

FeSe: a model system for Fe based superconductors



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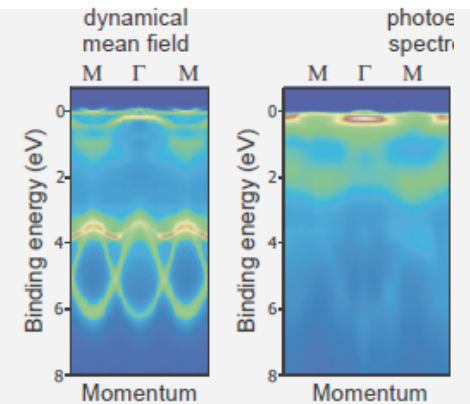
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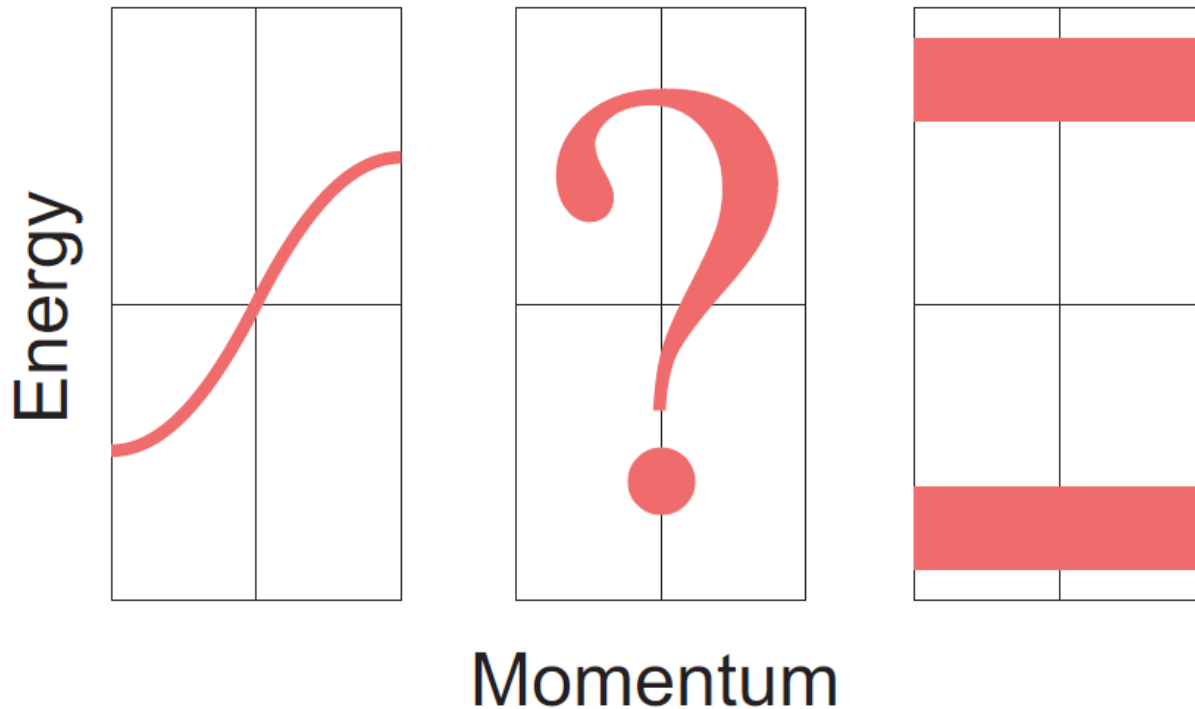
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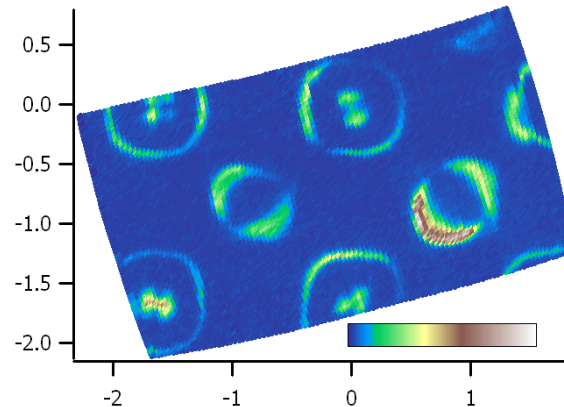
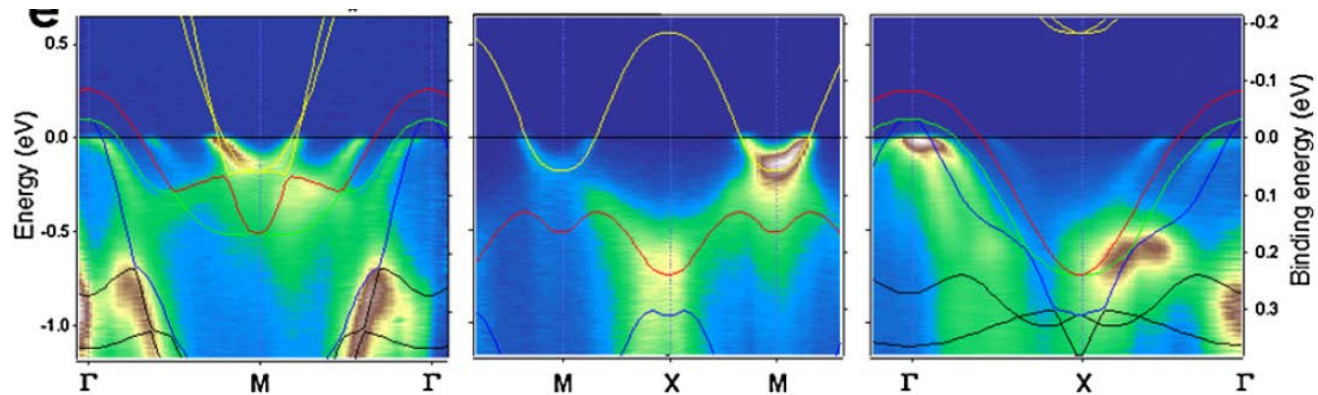
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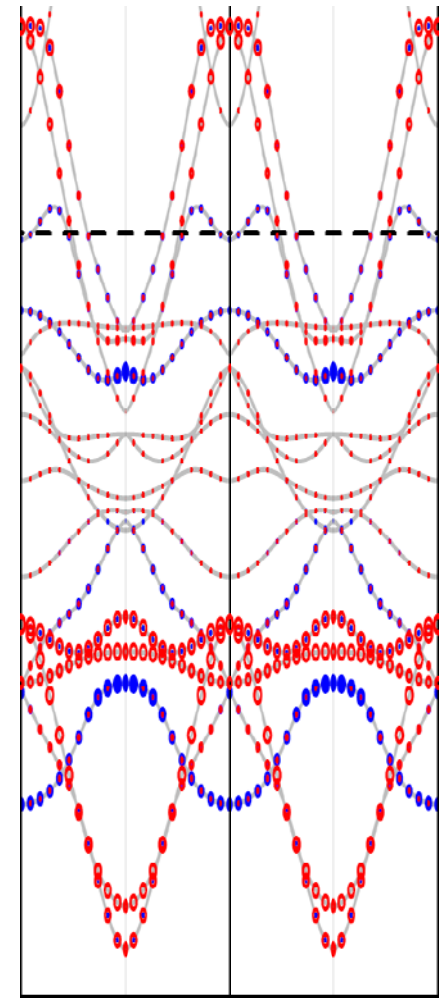
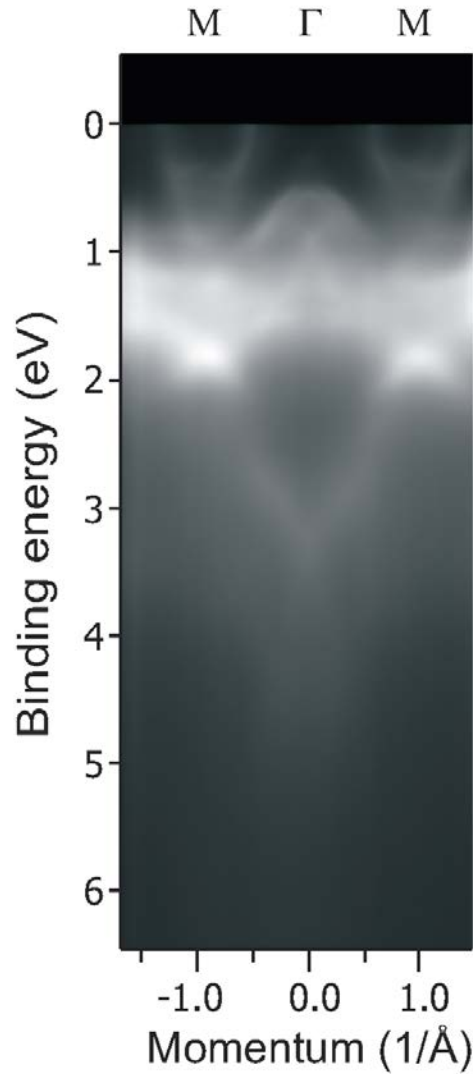
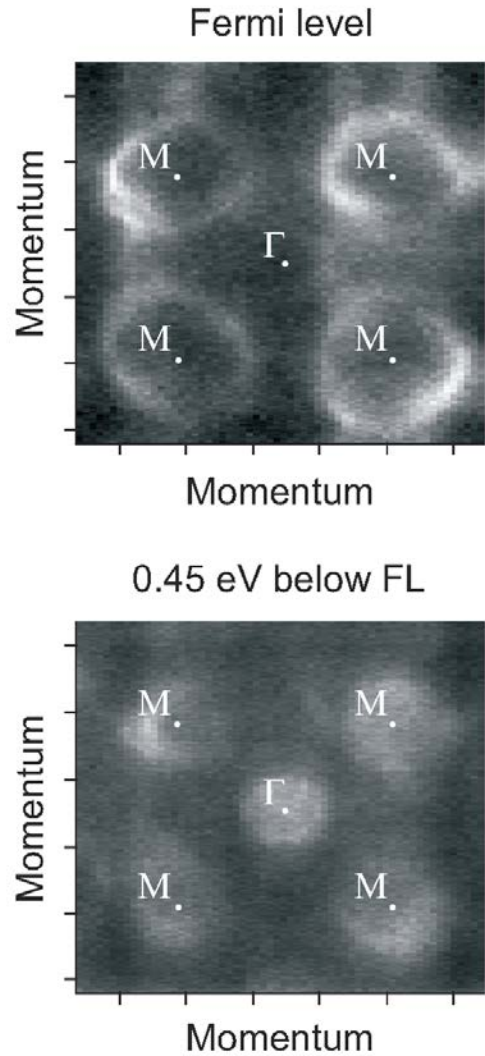
Renormalized bands close to E_F

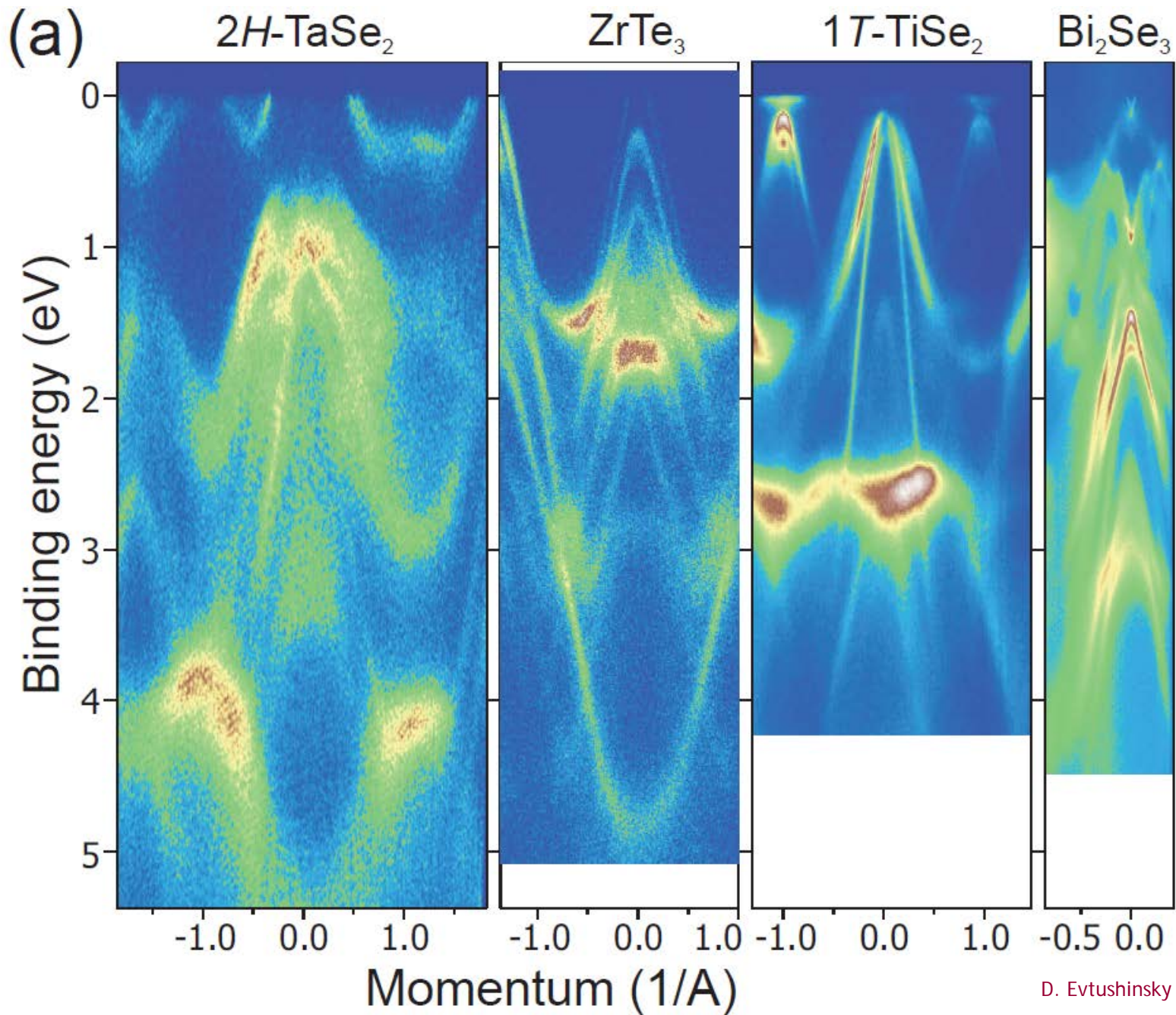
Superconducting material: LiFeAs



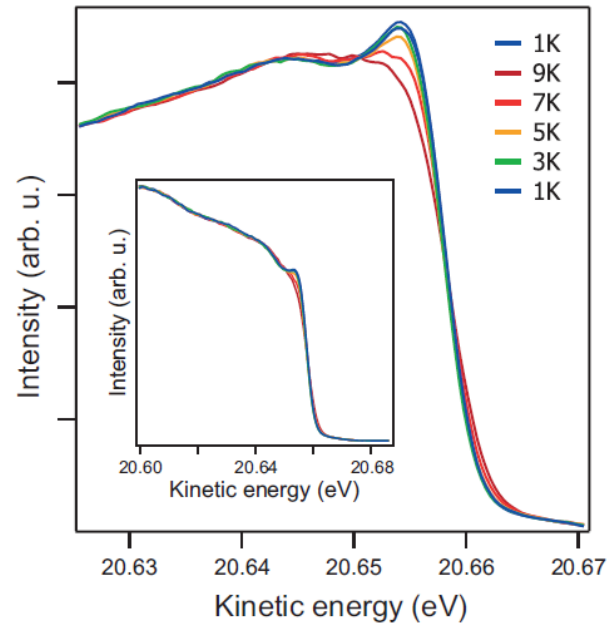
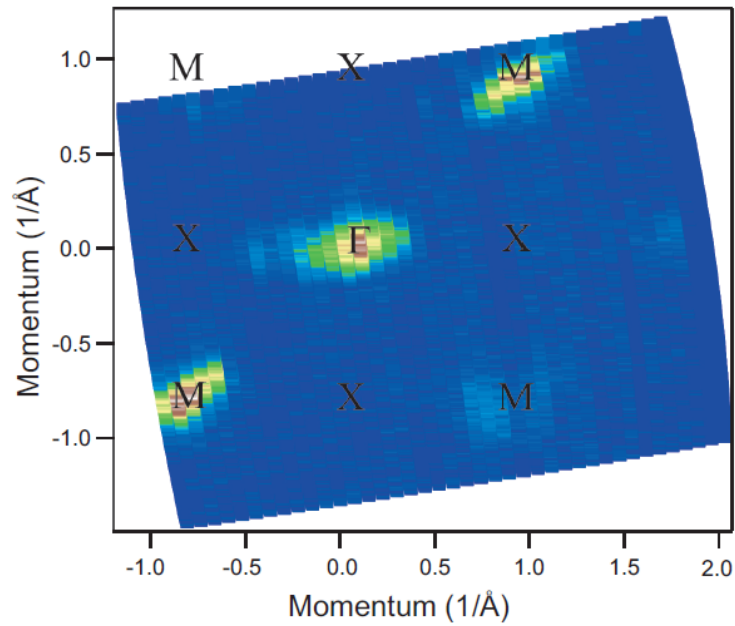
Renormalization ~ 3

