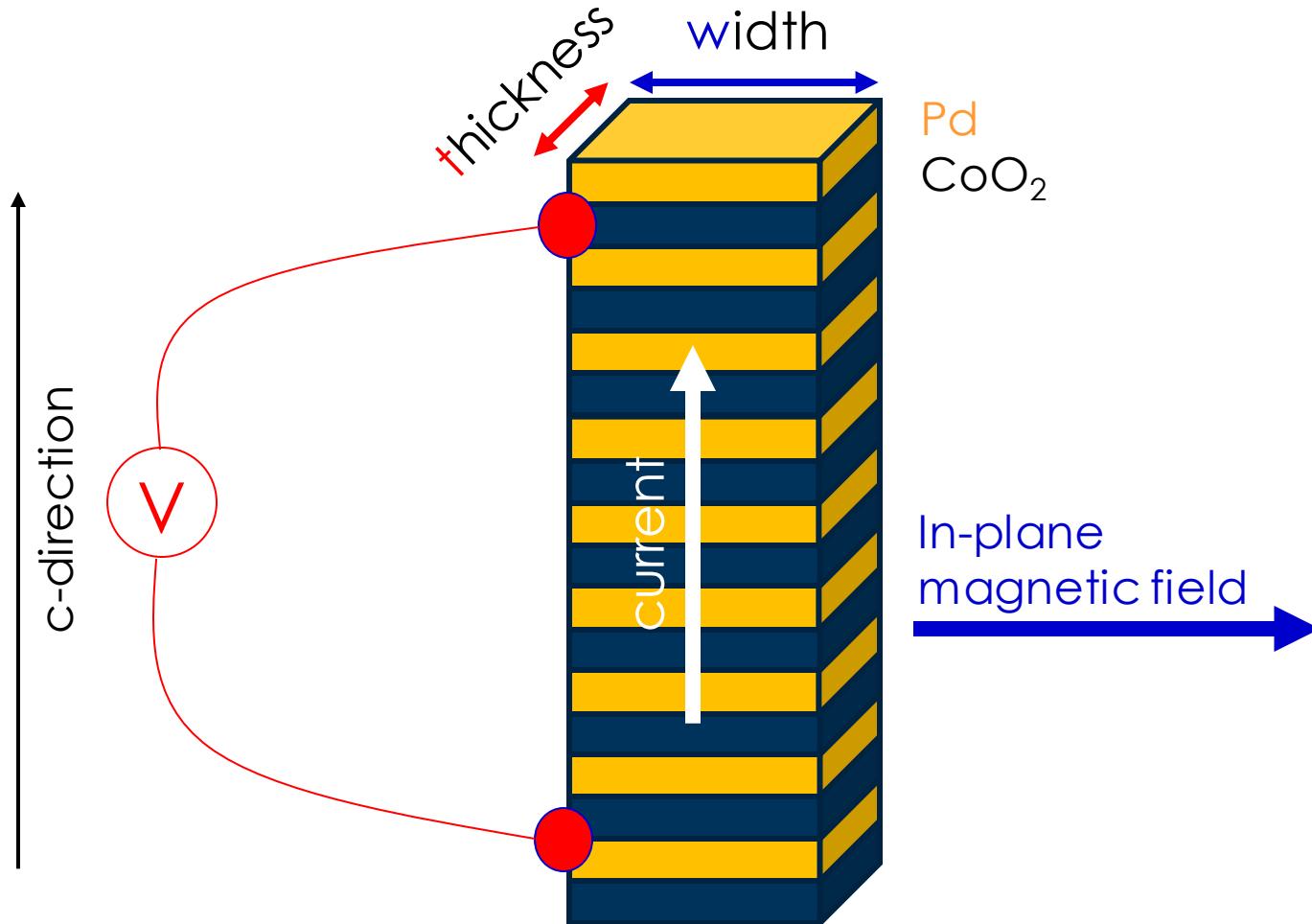


HV: 10 kV, Mag: 900x,

20 μ m

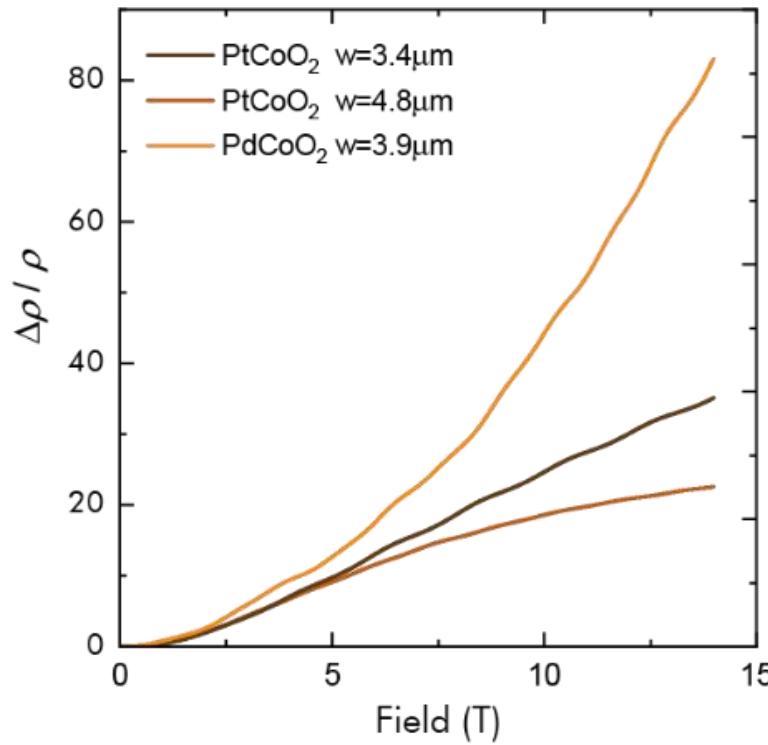


The experimental configuration



- Four-probe resistance of FIB-fabricated, c-aligned pillars
- In-plane magnetic field

