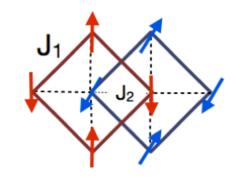
Spin Models = "Economy" Strongly Correlated Systems

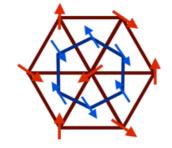
Frustration — Ordering



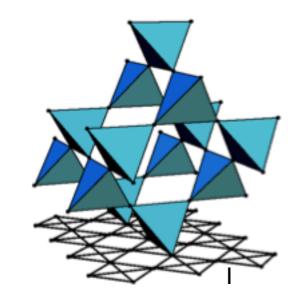


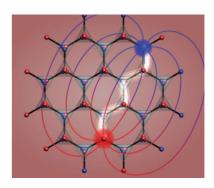
Spin Ice, Fractionalization and Topology

My Fifteen Minute Presentation: "Quantum Annealed Criticality"

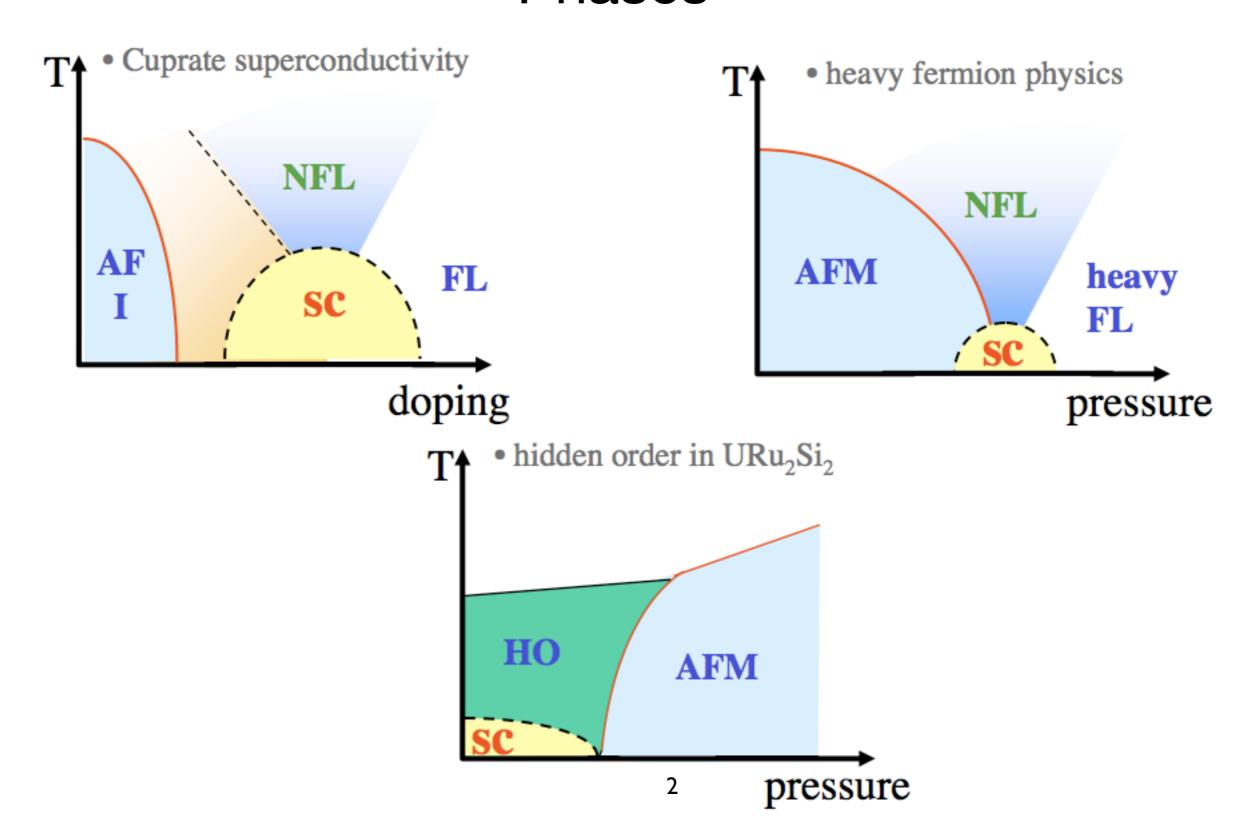


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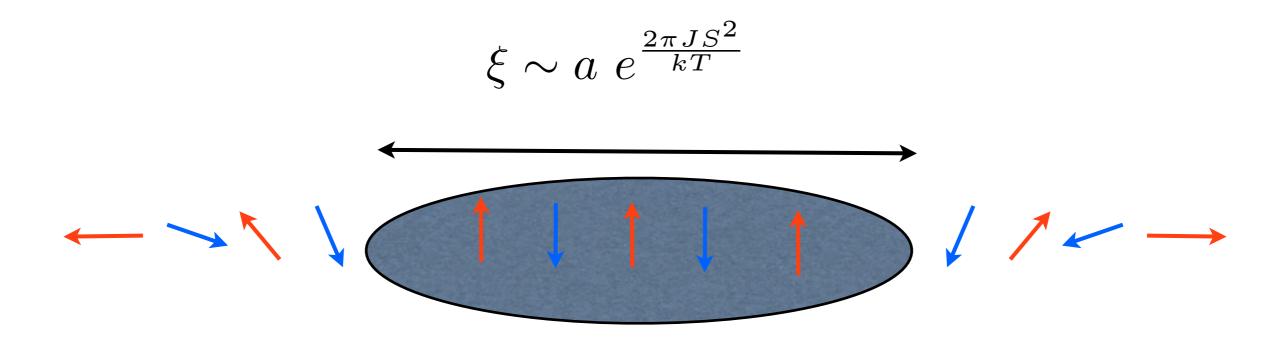