122-structure, no iron atoms: BaNi_2As_2

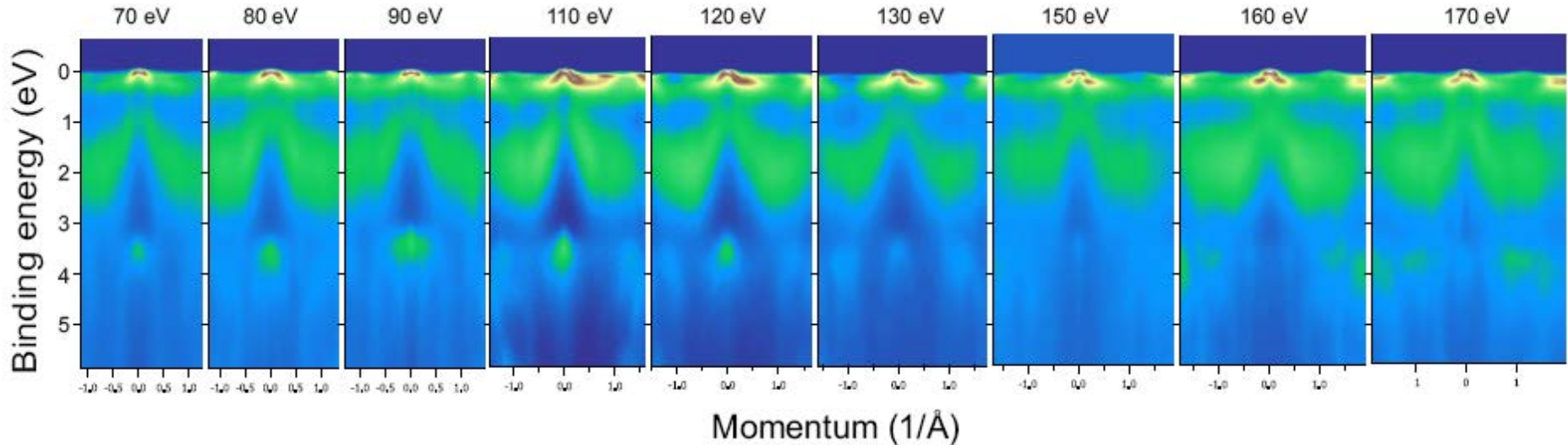




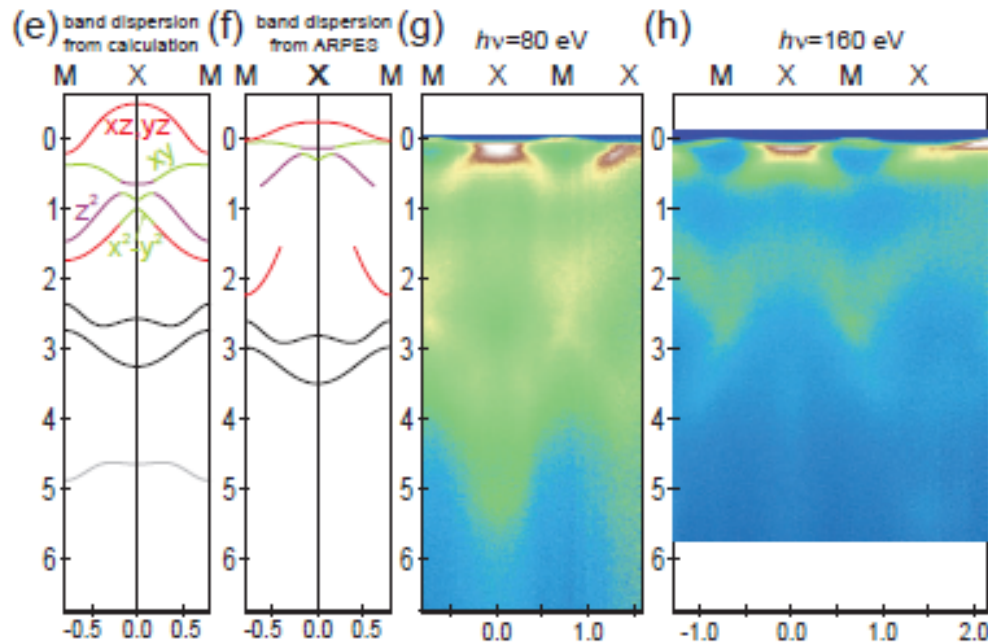
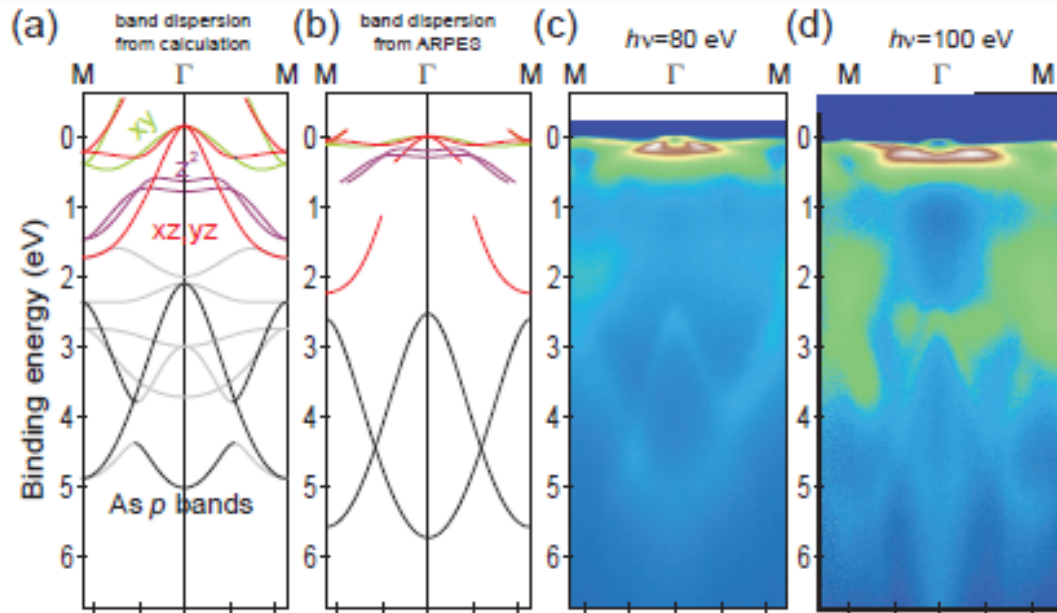
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see also
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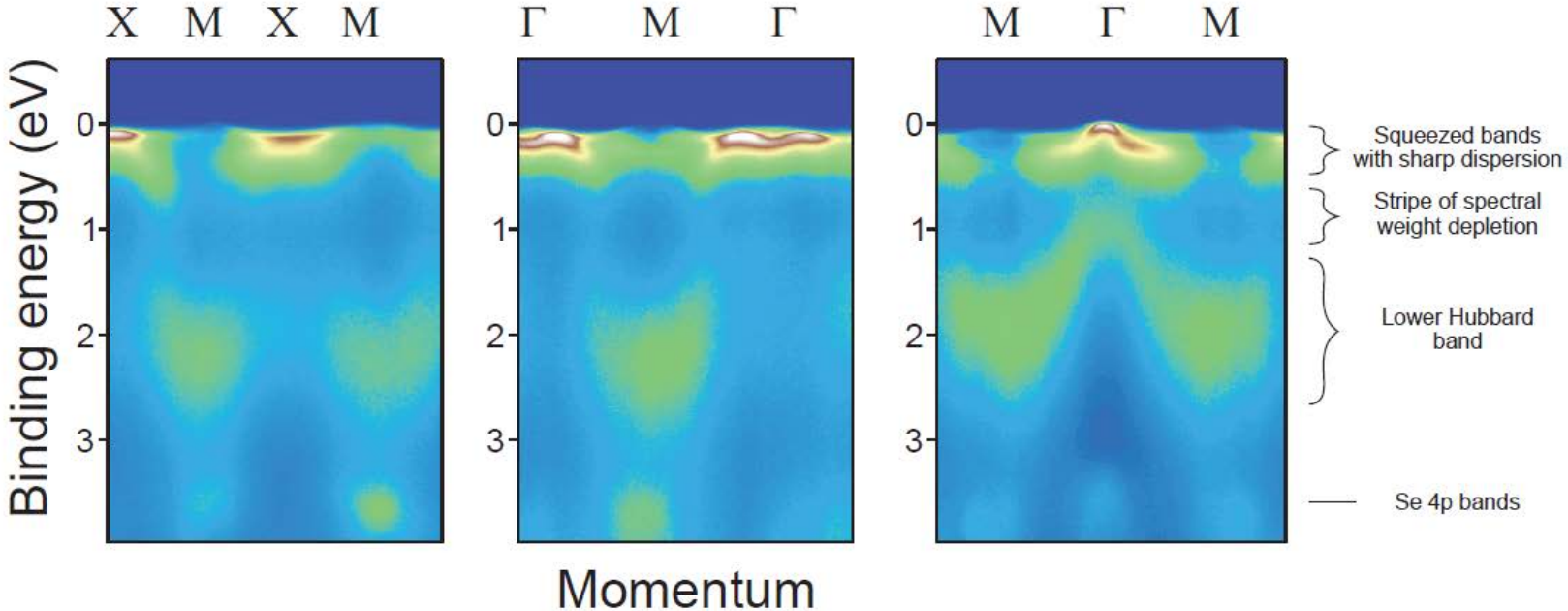


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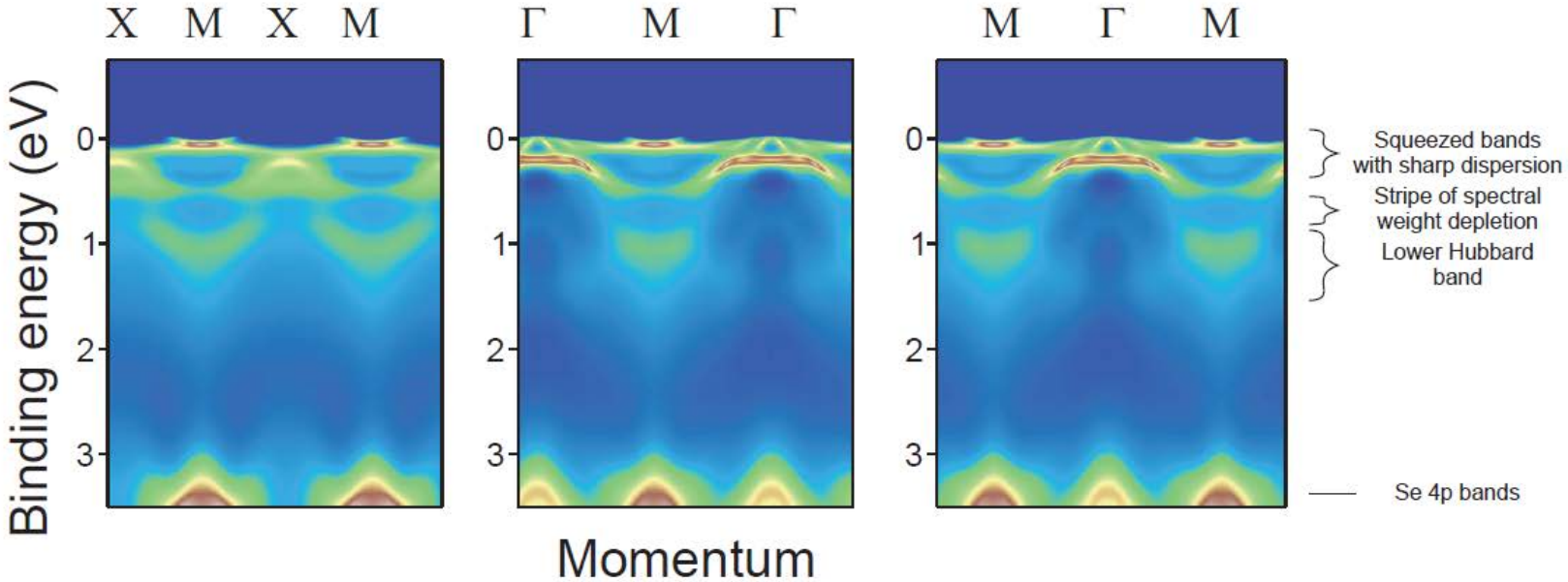