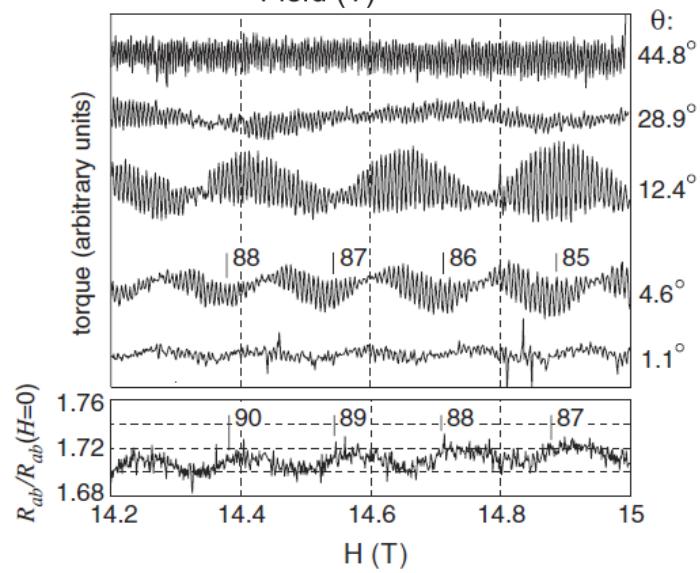
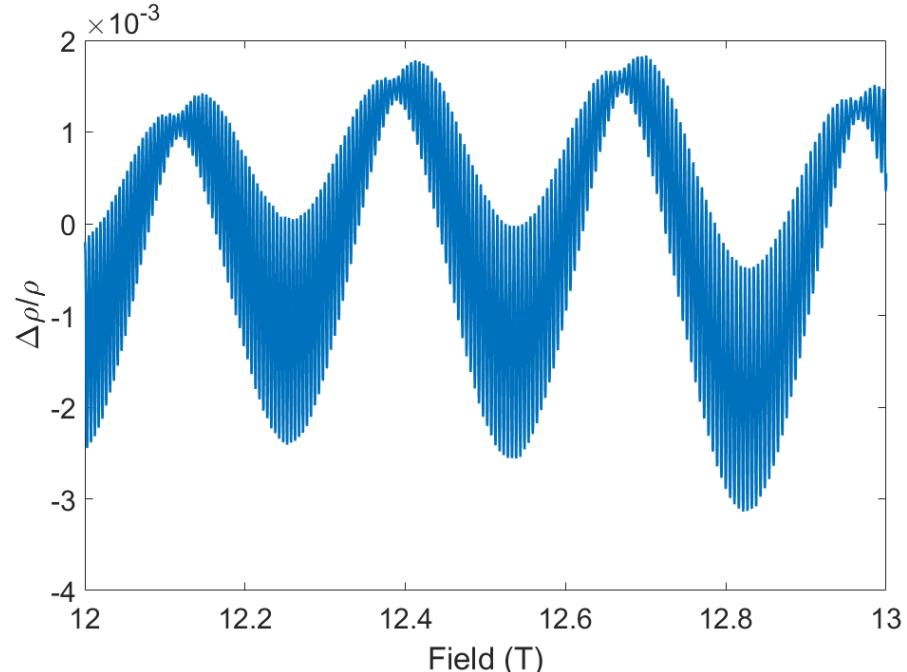
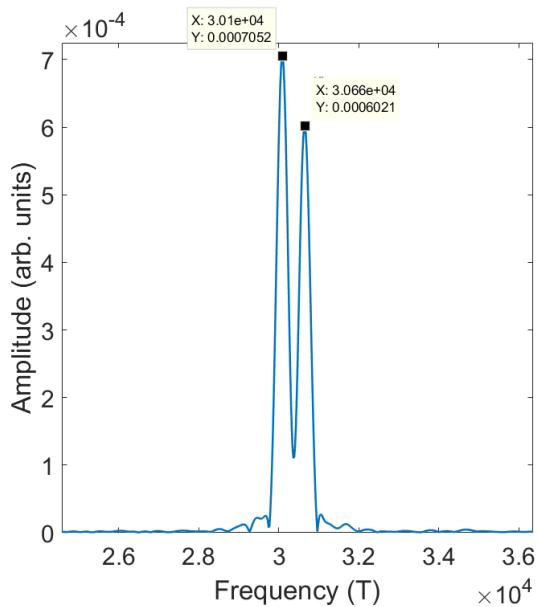
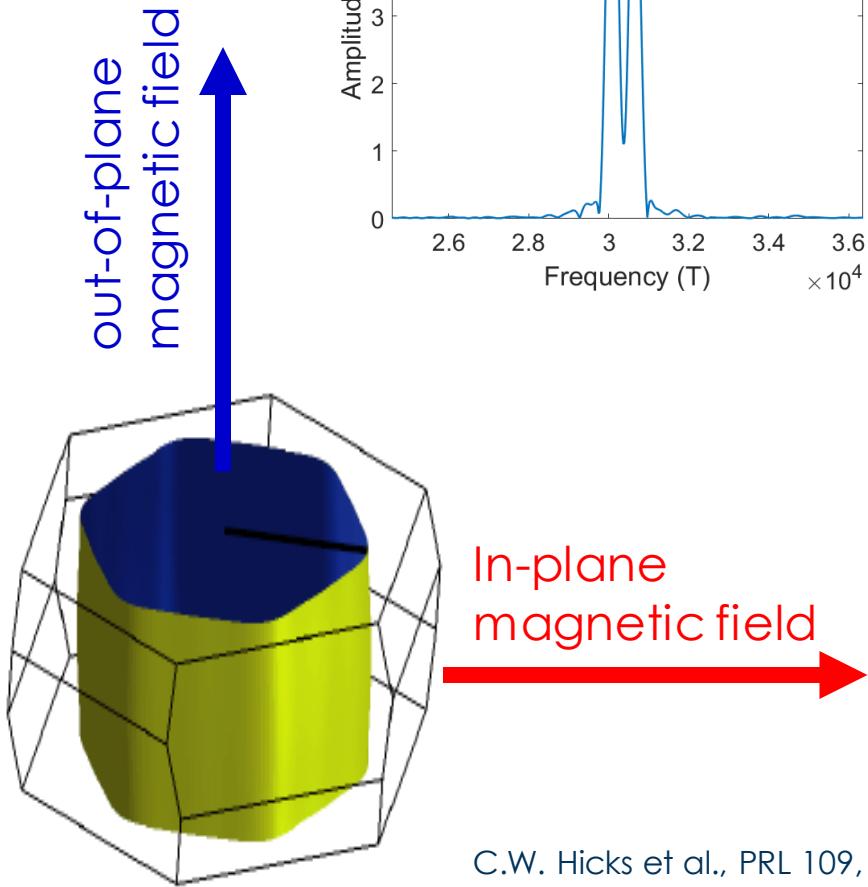
Magnetoresistance oscillations