Motivation: Novel Materials with Competing Interactions and Exotic Phases



2D Heisenberg Antiferromagnets at Finite Temperature

Hohenberg-Mermin-Wagner Theorem (1966) No Long-Range Order at Finite Temperatures



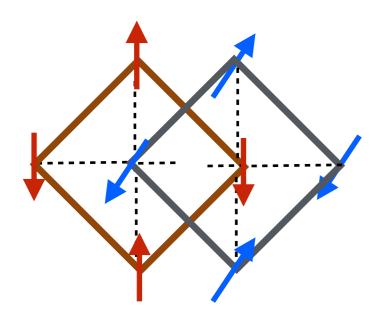
Frustration -----

Discrete Symmetry-Breaking at Finite Temperatures

$$H = J_1 \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} S_i \cdot S_j + J_2 \sum_{\langle \langle i,j \rangle \rangle} S_i \cdot S_j$$

$$(J_2 >> J_1)$$

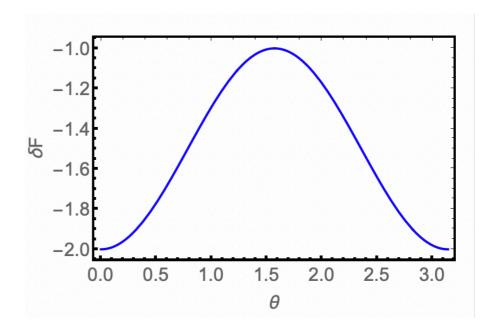
Sublattices classically decoupled



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Fluctuation Free Energy

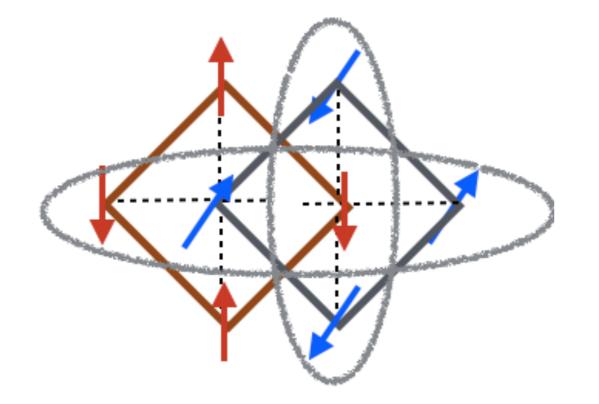


Collinear States Selected

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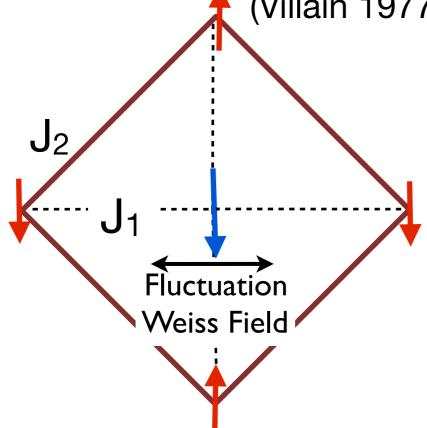
Discrete Z₂ Relative Degree of Freedom

$$\vec{M}_1 \cdot \vec{M}_2 = \sigma = \pm 1$$

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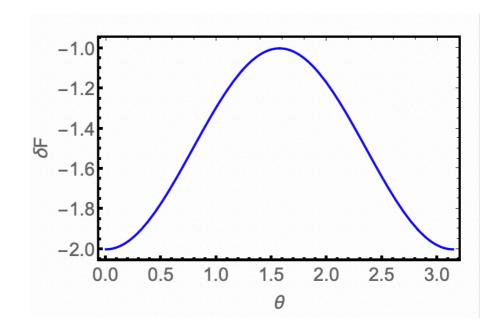
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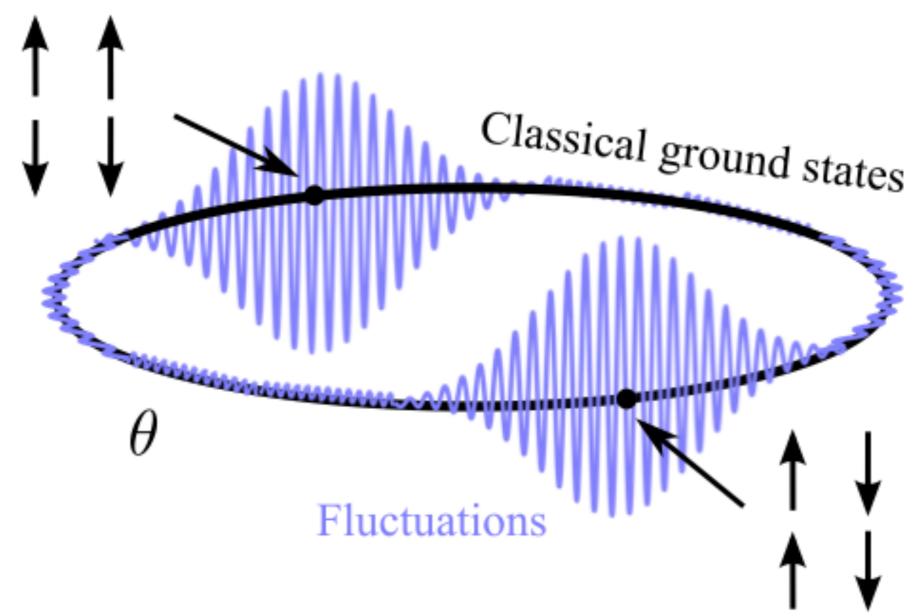
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Fluctuation Free Energy