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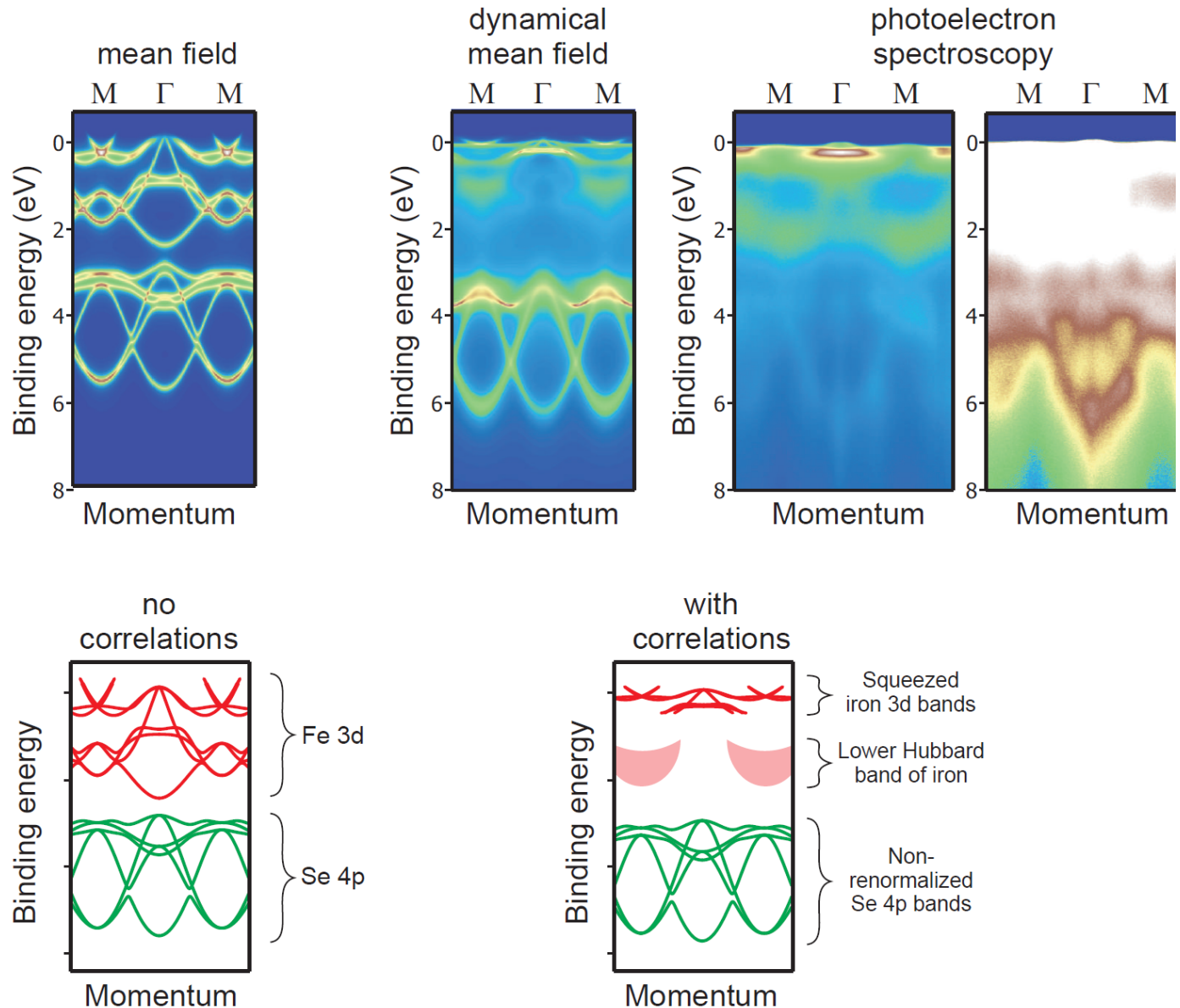
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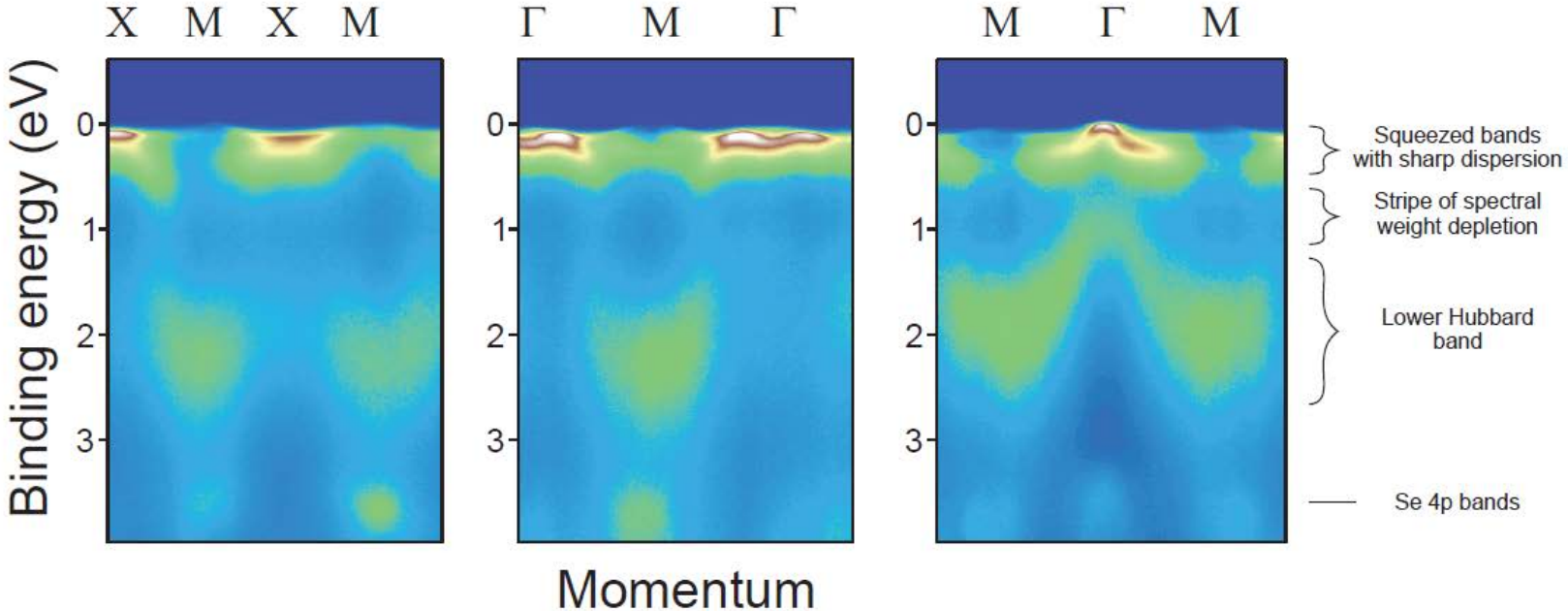


ARPES on FeSe: Theory and Experiment

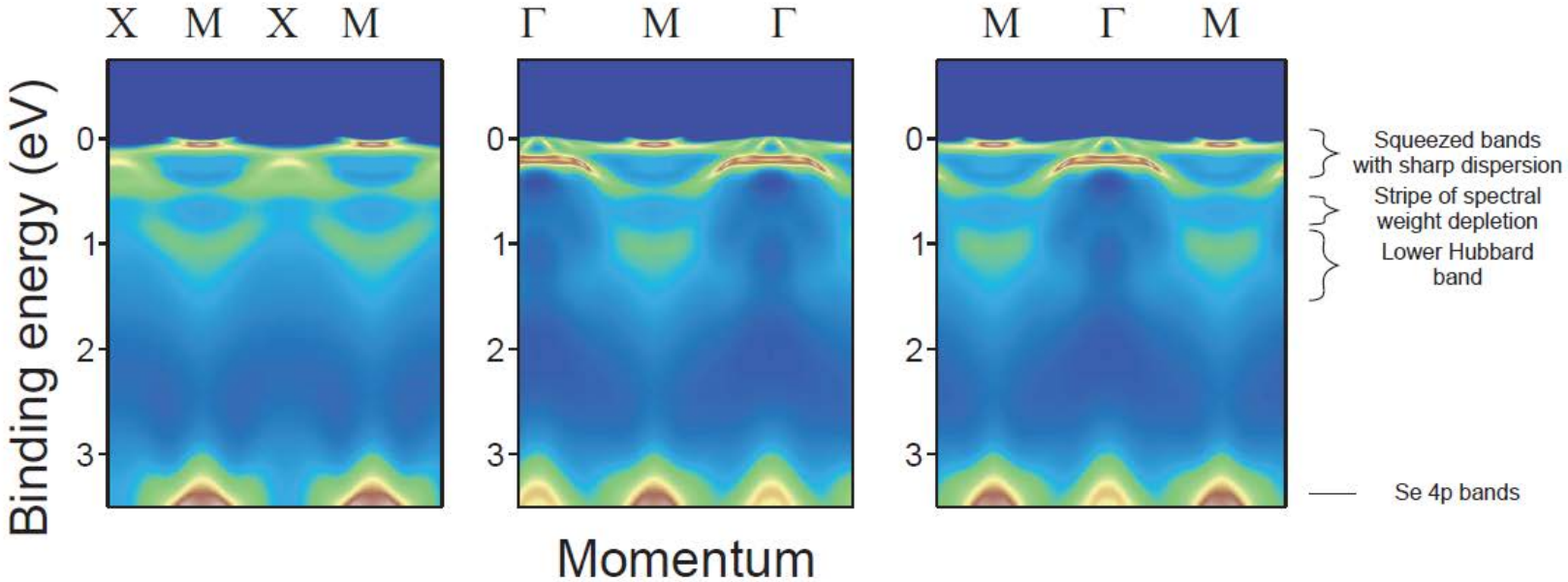


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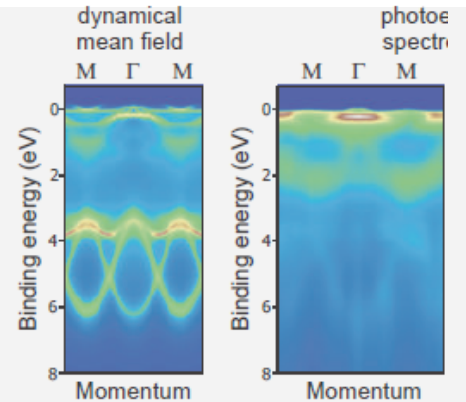
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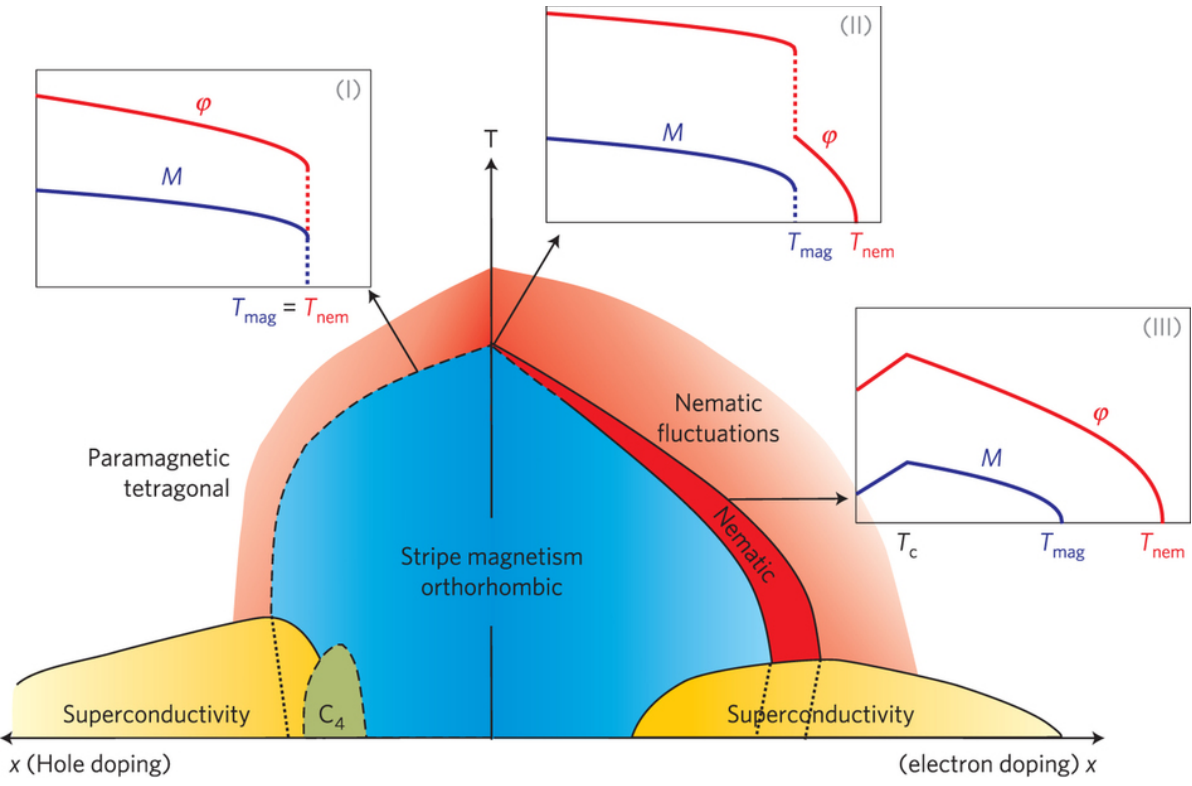
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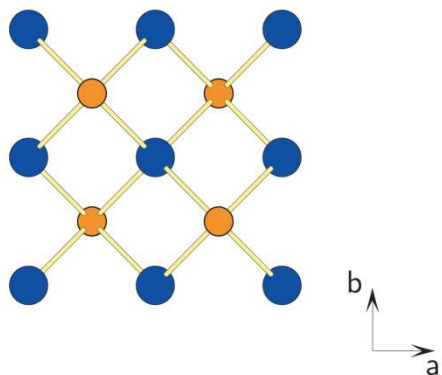
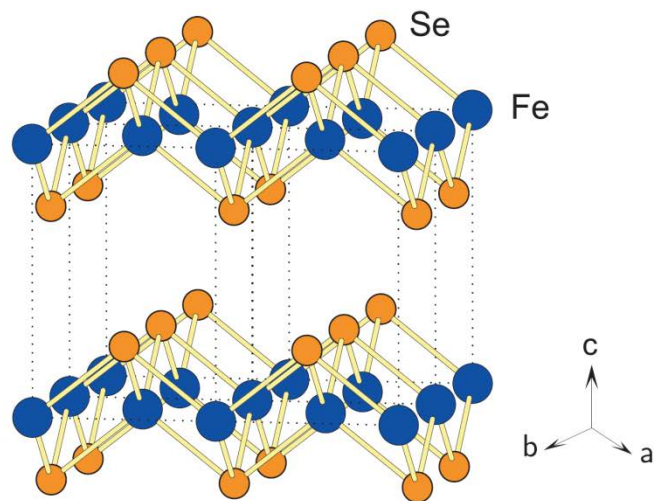


- Nematic order in iron-based superconductors is a well-established experimental fact.
- Origin remains controversial: orbital order or spin-driven Ising-nematic order.

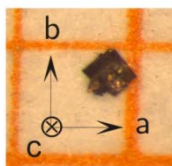
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“Nematic order is in the class of correlation-driven electronic instabilities, like superconductivity and density-wave transitions.”

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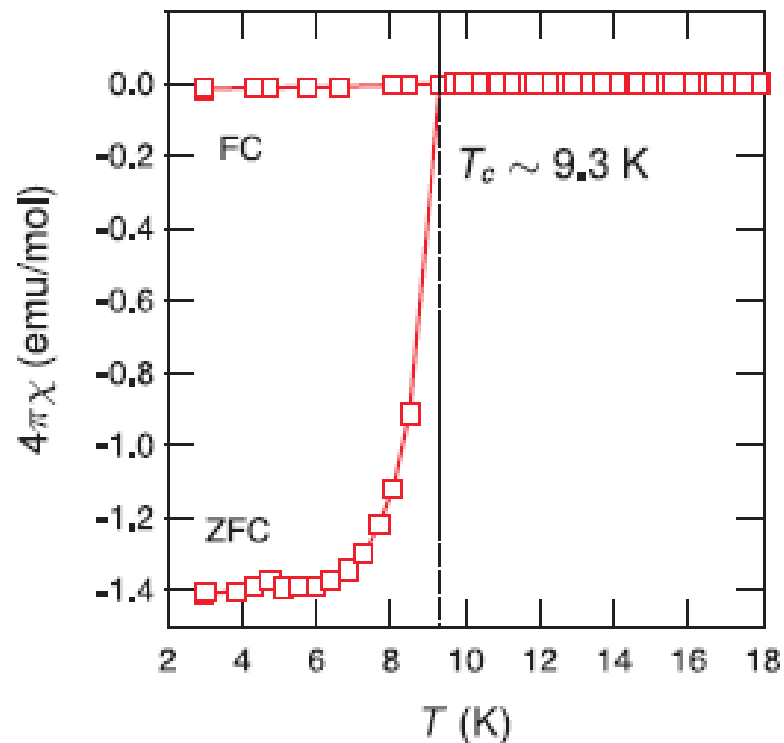


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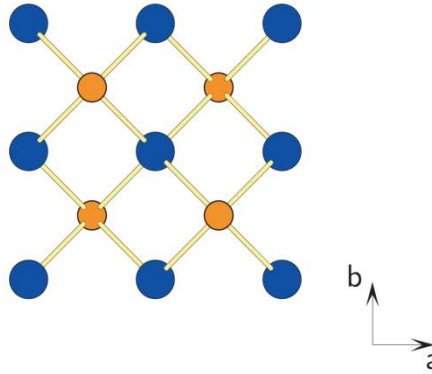
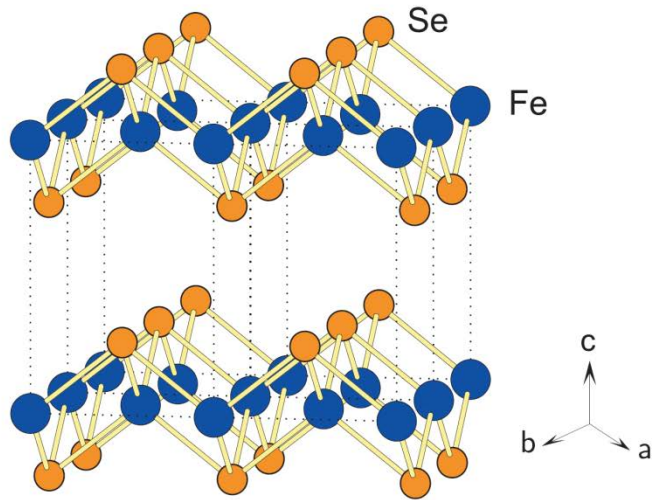