In-plane
magnetic field

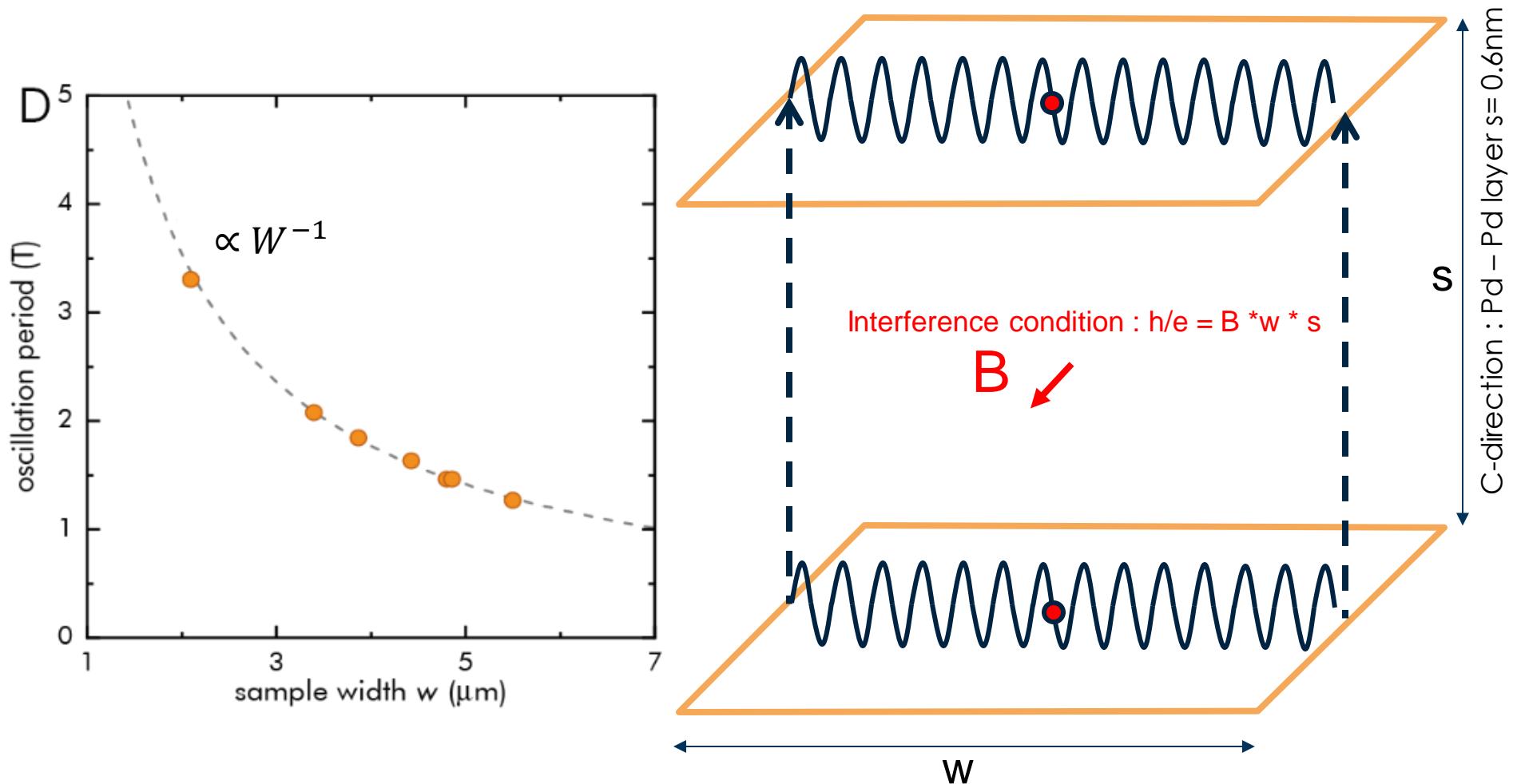
- Oscillations ontop of the c-direction magnetoresistance
- Periodic in B (not $1/B$)
- Not material specific, but sample specific

NOT Shubnikov-de Haas



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Flux physics in a single crystal

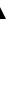


Period is given by one flux quantum $\Phi_0 = h/e$ in a box defined by the micron-sized width of the device, w , and the atomic Pd-Pd distance, $s=0.6$

This is the real aspect ratio of the box

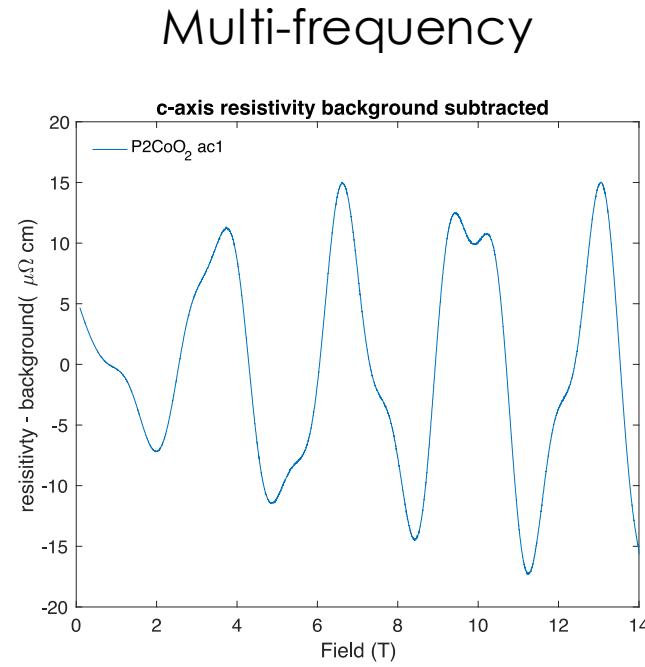
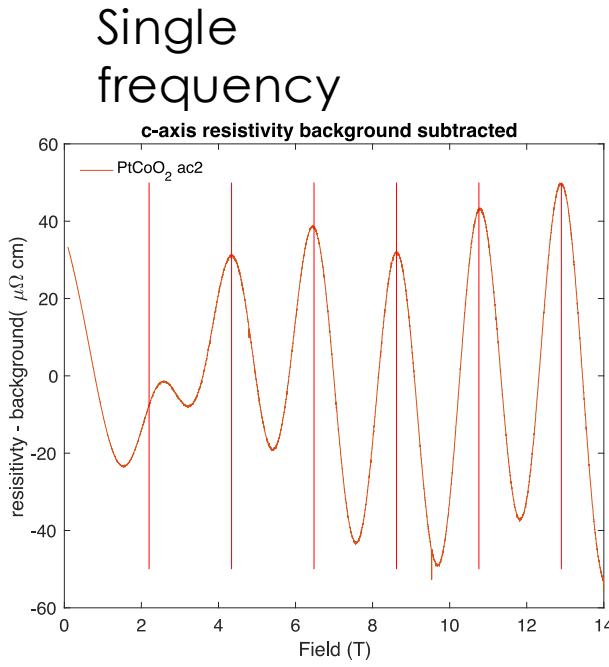