Collinear States Selected

Order From Disorder



Fluctuations Select "Soft" States from Degenerate Ground-State Manifold

(courtesy, R. Flint)

(Villain 80, Shender 82, Henley 89)

First Theory-Experiment Agreement on "Order from Disorder"

EUROPHYSICS LETTERS

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Quantum Exchange Magnon Gap in an Antiferromagnet with Dynamically Interacting Spin Subsystems.

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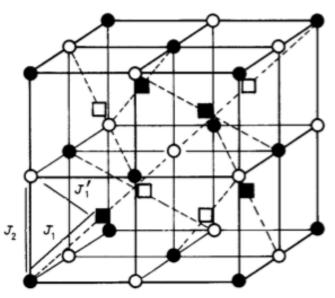
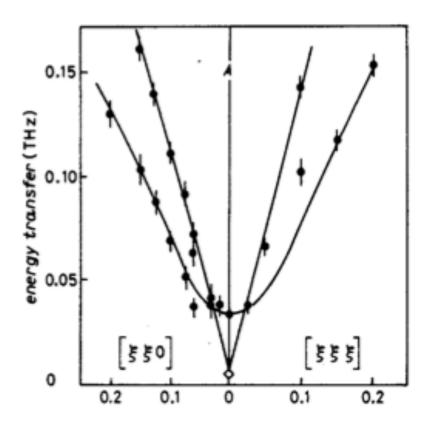


Fig. 1. – The magnetic structure of Fe₂Ca₃(GeO₄)₃. Open symbols indicate spin down, full symbols spin up. The two subsystems mentioned in the text are distinguished by squares and circles, respectively. Dashed lines indicate the threefold axis.



More Recent Theory-Experiment Agreement on "Order from Disorder"

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Quantum Order by Disorder and Accidental Soft Mode in Er₂Ti₂O₇

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Order by Quantum Disorder in Er₂Ti₂O₇

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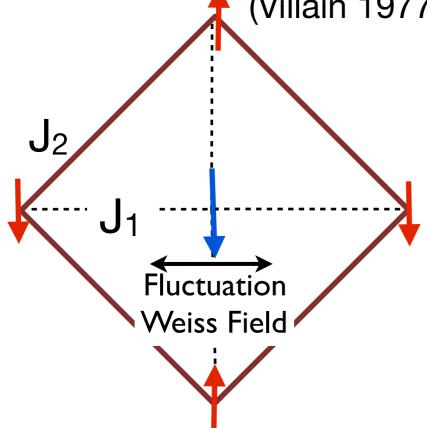
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(xy Pyrochlore spin system)

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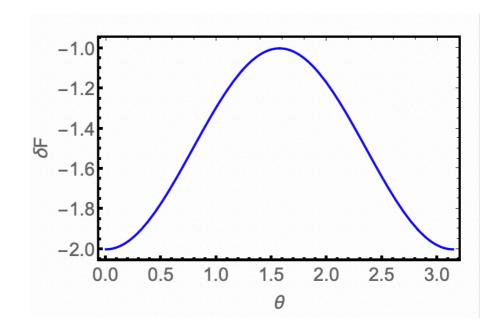
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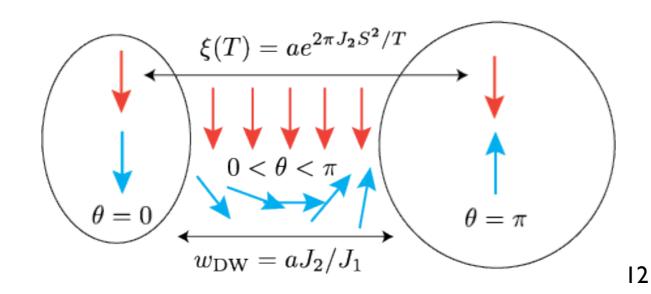
Phase Diagram