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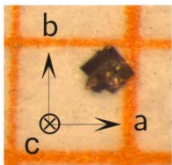
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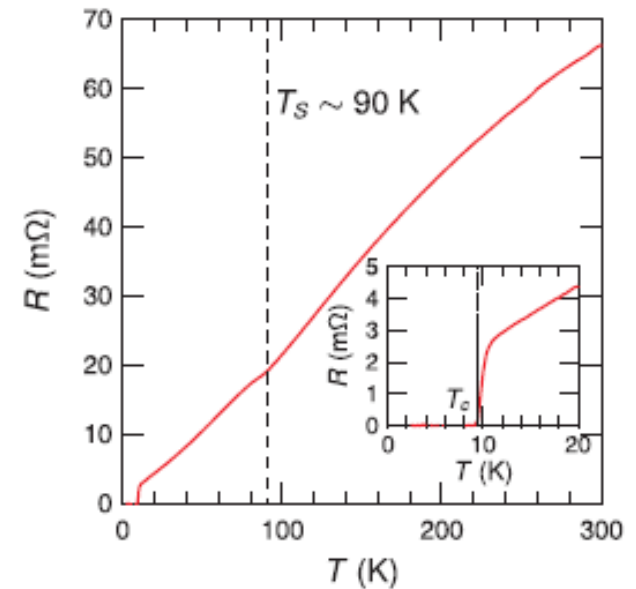


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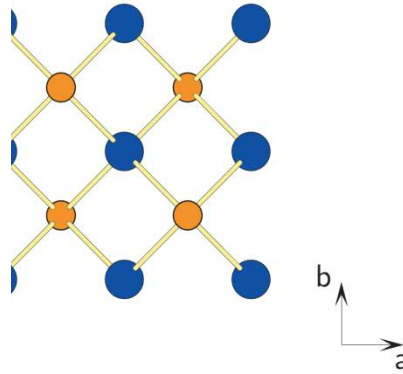
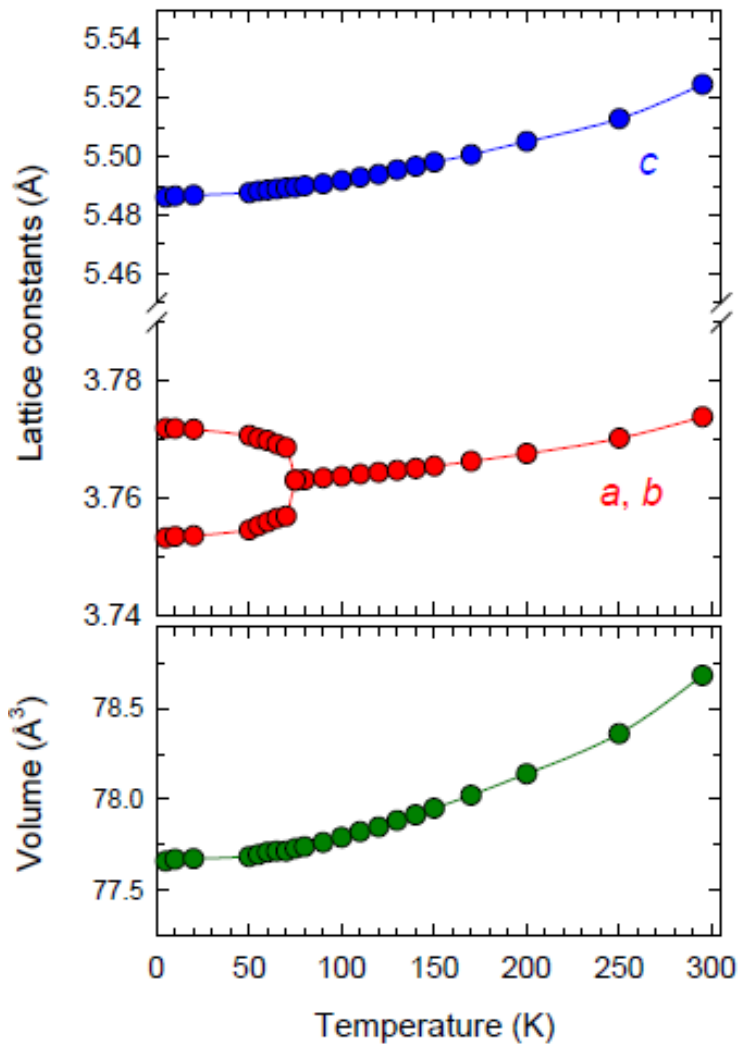