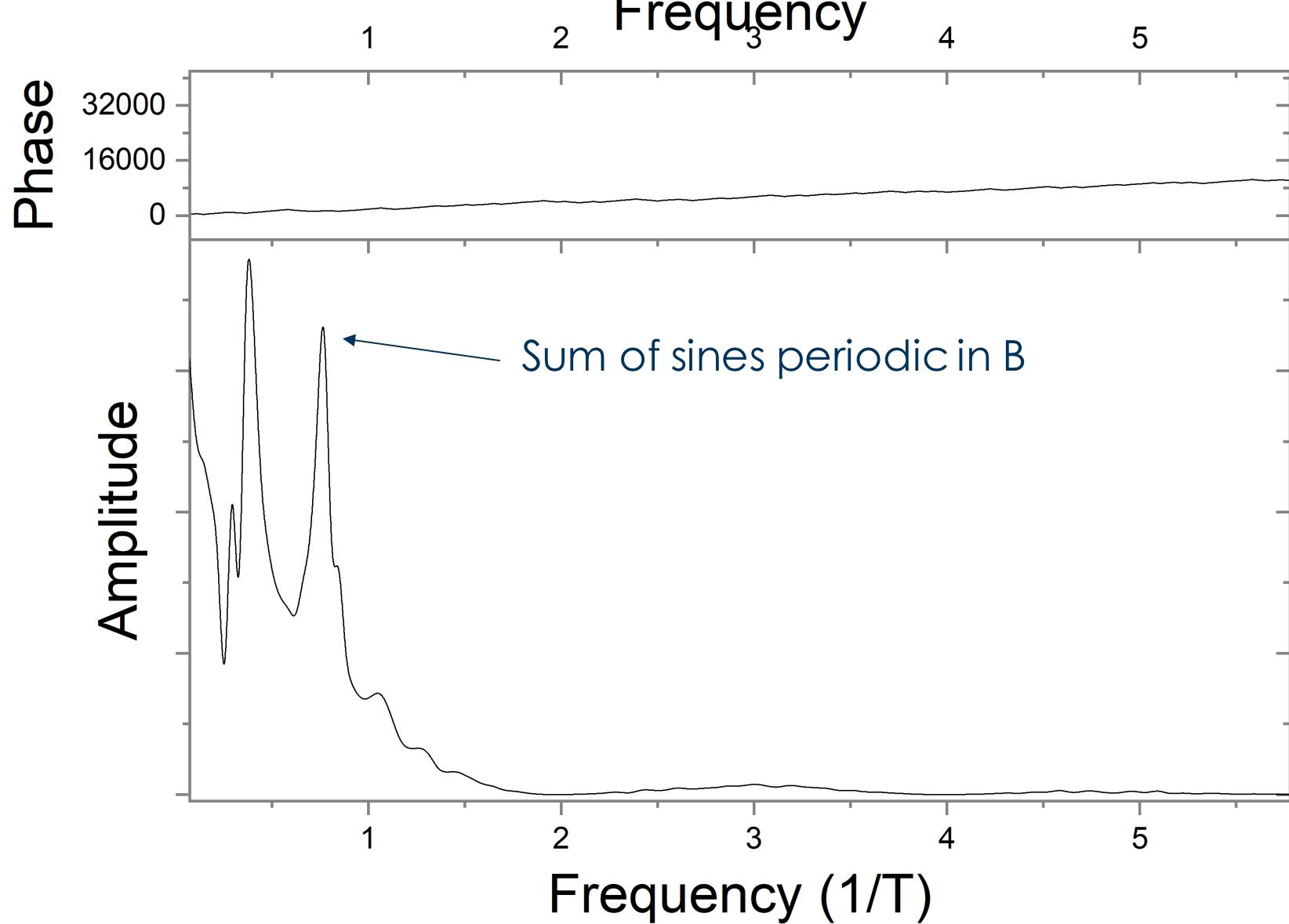
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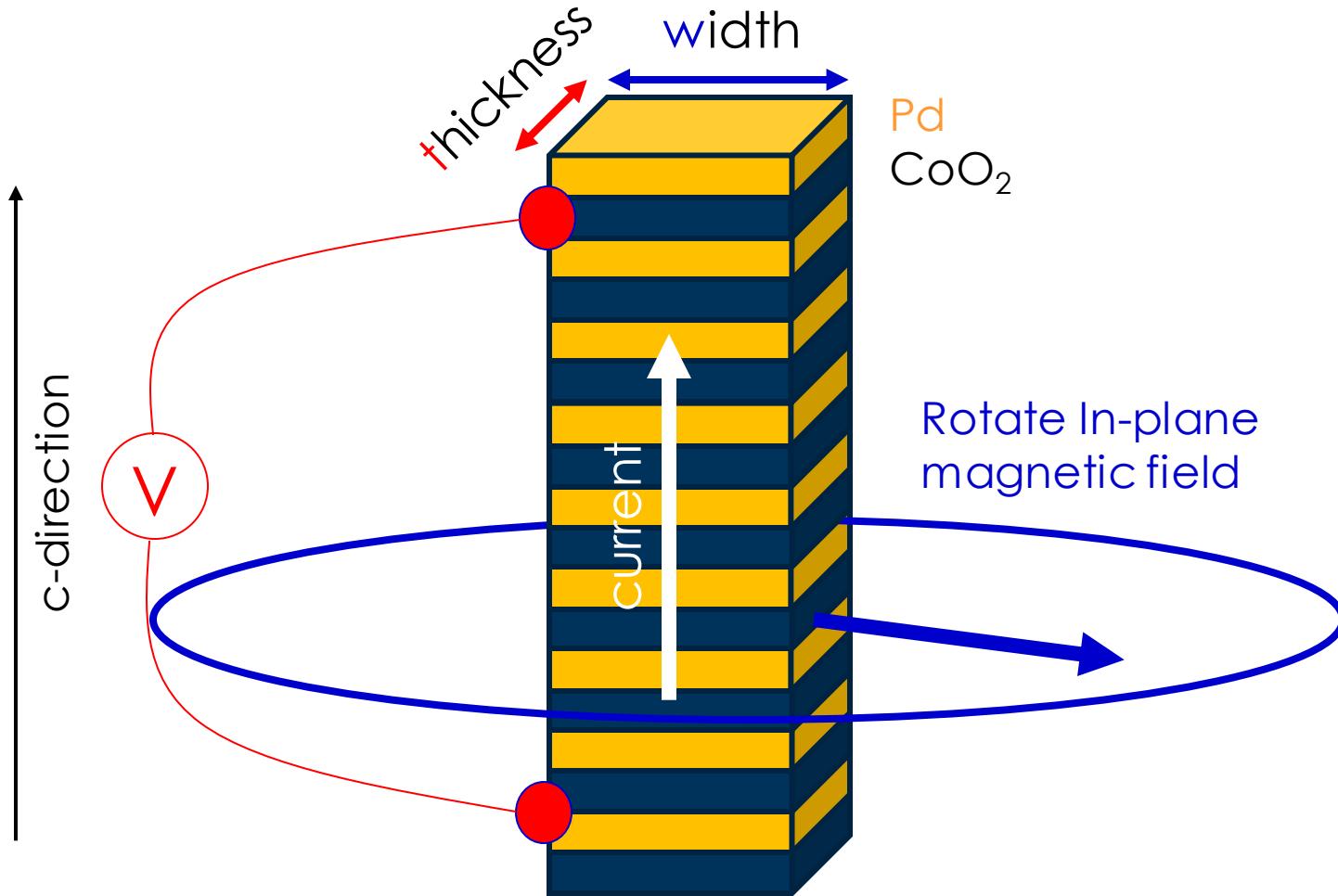
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Two types of devices: single- and multi-frequency