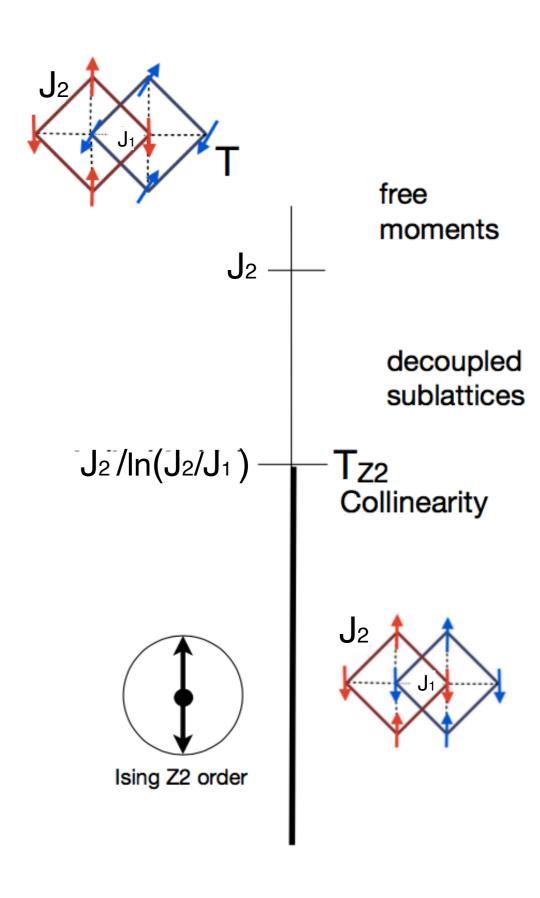
$$S = \frac{1}{2} \int_{x} \sum_{i} K(\partial_{\mu} \boldsymbol{n}_{i})^{2} - \frac{\gamma}{a^{2}} \int_{x} (\boldsymbol{n}_{1} \cdot \boldsymbol{n}_{2})^{2}$$

Ising Transition Temperature $T_c = J_2/\ln(J_2/J_1)$

Intuitive Argument: Z₂ domains defined if Heisenberg correlation length is longer than the domain wall thickness

$$\xi(T) = ae^{2\pi J_2 S^2/T} > w_{\rm DW} \propto aJ_2/J_1$$

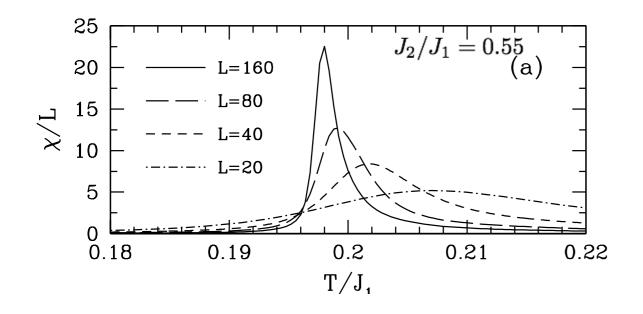


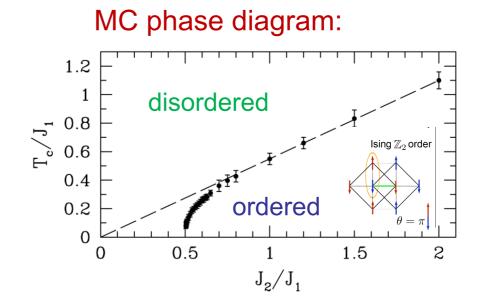


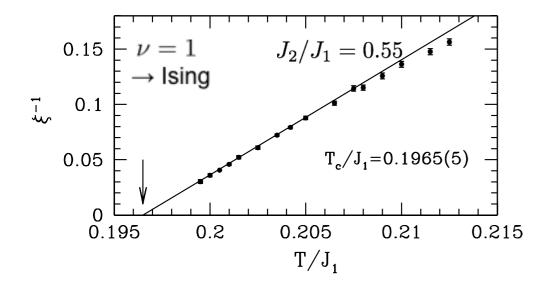
PC, Coleman and Larkin (90)