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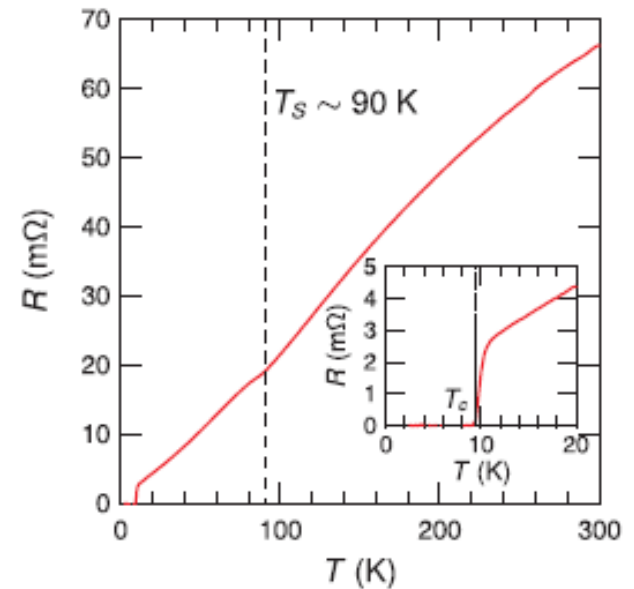
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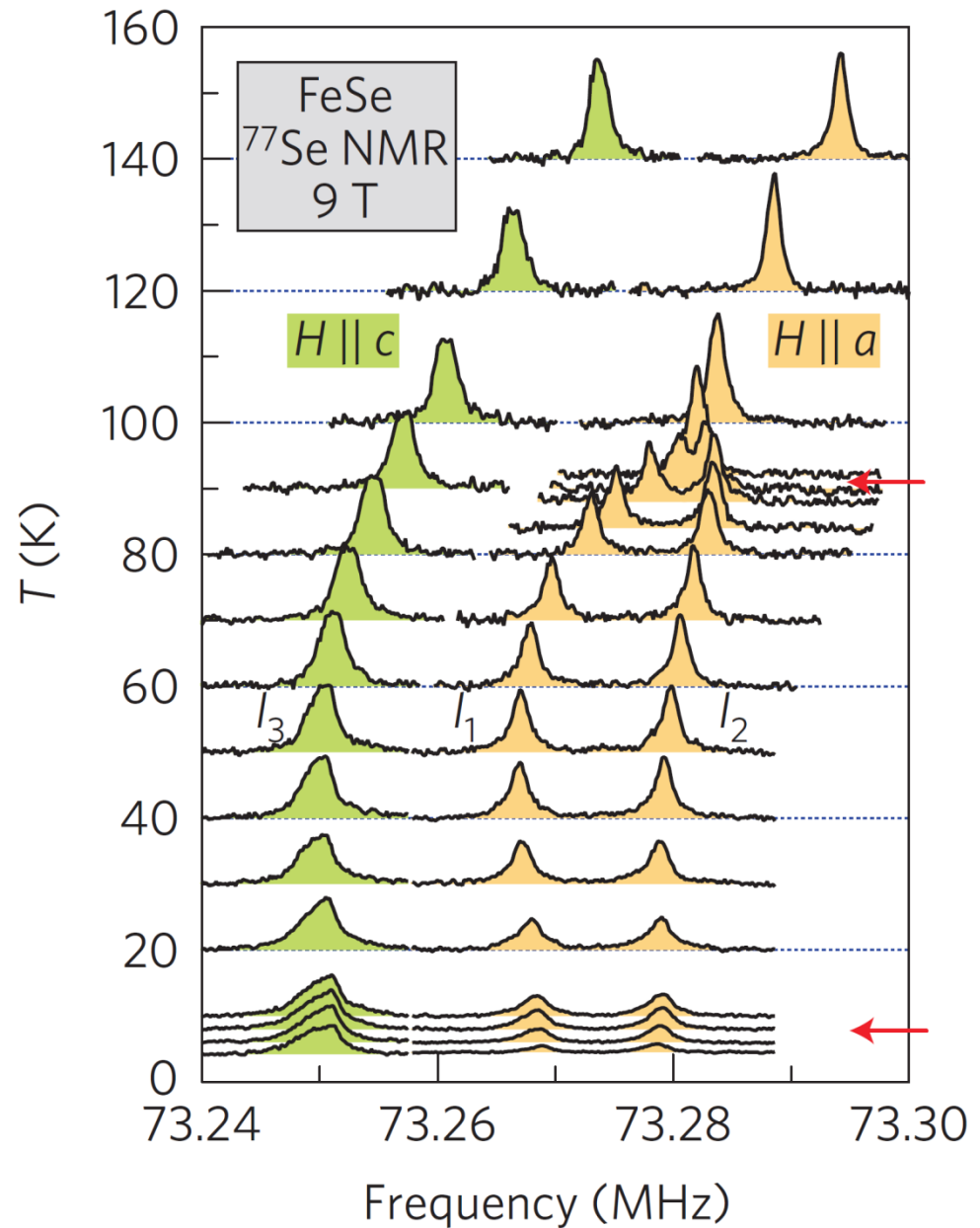
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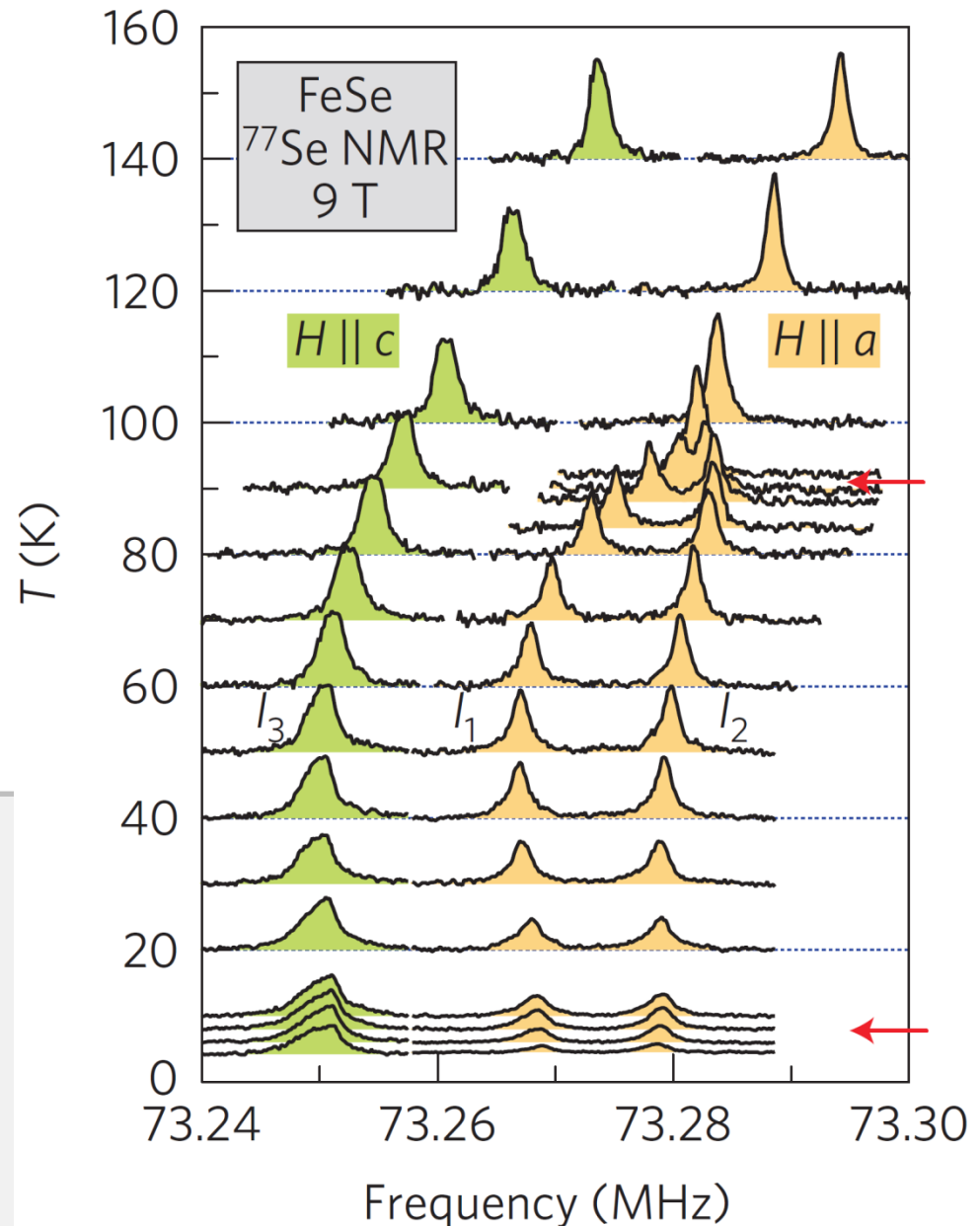
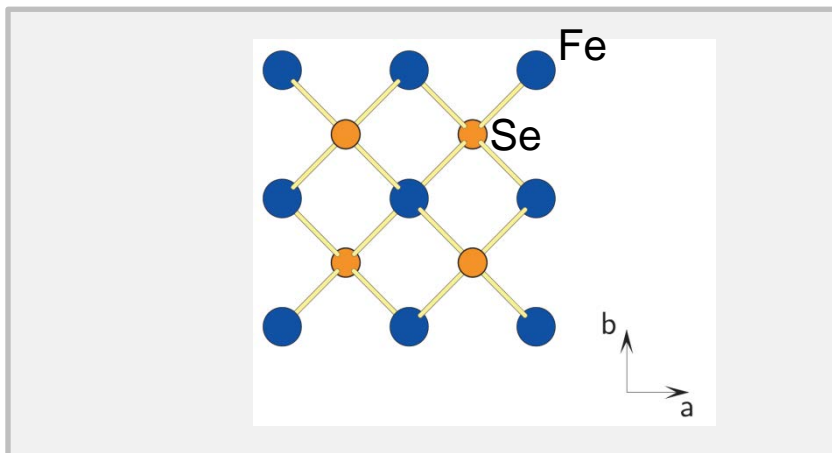
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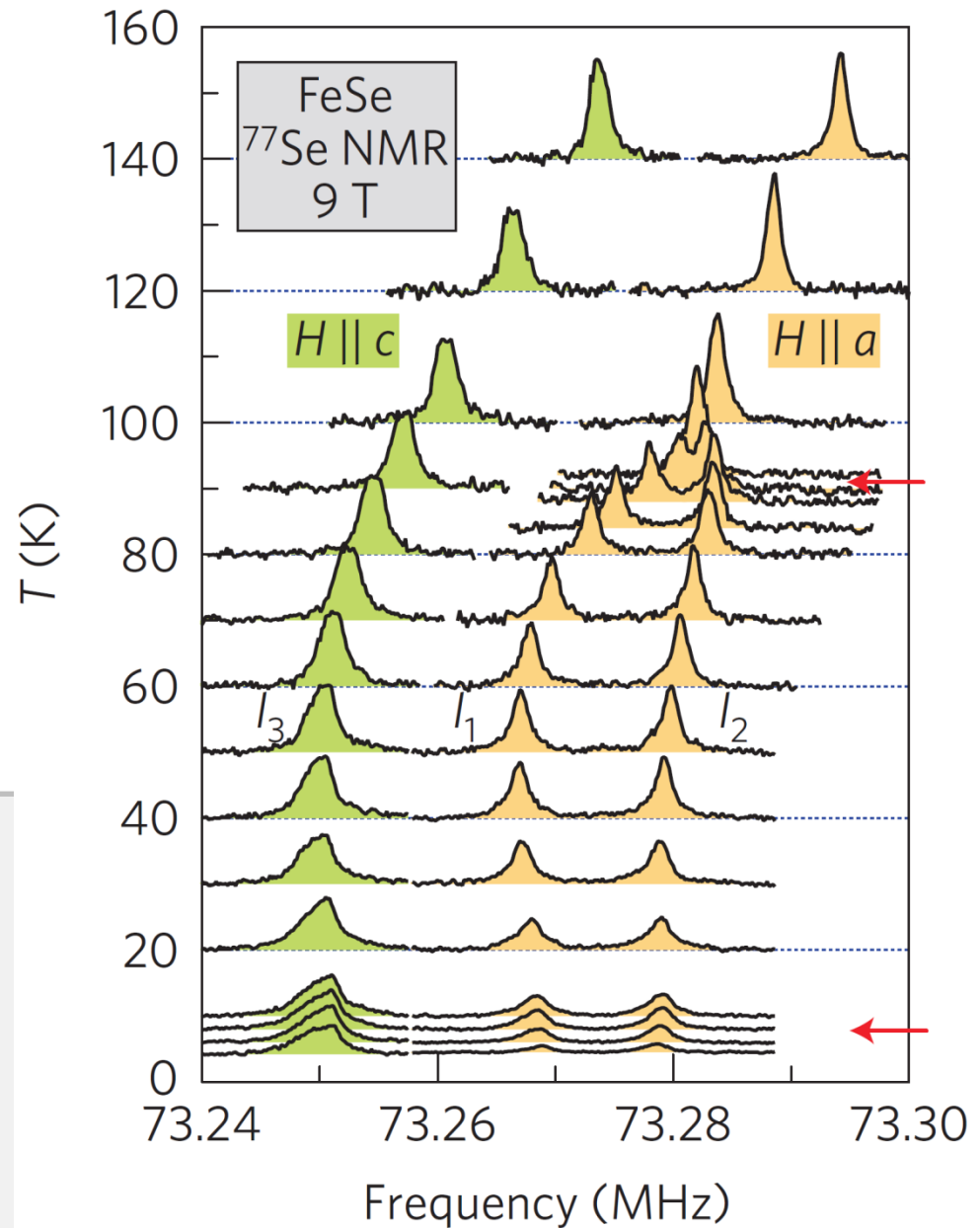
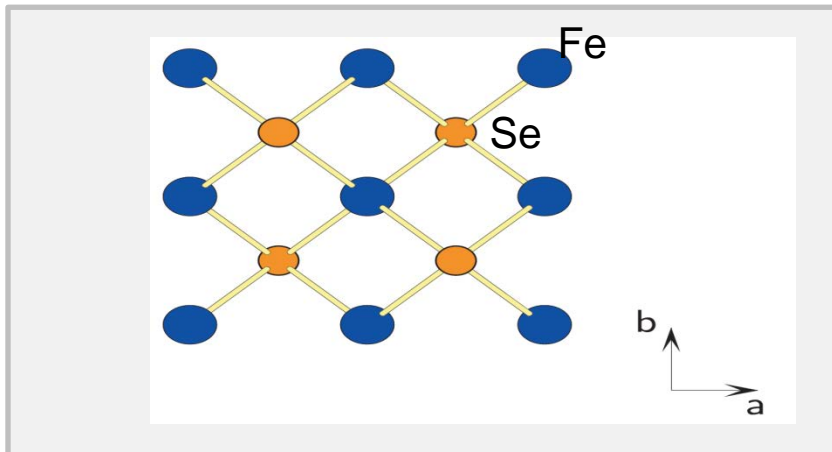
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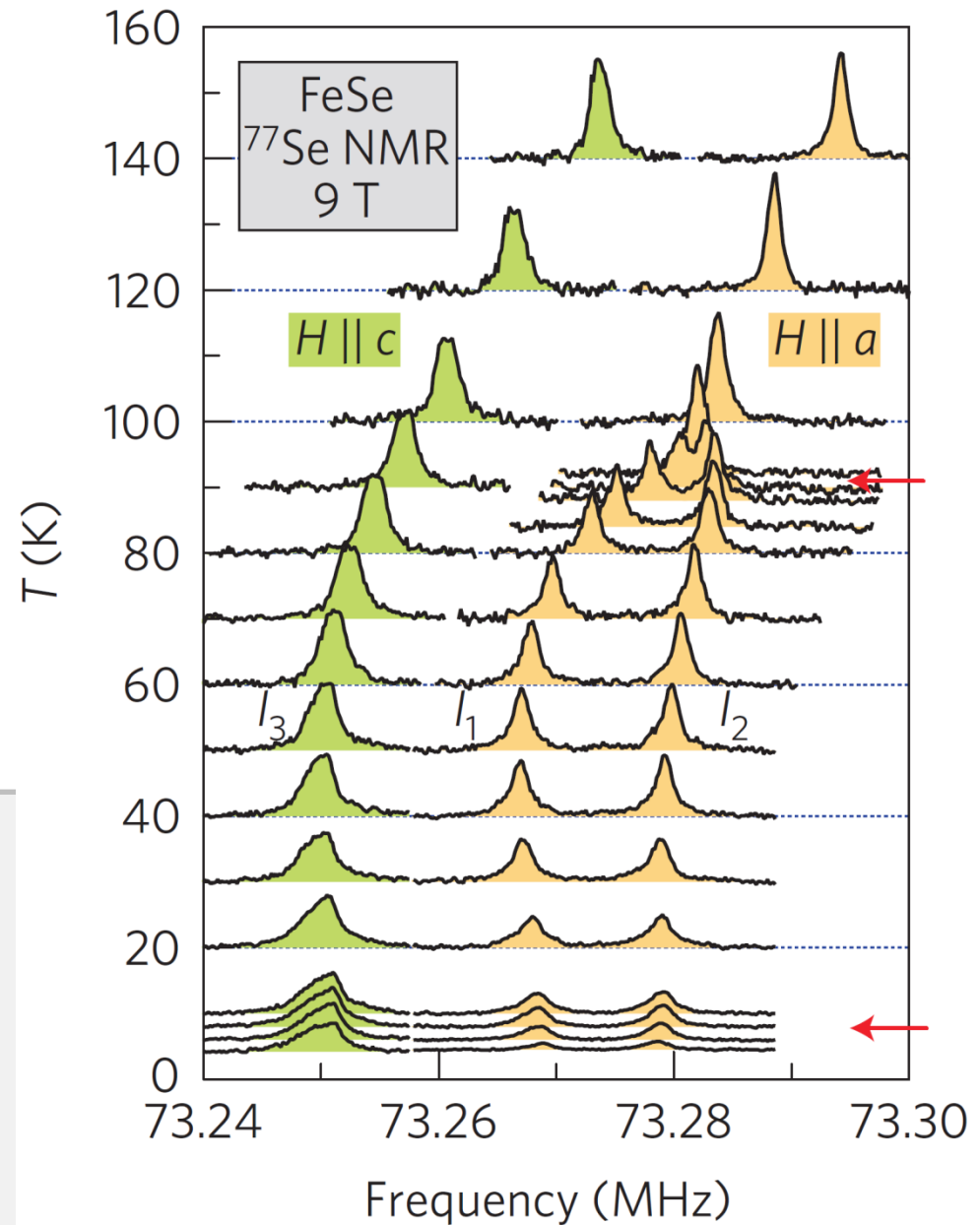
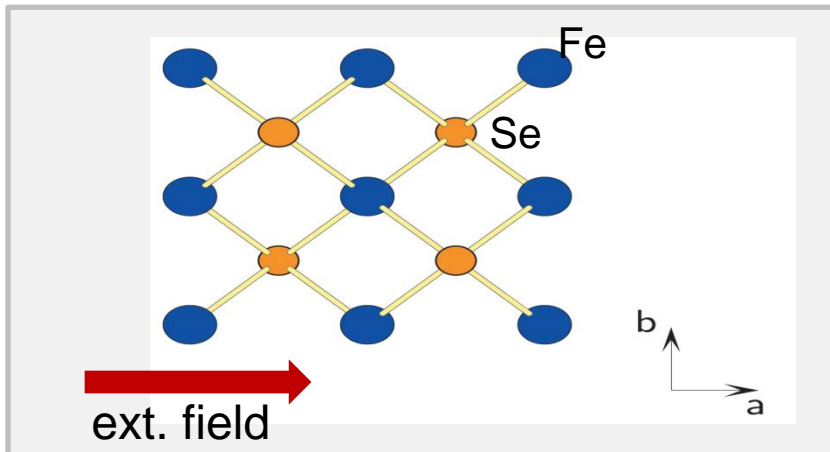
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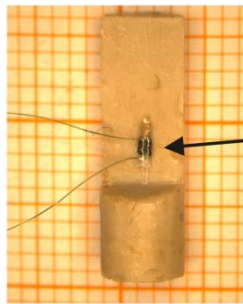
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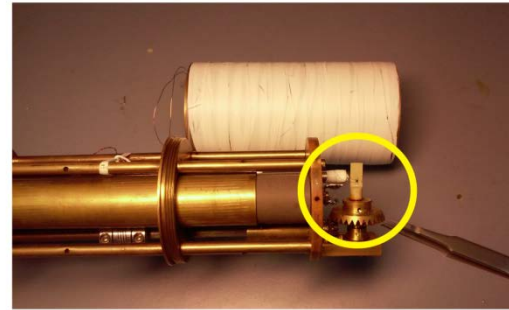
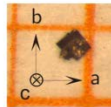
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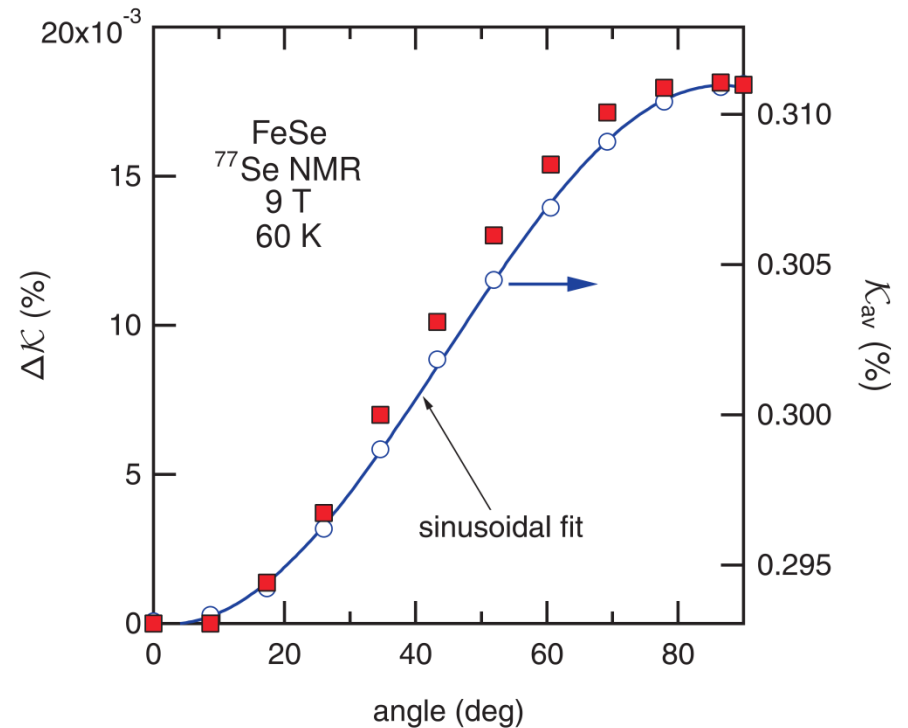
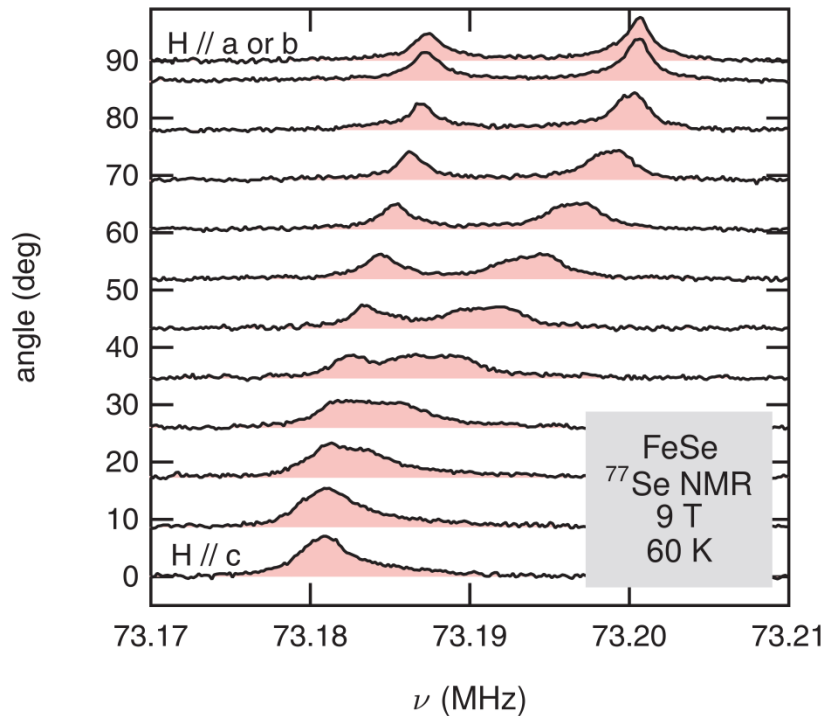
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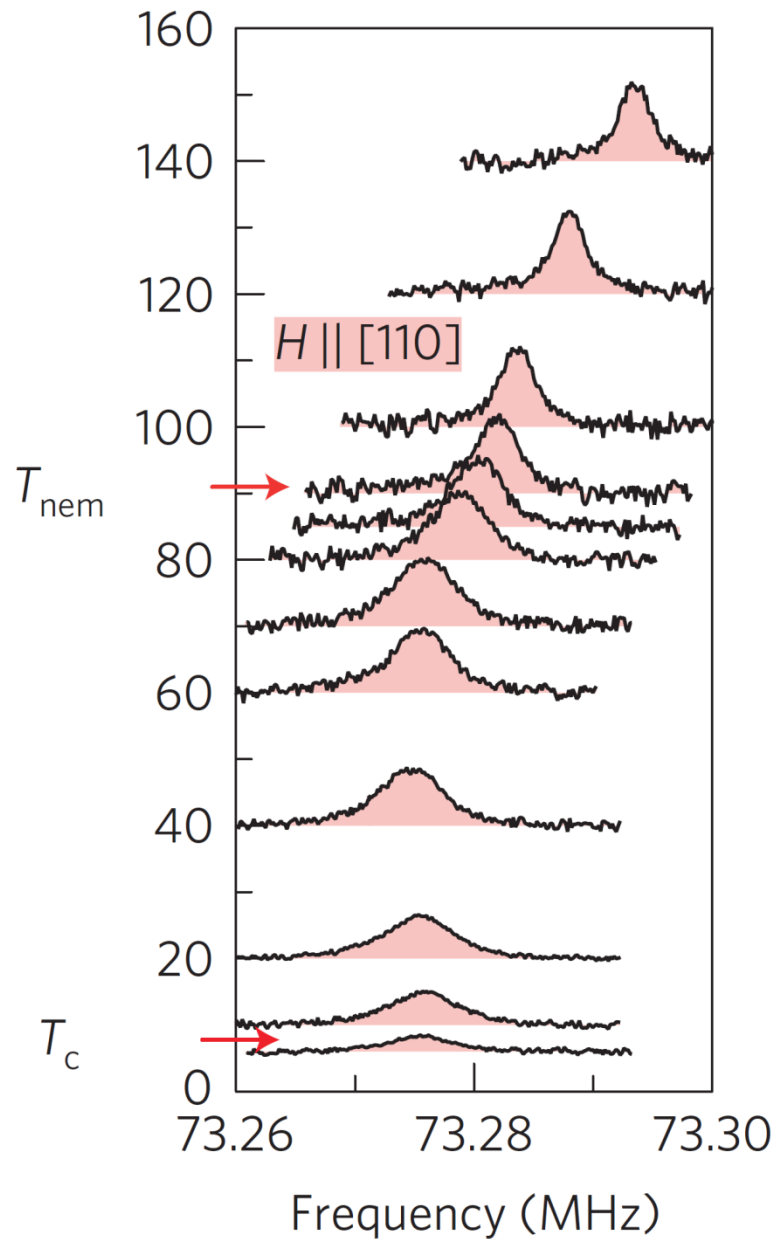
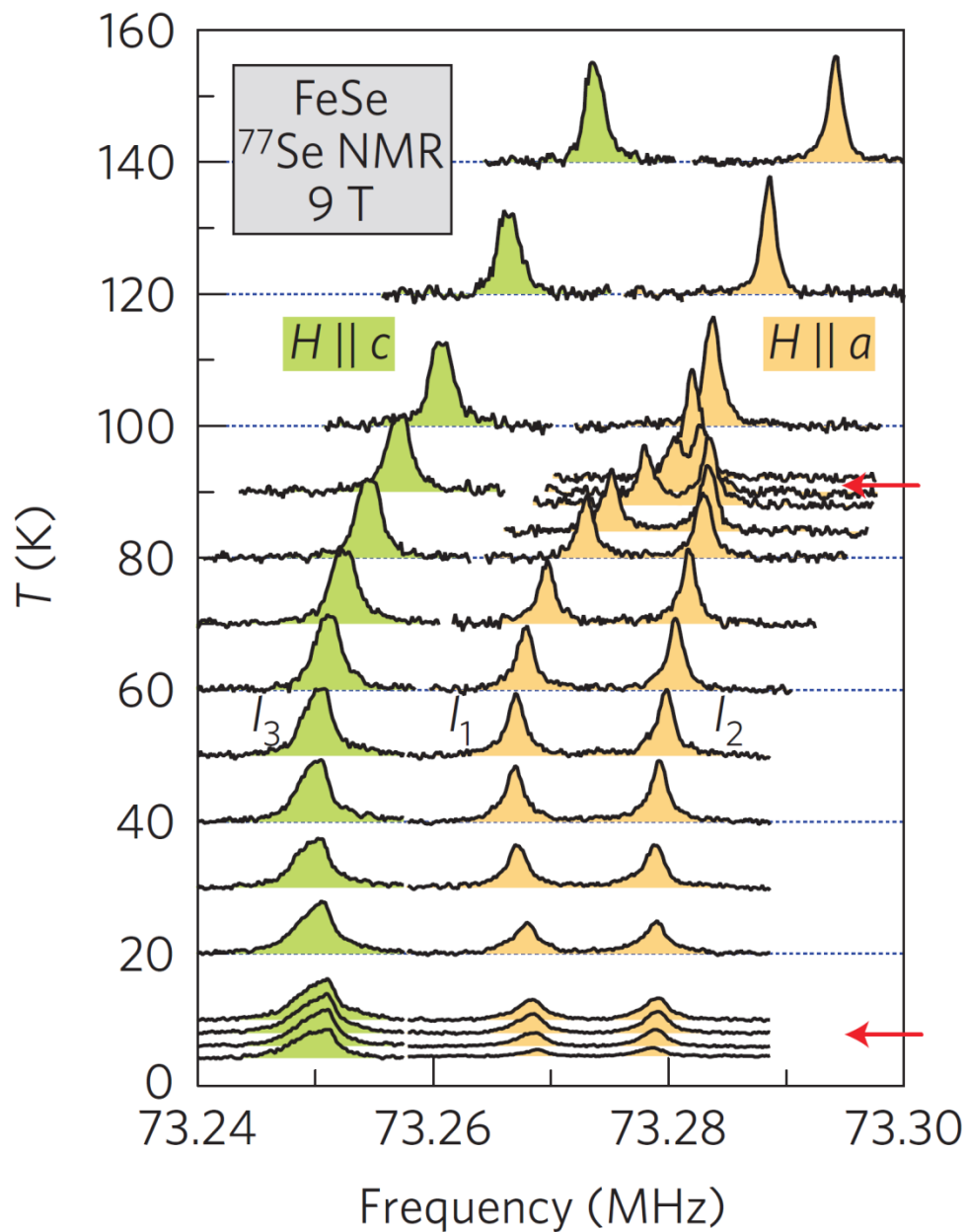
Flat NMR coil with a plate-like FeSe single crystal inside