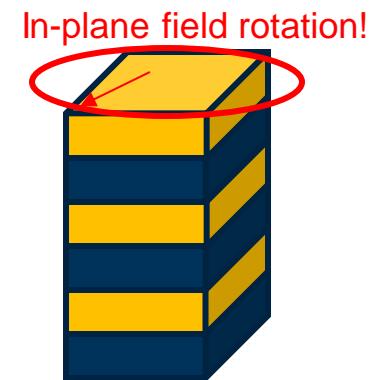
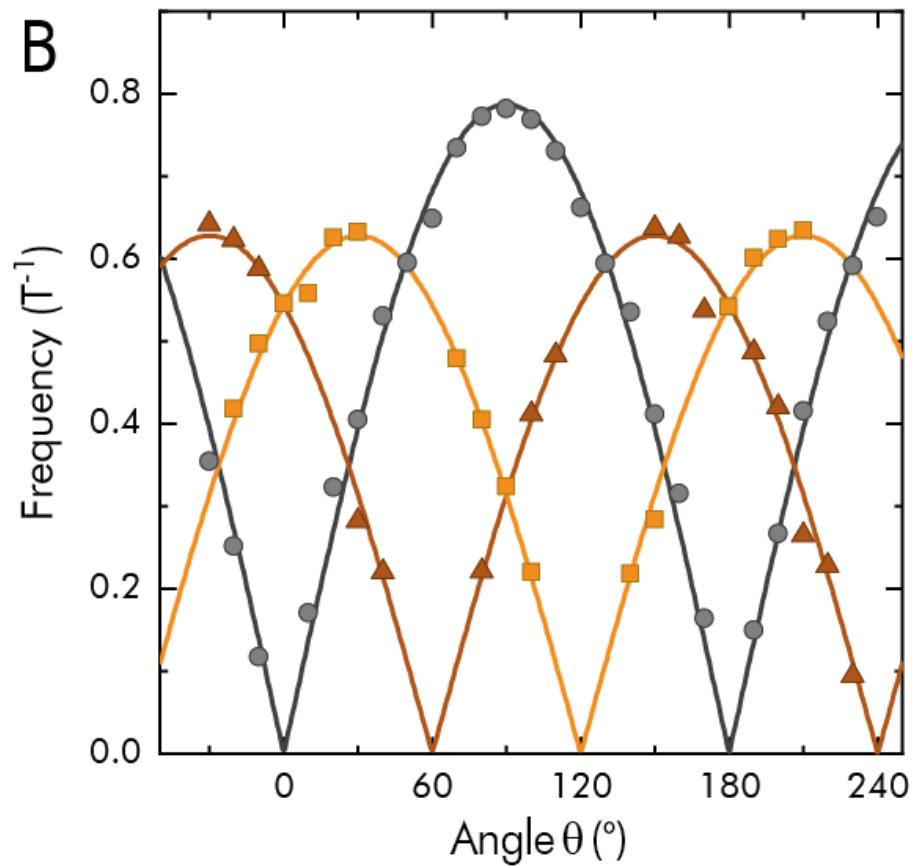