Finite Temperature Ising Transition

Long Wavelength Analysis Confirmed by Classical Monte Carlo





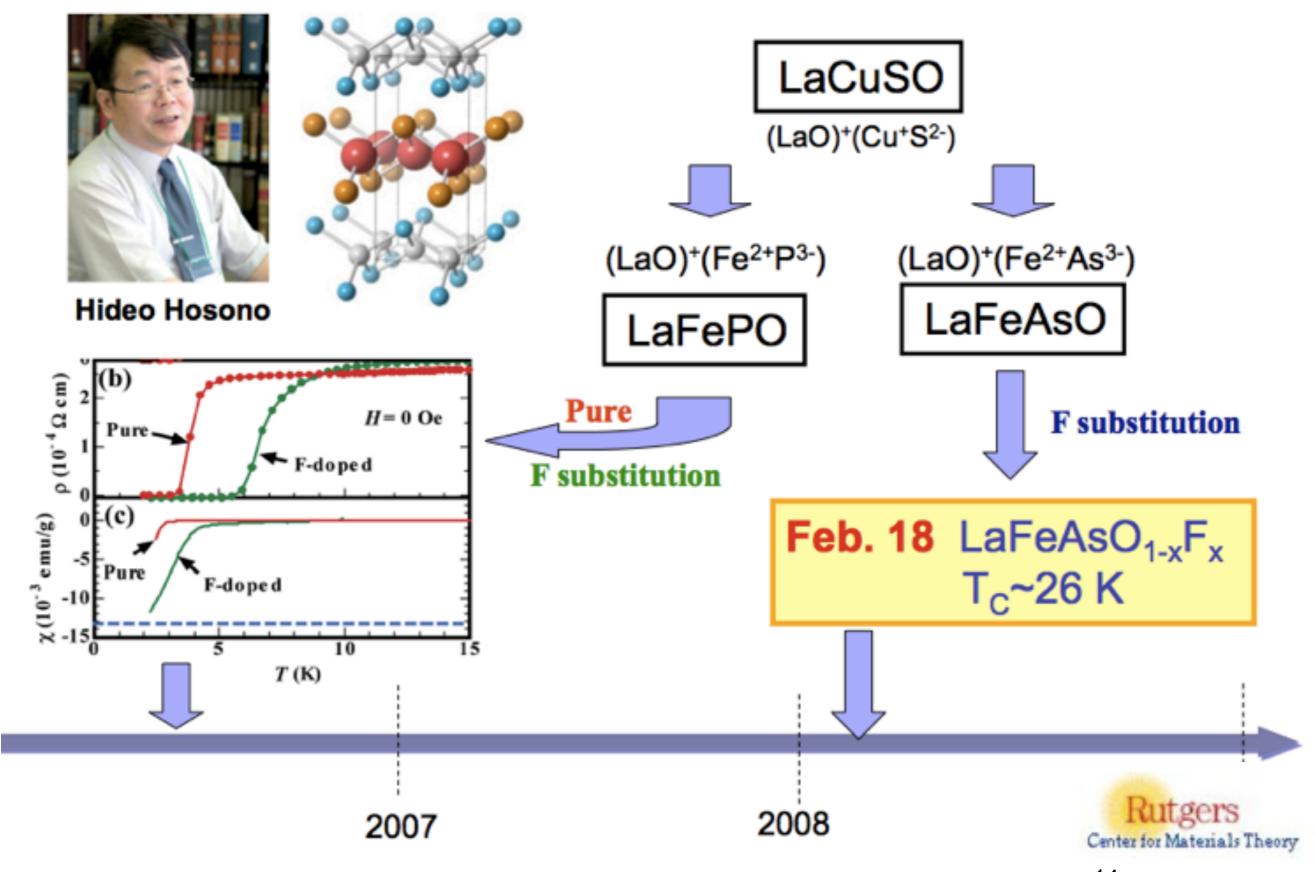


Also confirmed for the S=1/2 case

Any link with Experiment ??

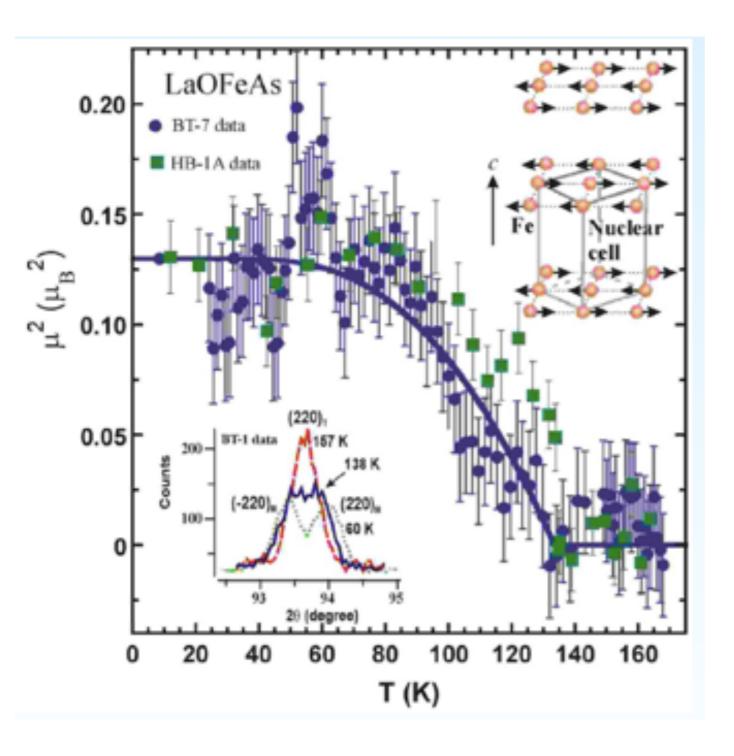
Weber et al (03)

Discovery of New High-T_c Superconductors



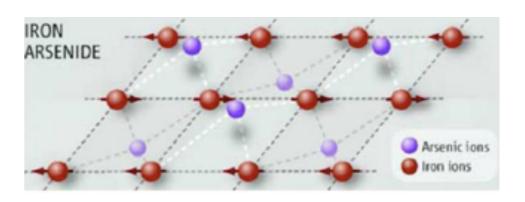
The Iron Age of Superconductivity has Begun!

Spin Structure from Neutron Scattering



Cruz et al (08)

Familiar Spin Pattern!!