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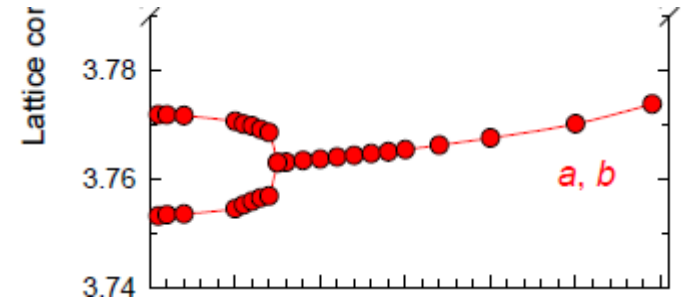
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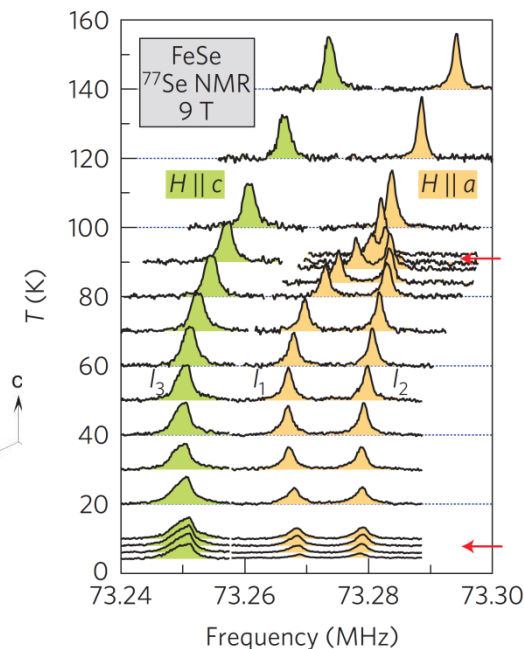
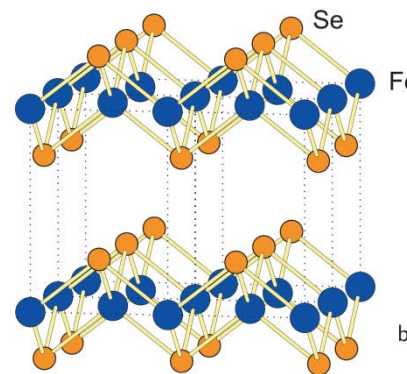
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- Tiny structural distortion
- In-plane anisotropy of κ comparable of to $\kappa_c - \kappa_{a,b}$



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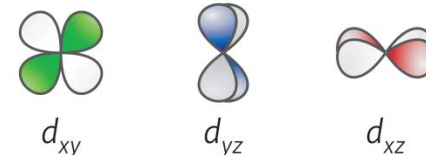
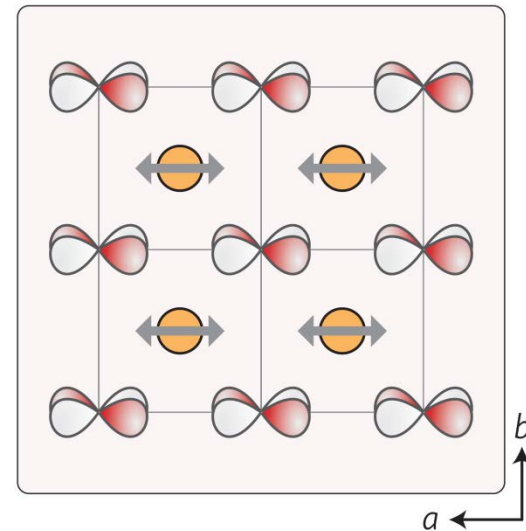
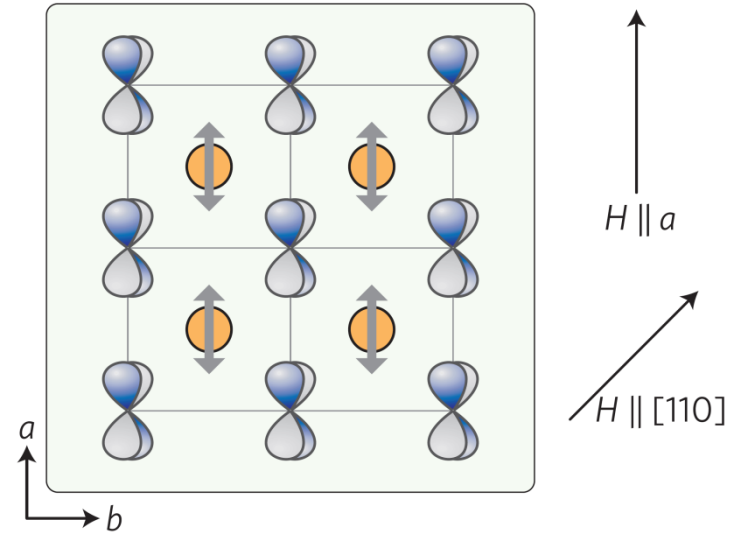
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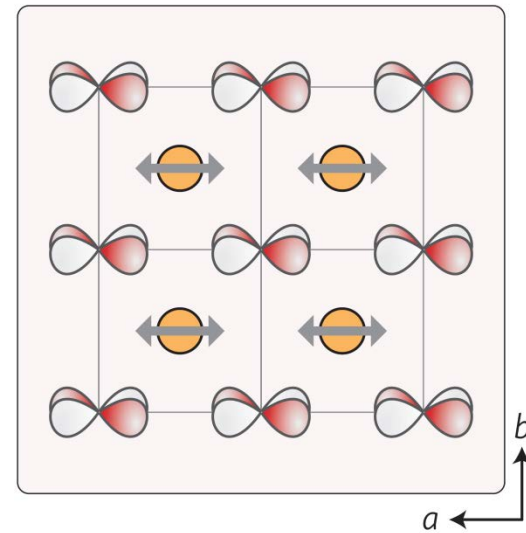
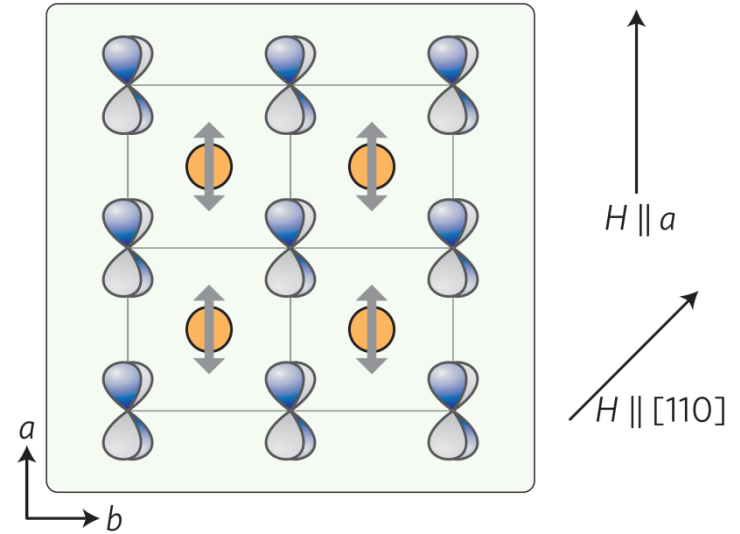
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Order parameter Ψ for ferro-orbital-order
(difference of occupation for d_{xz} , d_{yz} orb.)

$$(A_{\text{hf}}^{\text{xx}} - A_{\text{hf}}^{\text{yy}}) \propto \Psi$$

$$\Delta K \propto \Psi$$

Splitting of NMR lines is a signature of
A ferro- orbital order in FeSe



d_{xy}

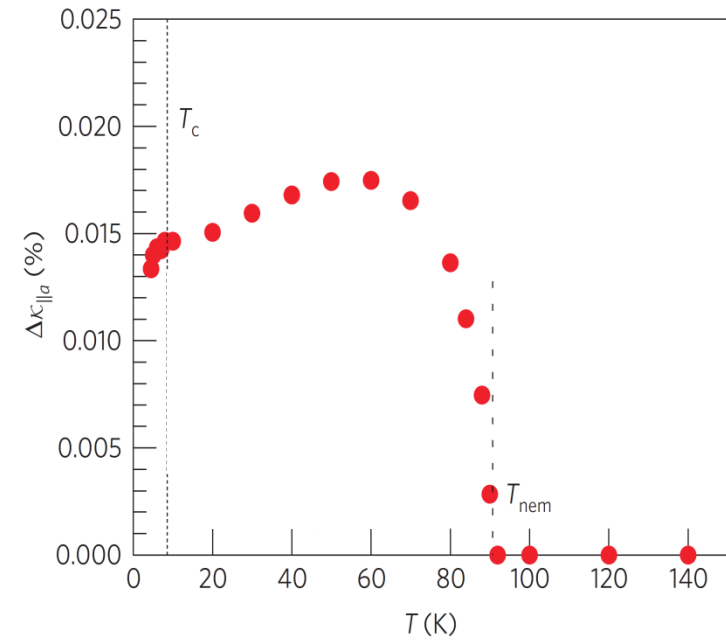
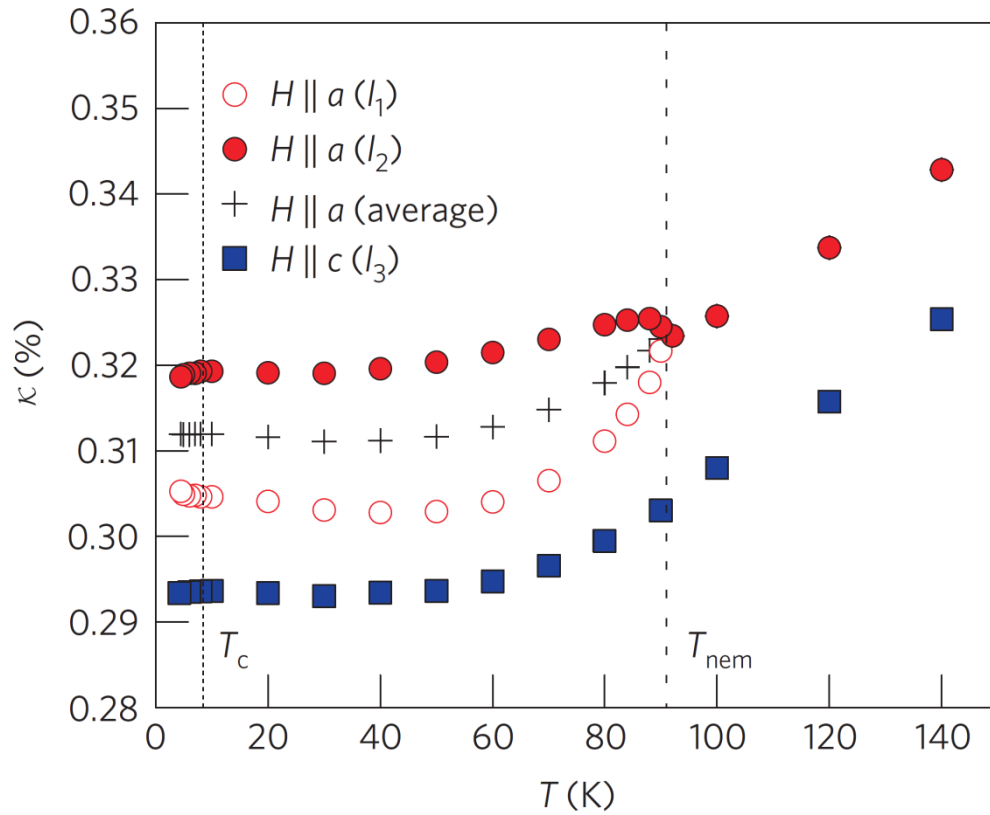