Rotating the in-plane field

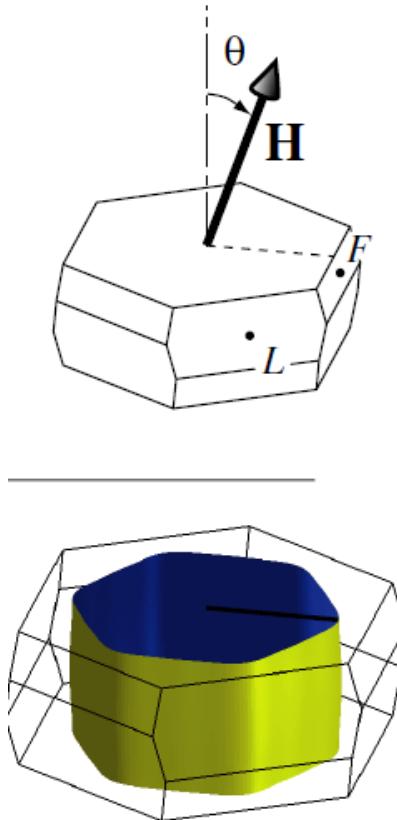


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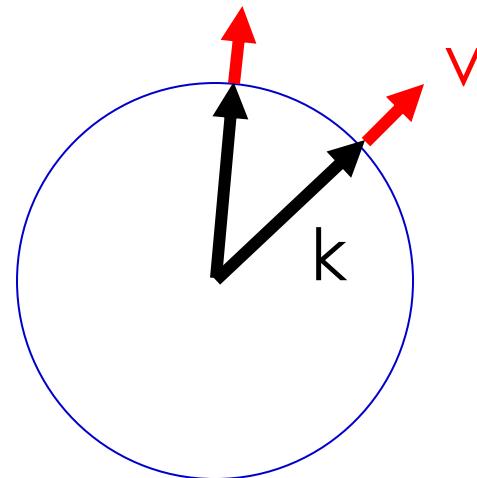
Complex frequency evolution under rotation



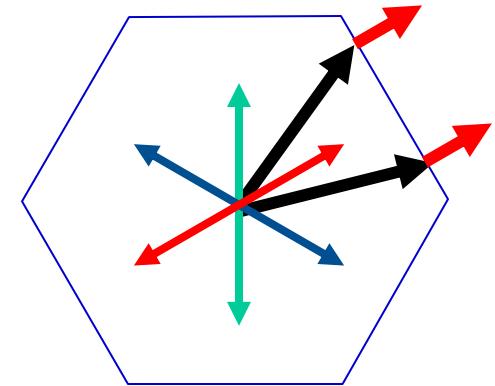
Ballistic motion on hexagonal Fermi surface



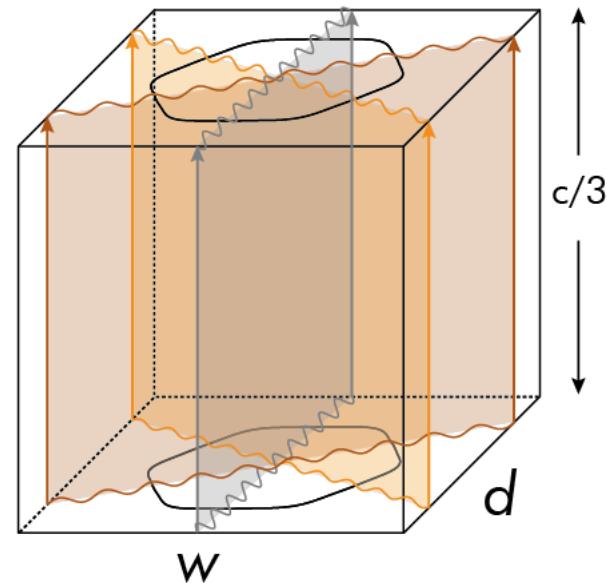
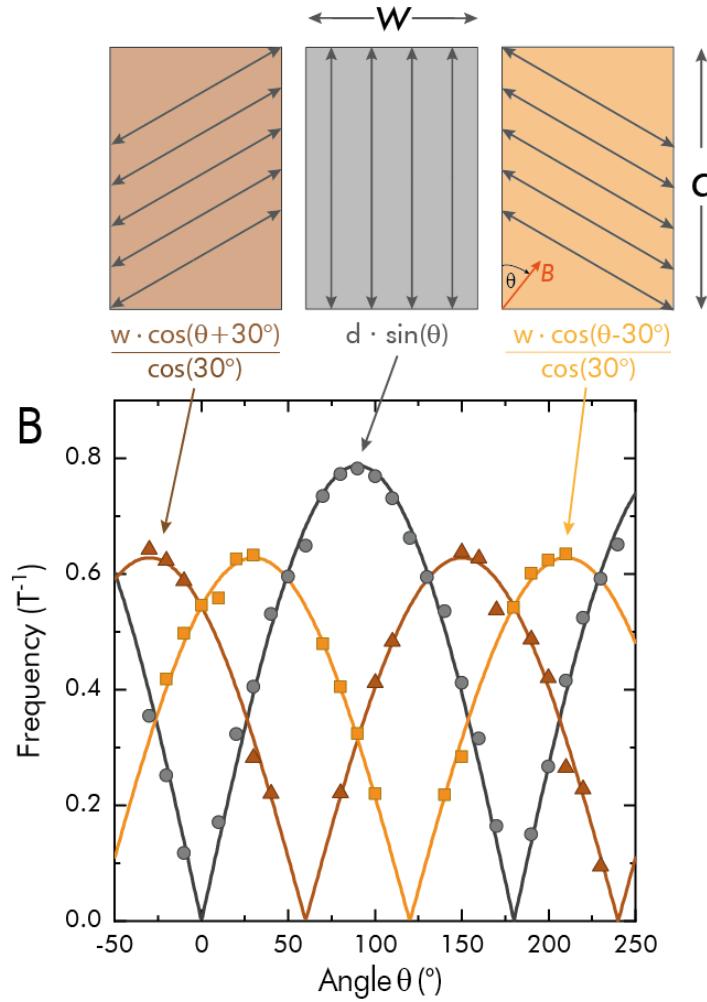
Circular Fermi surface