Frustration in the Pnictides (J1-J2 Model)

Yildirim (08)
Si and Abrahams (08)



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Quantum Annealed Criticality

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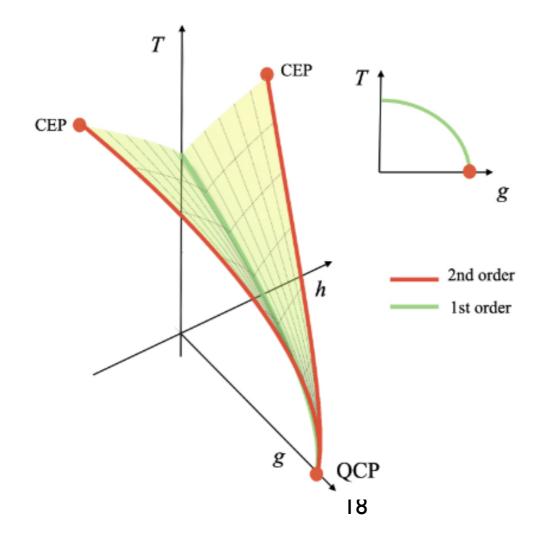
How can systems that have classical first-order transitions display quantum criticality ??

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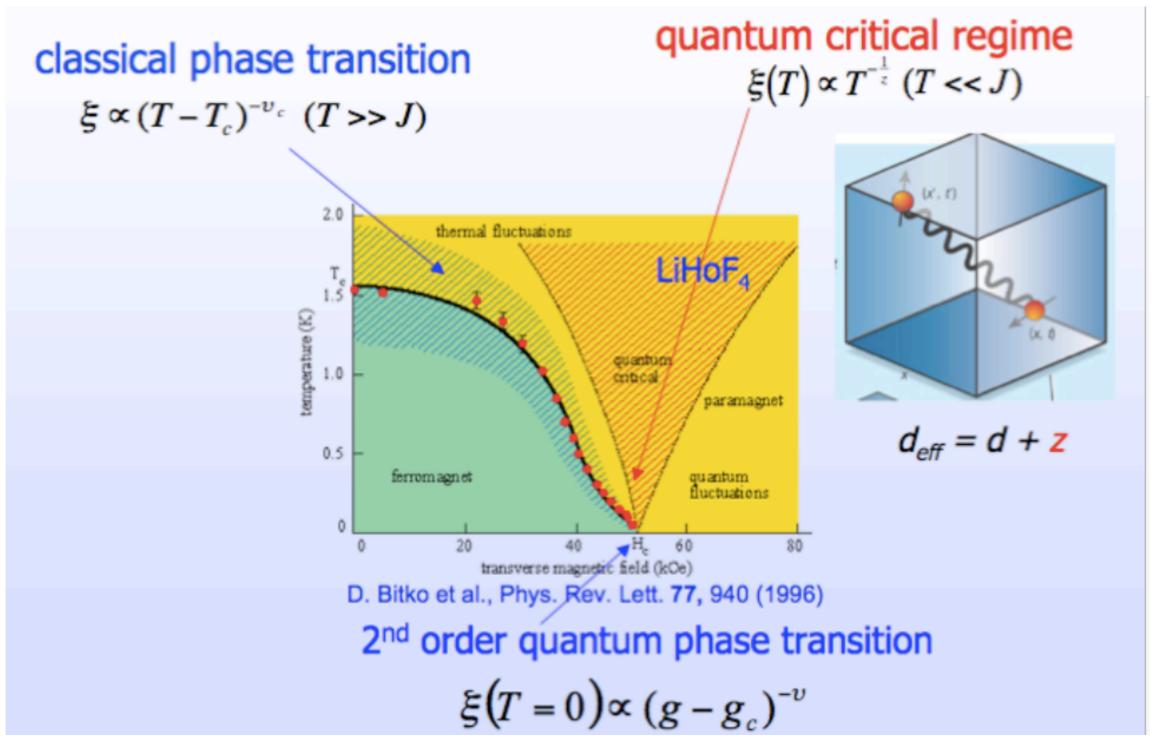


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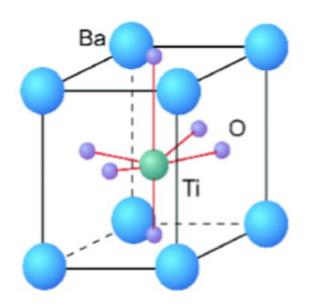
Quantum Annealed Criticality



Classical and Quantum Phase Transitions



Experimental Motivation: Ferroelectrics



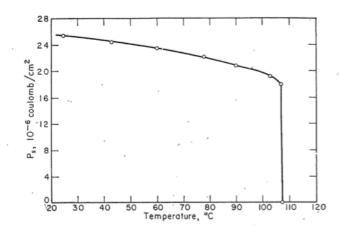
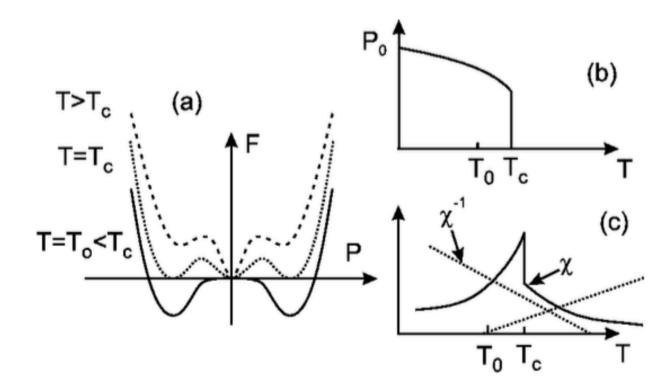
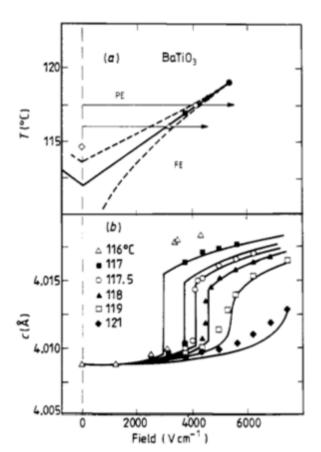