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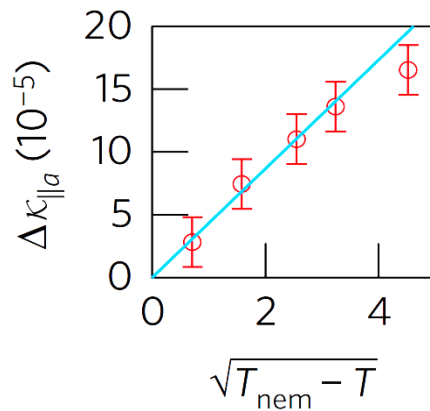
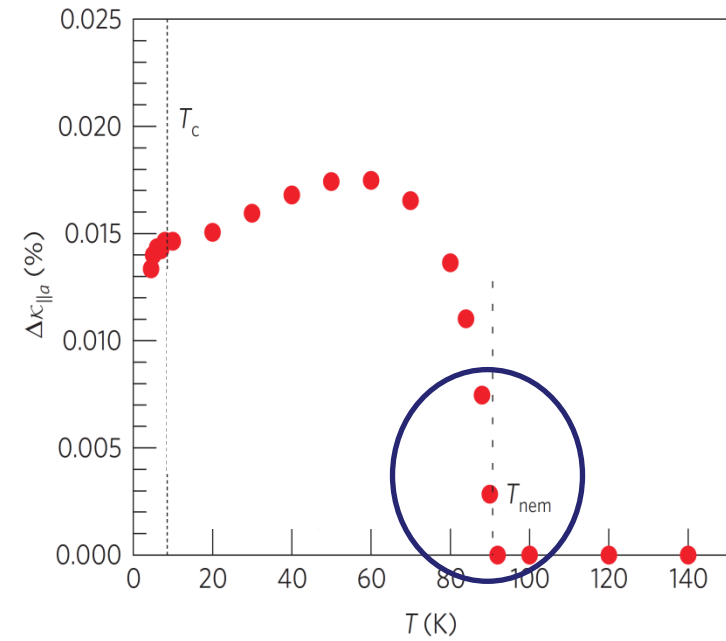
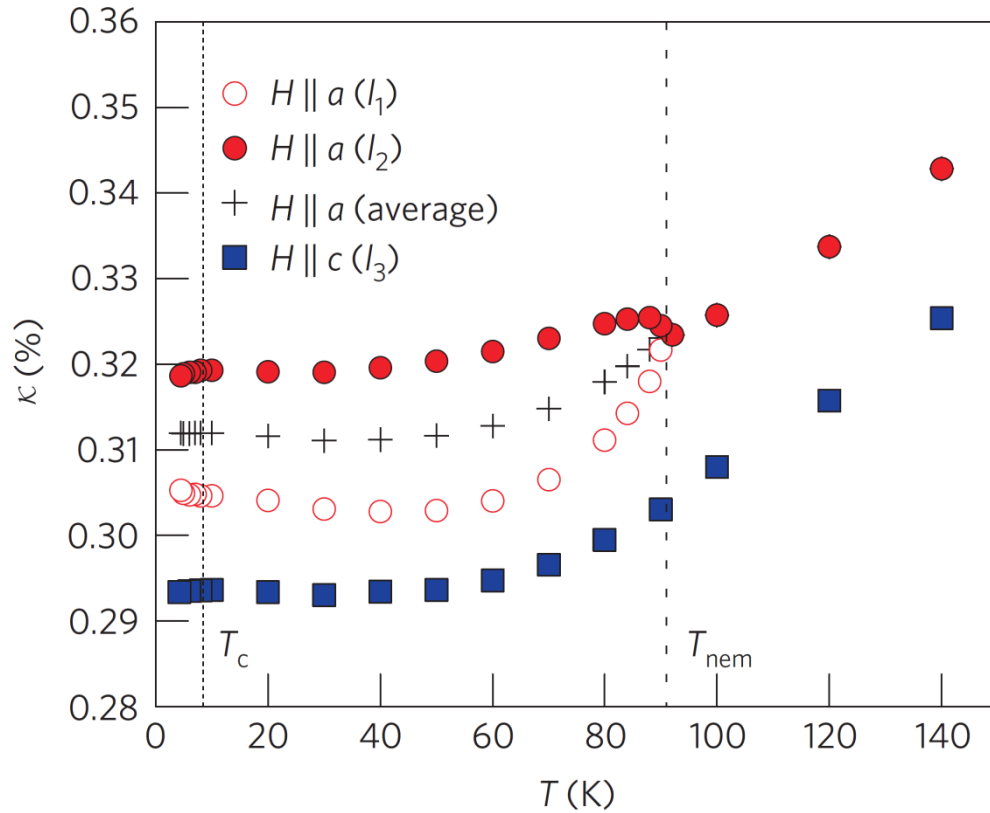


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NMR on FeSe: T dependence of the line splitting

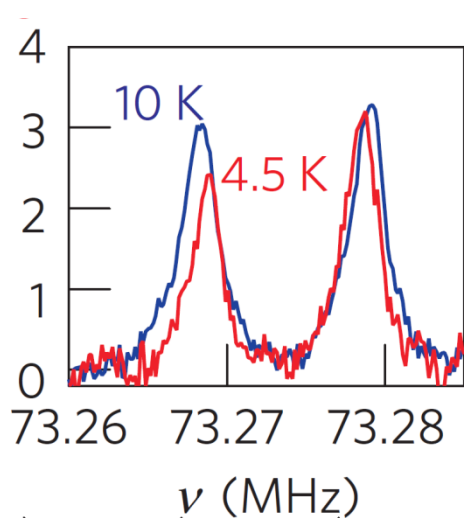
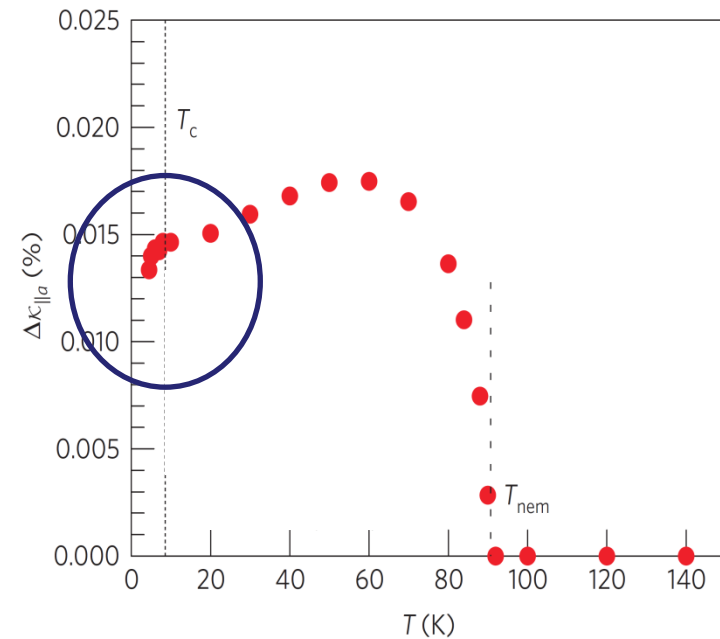
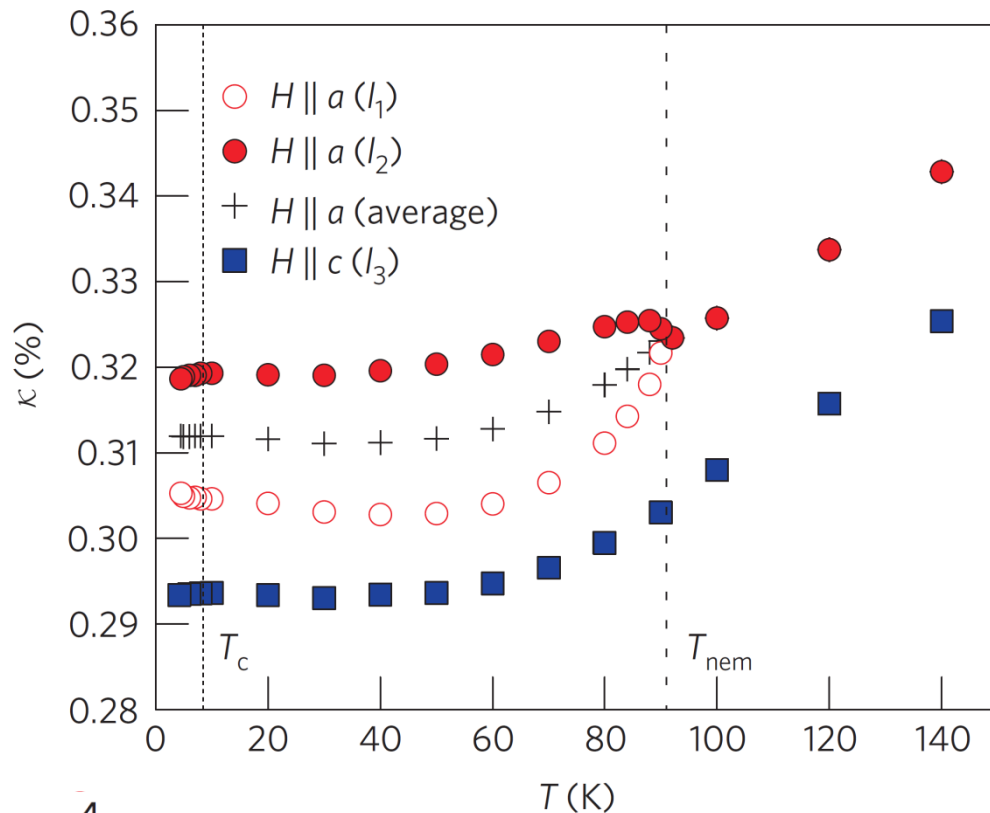


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At T_{nem} : typical behavior of an order parameter

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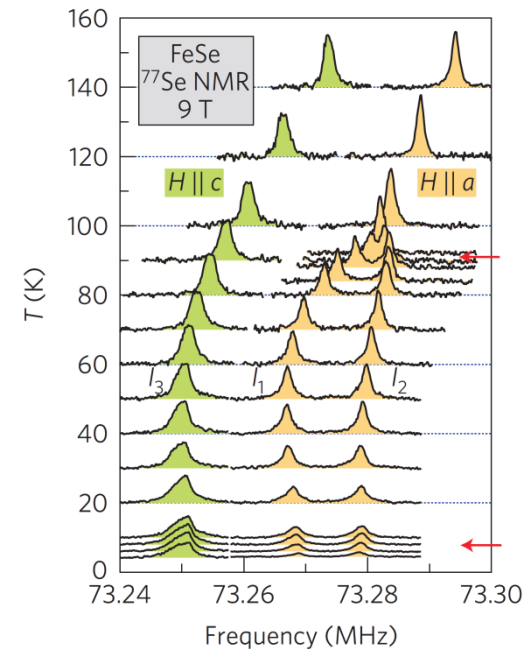
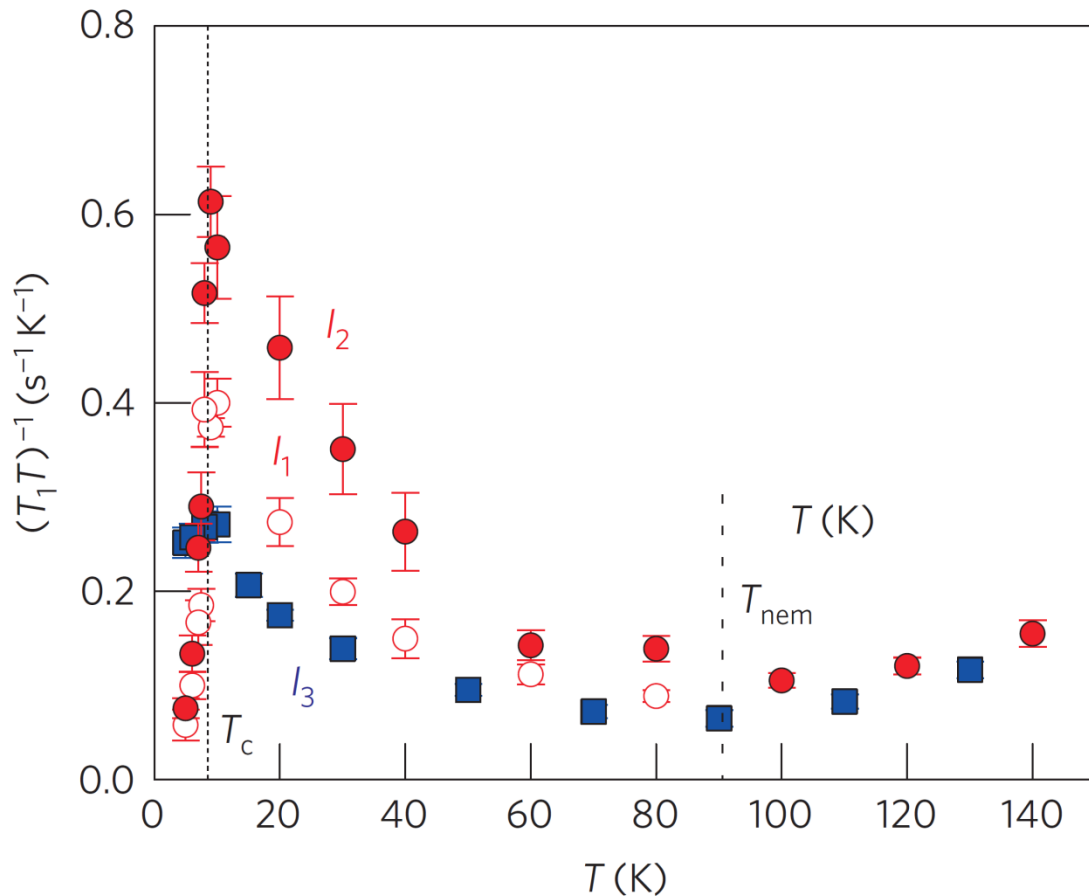


At T_c :

(slight) reduction of line splitting

- typical for competing order parameters (FOO \leftrightarrow SC)
- supporting interpretation with electronic origin of the transition at T_{nem}

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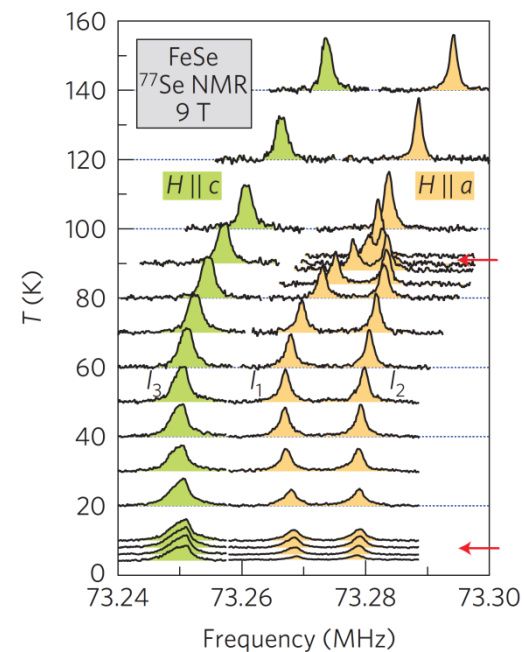
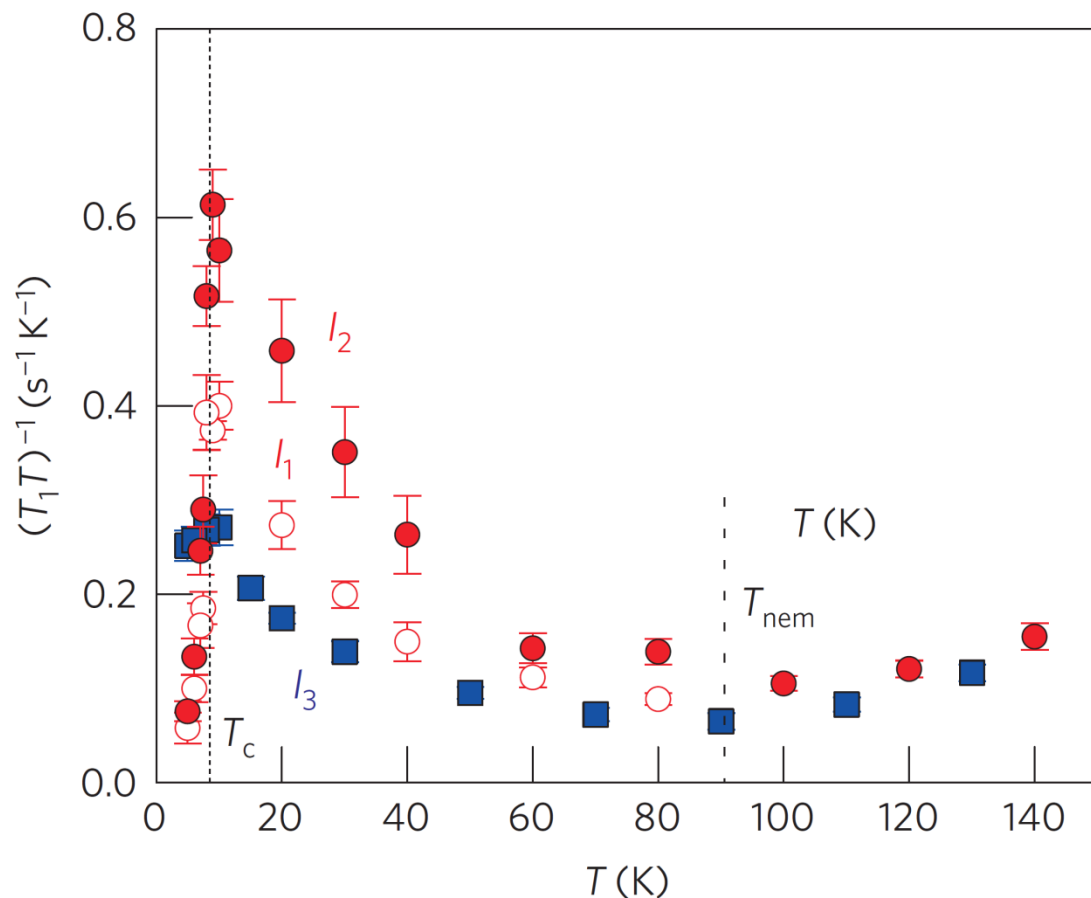