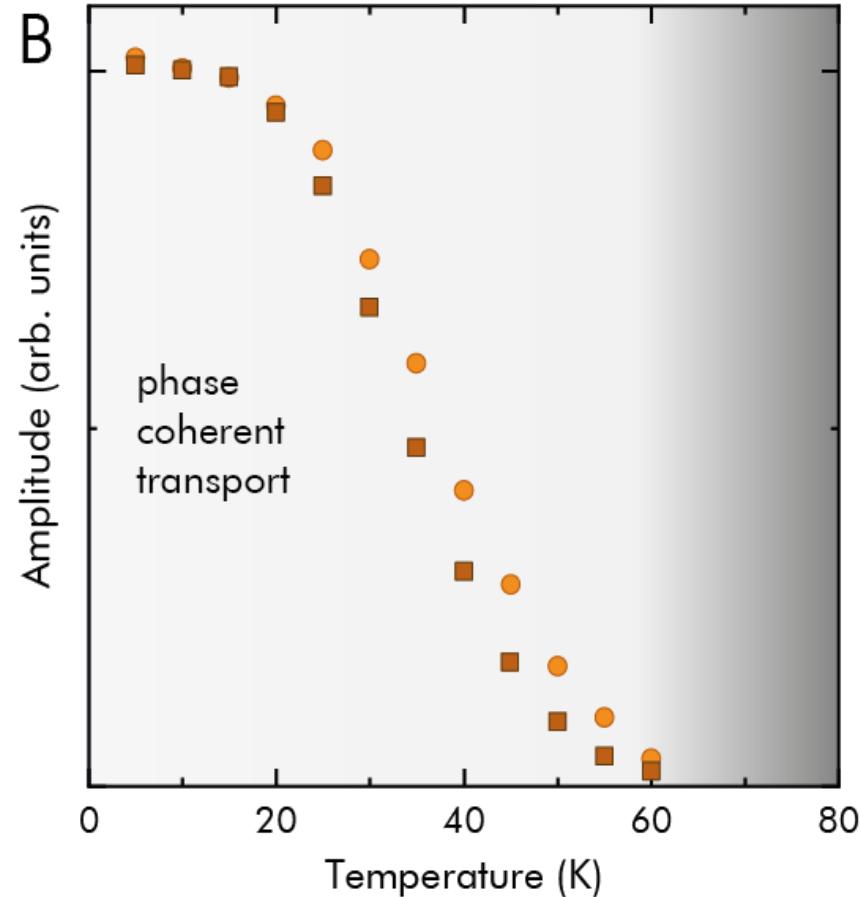
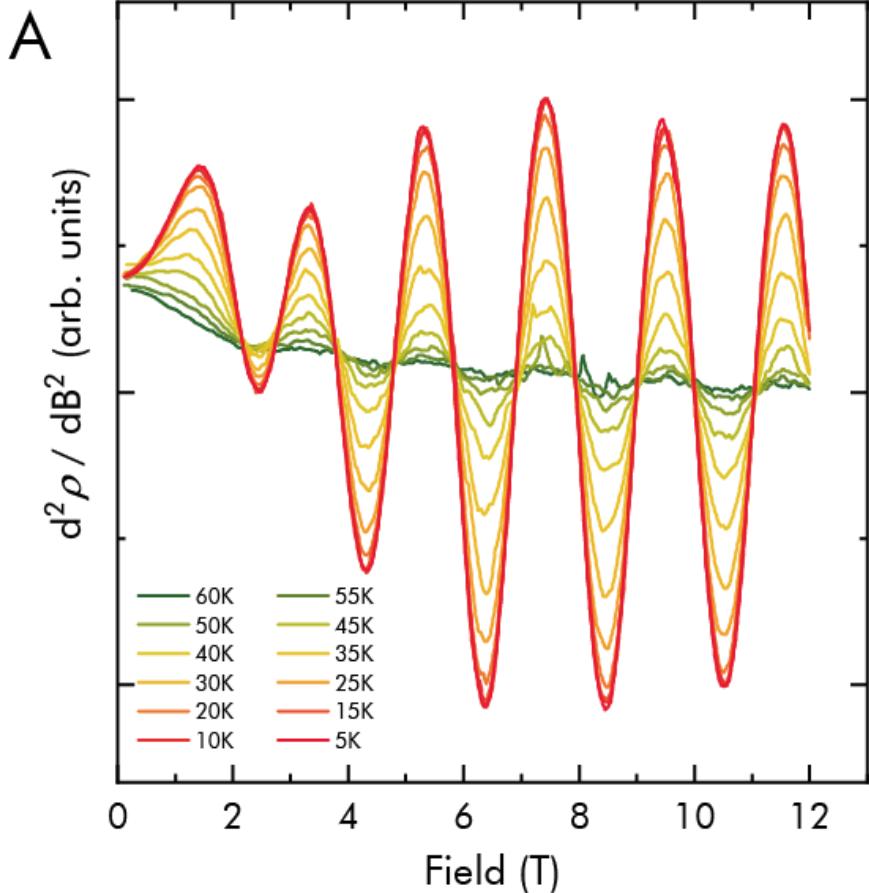
Hexagonal Fermi surface