Fig. IV-7. Spontaneous polarization of tetragonal ${\rm BaTiO_3}$ as a function of temperature (according to Merz (M 2)).

Jona and Shirane, FE Crystals (1962)

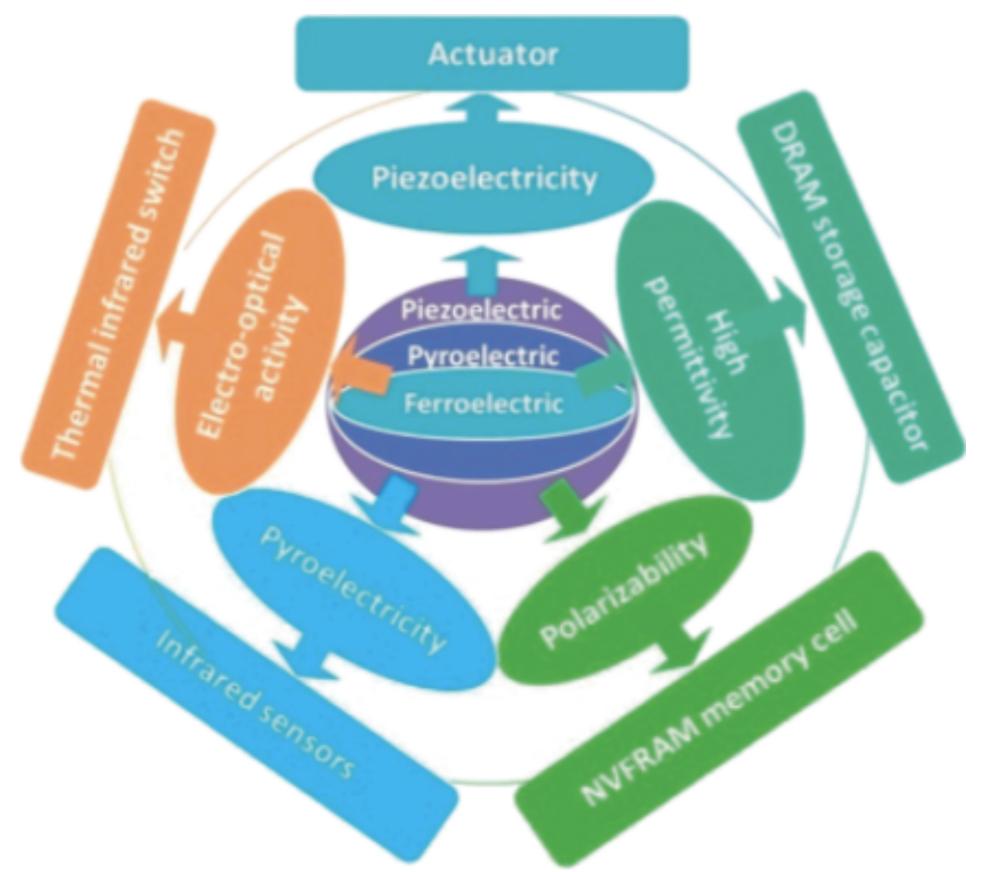




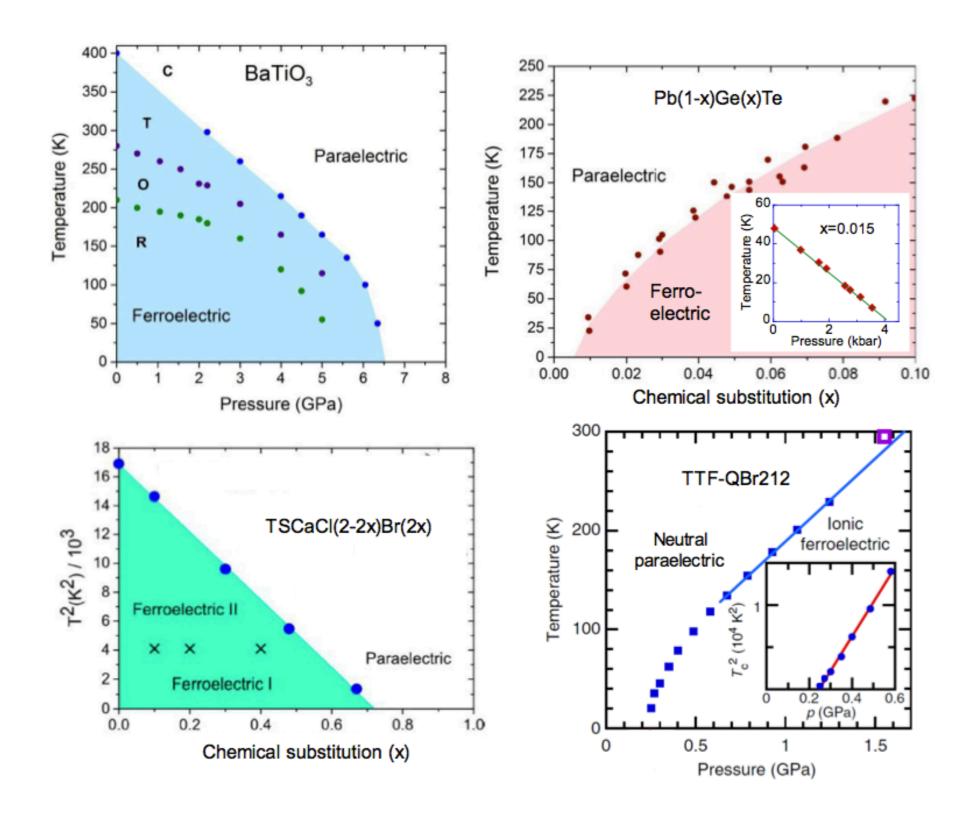
McWhan et al., J.Phys. C (1985)

Figure 1. (a) Phase diagram of $BaTiO_3$ showing line of first-order transitions terminating at a critical point (full circle). (b) Lattice constant against electric field at different temperatures. Full and broken curves in 1(a) and 1(b) are calculated by minimising the free energy and they correspond to the equilibrium and spinodal boundaries.

Classically First-Order!



Quantum Criticality with Classical First-Order Transitions!



(Classical) Larkin-Pikin Mechanism

(A. I. Larkin and S. Pikin, Sov. Phys. JETP 29, 891 (1969))

Interaction of strain with fluctuating critical order parameter



Diverging Specific Heat in a Clamped System



1st Order Transition in the Unclamped System

Coupling of the uniform strain to the energy density



LP Criterion for 1st Order Transition

$$\kappa < \frac{\Delta C_V}{T_c} \left(\frac{dT_c}{d\ln V}\right)^2$$

$$\kappa^{-1} = K^{-1} - (K + \frac{4}{3}\mu)^{-1}$$

$$\kappa \sim K \frac{c_L^2}{c_T^2}$$

Shear Strain Crucial

Macroscopic Instability of the Critical Point



Discontinuous Phase Transition

Generalization for the Quantum Case ???

Rewrite in terms of correlation functions (energy fluctuations)

Include dynamics and quantum tuning parameter

$$(\tilde{\kappa} = \kappa - \Delta \kappa)$$

$$\tilde{\kappa} < 0$$

$(\tilde{\kappa} = \kappa - \Delta \kappa)$ $\tilde{\kappa} < 0$ 1st Order Transition

A Flavor for the Quantum Case

$$\lim_{T \to 0} \Delta \kappa \propto \int dq \ d\nu \ q^{d-1} \ \chi^2(q, i\nu)$$

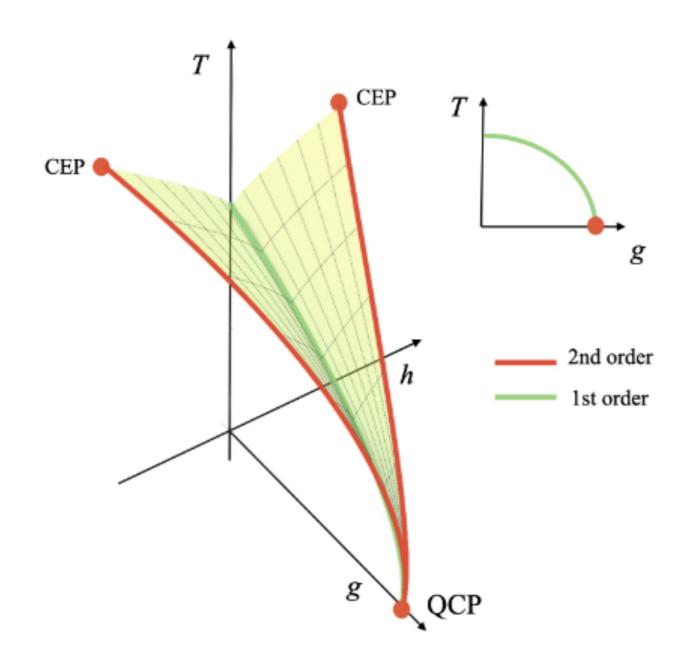
$$[\chi] = \left[\frac{1}{q^2}\right]$$

$$\lim_{T \to 0} \left[\Delta \kappa \right] = \frac{\left[q^{d+z} \right]}{\left[q^4 \right]}$$

$$[\nu] = [q^z]$$

Non-Singular for d + z > 4!!

Generalized Larkin-Pikin Results



Experimental Signatures

New Lattice-Sensitive

Settings for Exploration

of Exotic Quantum Phases

Elastic Anisotropy ??
Domain Dynamics??
Disorder ??
Metallic Systems ??

PC, P. Coleman, M.A. Continentino and G.G. Lonzarich, Phys. Rev. Research 2, 043440 (2020).