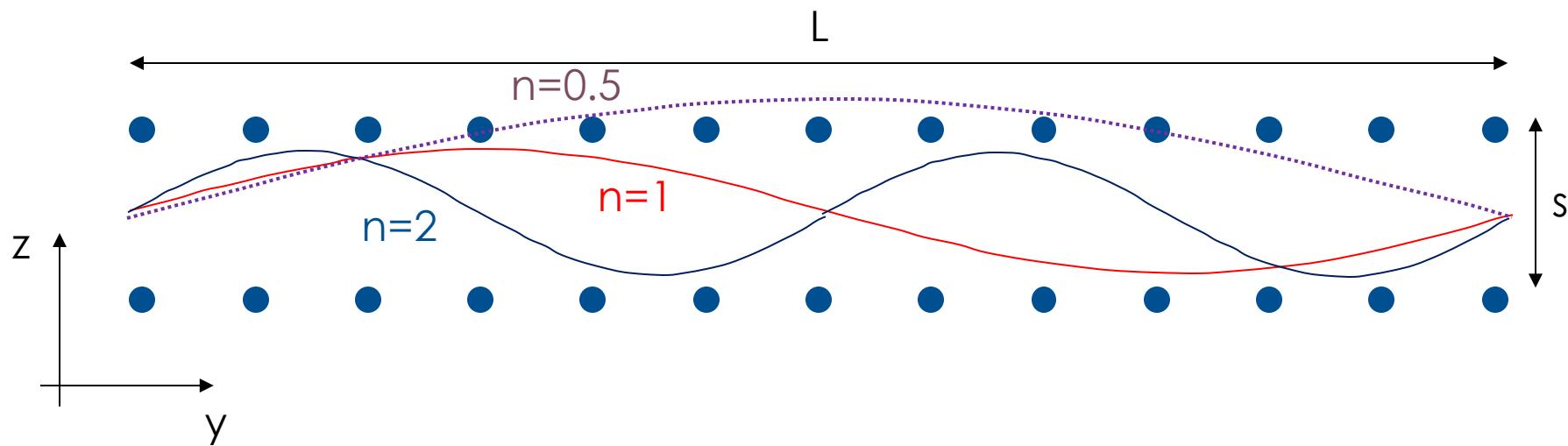
Three quantum paths given by symmetry



High temperature scale of 60K



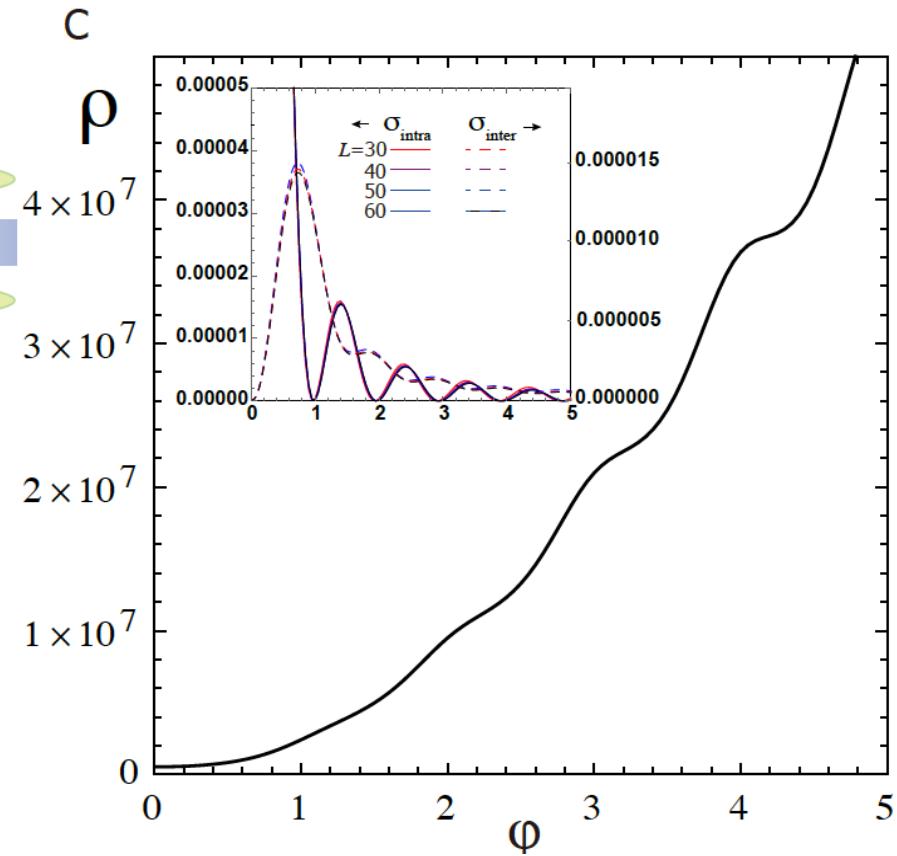
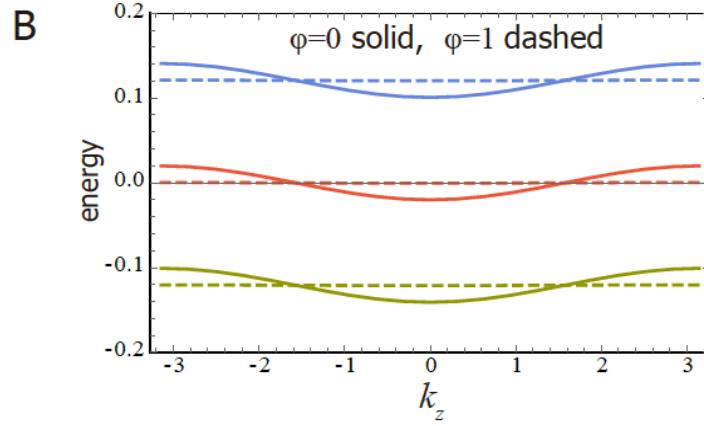
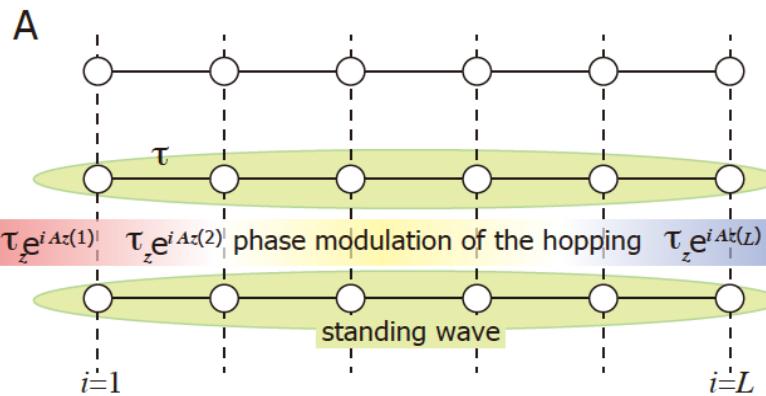
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Apply flux to this double chain $\Phi = BLs \rightarrow A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \frac{\Phi}{Ls}y \end{pmatrix}$

$$t_i \rightarrow t_i e^{-i \frac{e}{\hbar} \int_{r_1}^{r_2} A(r') dr'} = t_i e^{-i \frac{e}{\hbar} \frac{\phi}{L} y_i} = t_i e^{-i 2\pi \frac{\phi}{\Phi_0} \frac{y_i}{L}}$$

Three quantum paths given by symmetry



What are the “smoking guns” for topology in gapless 3D systems?

- New devices: mechanical motion on the microscale
Work in progress; Carsten Putzke, Jonas Diaz
- Quantum oscillations are powerful probes of phases, they detect everything *not just Berry*. [M. Guo et al, soon on arXiv](#)
- Controlling current jetting on the micron-scale.