Clear differences of T_1 for the three NMR lines

anisotropic hyperfine coupling: $(T_1 T)^{-1} \propto \sum_{\mathbf{q}} (\mathbf{A}_{hf}(\mathbf{q}))^2 \chi''(\mathbf{q}, \omega) / \omega$

Caution: T dependence of T_1 influenced by T dependent \mathbf{A}_{hf}

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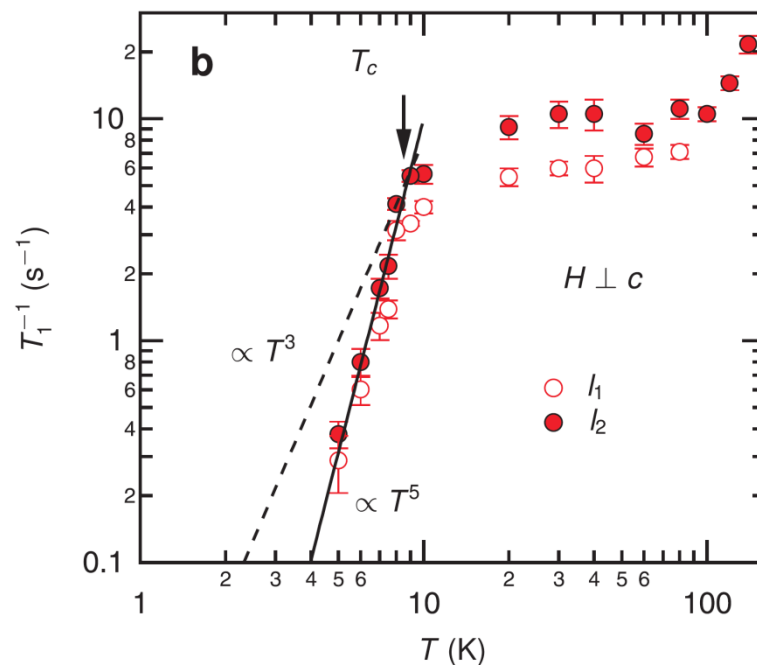
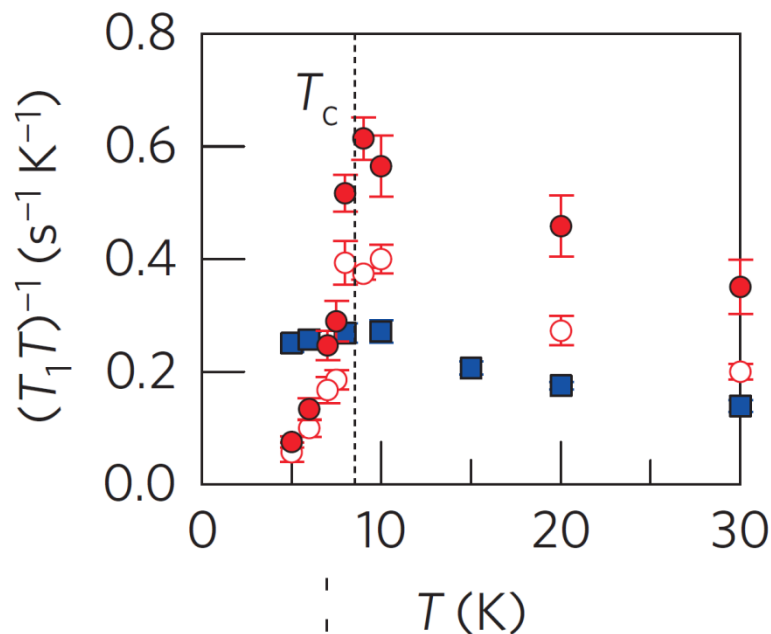


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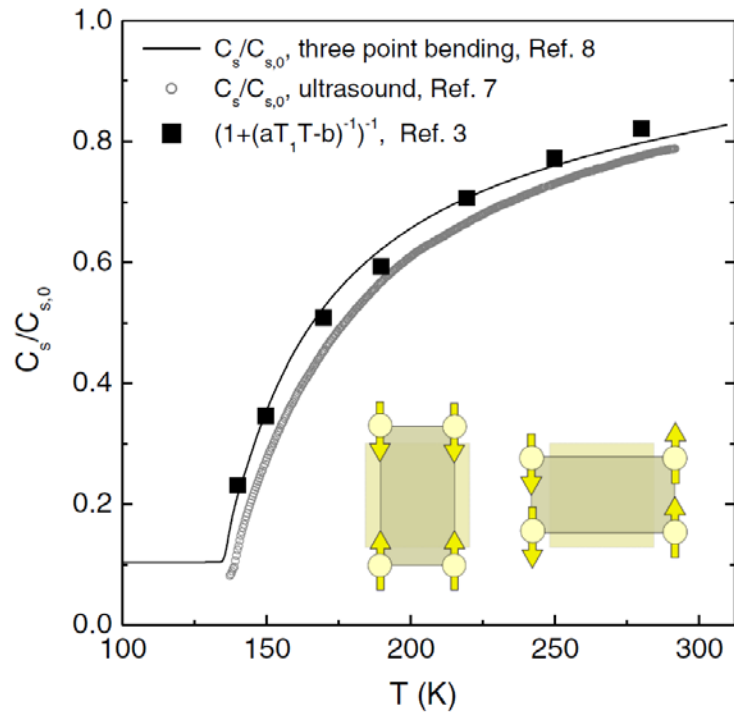


FIG. 1 (color online). Scaling between the shear modulus C_s (open symbols, from Ref. [7], continuous line from Ref. [8]) and the NMR spin-lattice relaxation rate $1/T_1$ (closed symbols, from Ref. [3]) in the tetragonal phase of the parent compound BaFe_2As_2 . $C_{s,0}$ denotes the noncritical, high-temperature shear modulus. The fitting parameters are $a = 0.65 \text{ (sK)}^{-1}$ and $b = 1.3$ in Eq. (2). The inset schematically represents the magnetoelastic coupling, which makes bonds connecting antiparallel (parallel) spins expand (shrink).

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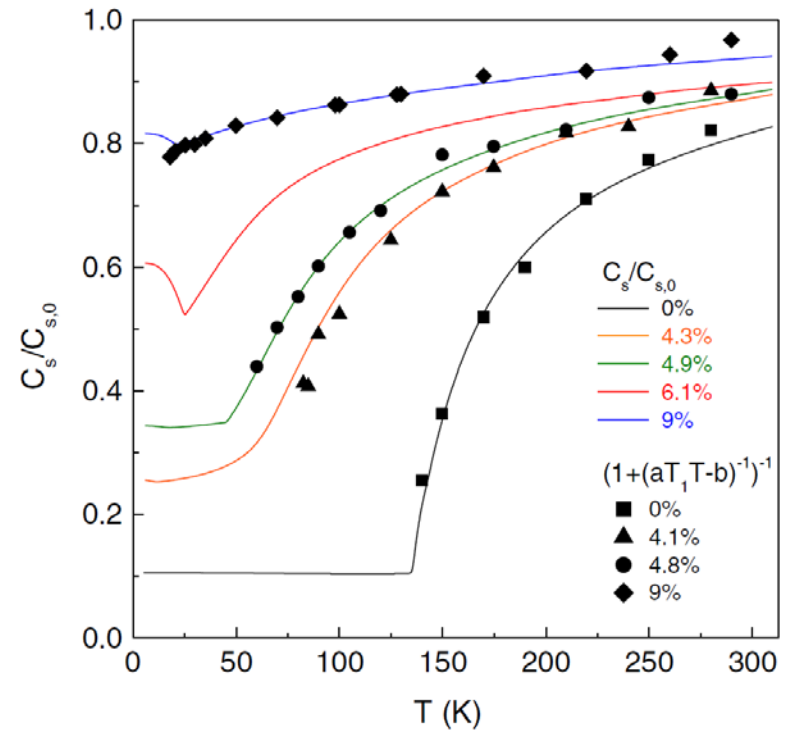
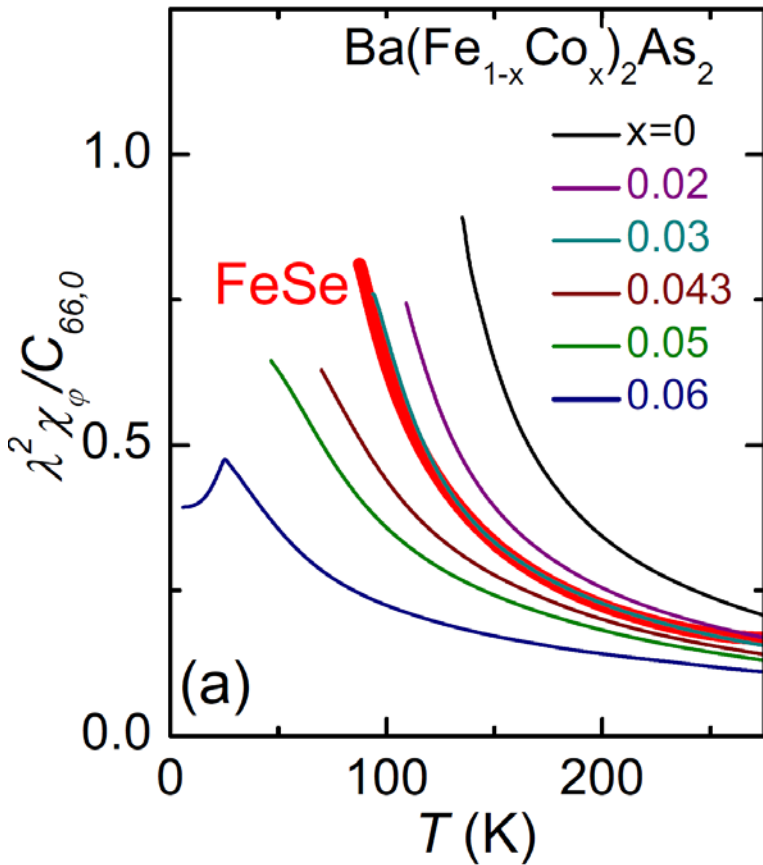


FIG. 2 (color online). Comparison between the relative shear modulus $C_s/C_{s,0}$ (continuous lines, from Ref. [8]) and the rescaled NMR $1/T_1T$ (closed symbols, from Ref. [3]) for different “effective” Co concentrations in $\text{Ba}(\text{Fe}_{1-x}\text{Co}_x)_2\text{As}_2$. The

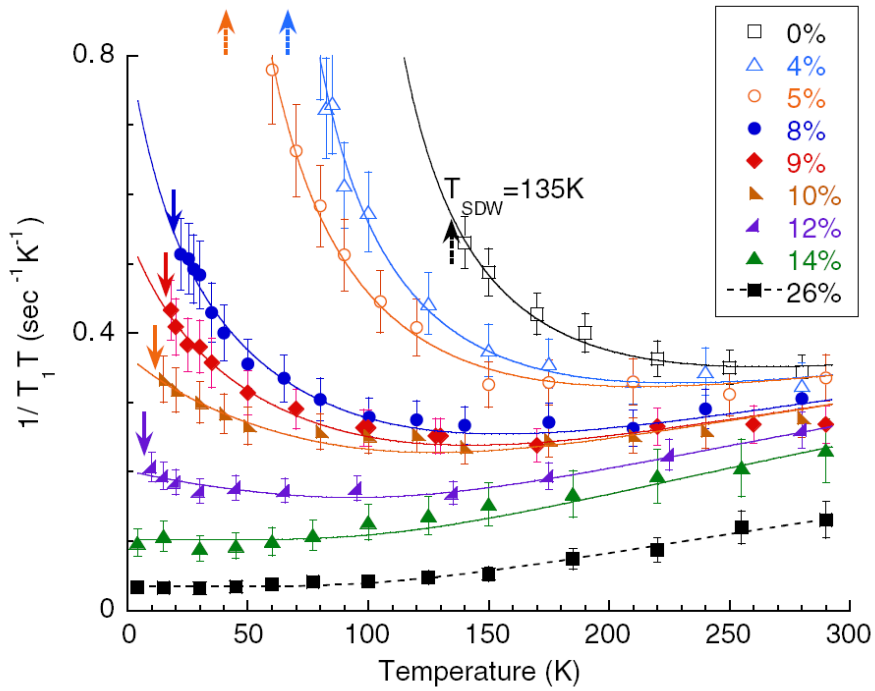
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Elastic constant vs T1 in FeSe



A.E. Böhmer et al., ArXiv: 1407.5497

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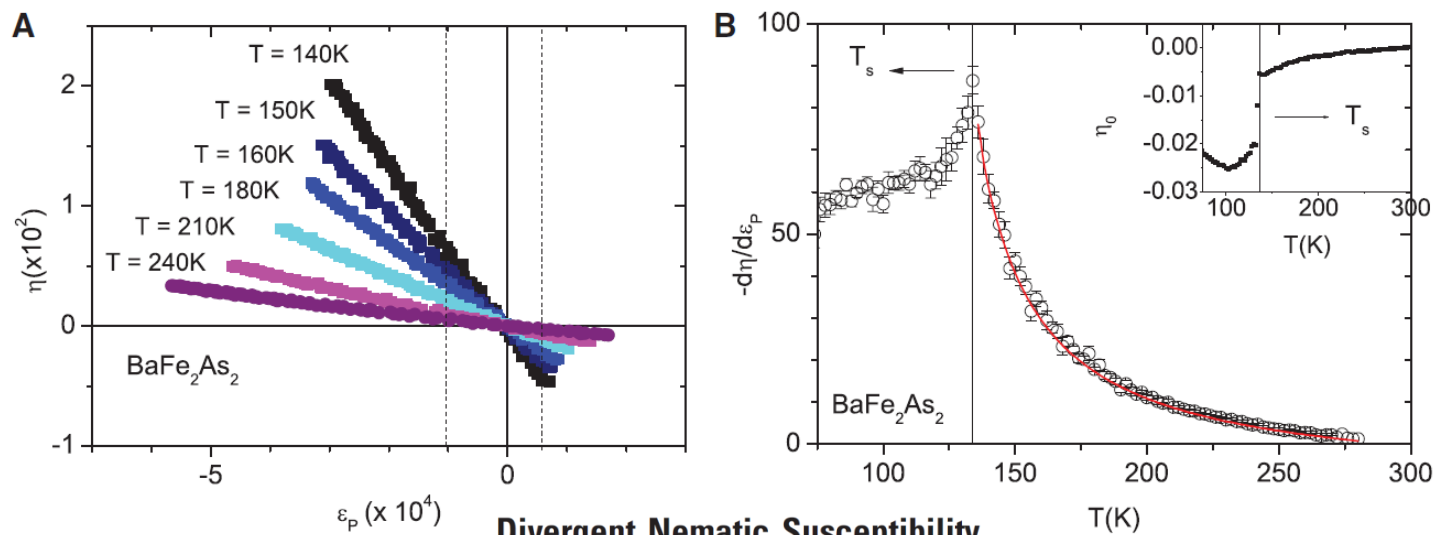


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No evidence for a magnetically driven structural phase transition in FeSe!

Divergent nematic susceptibility in (doped) Ba122

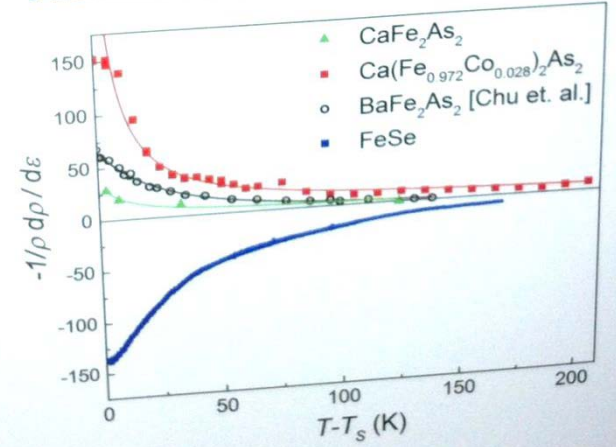
Fig. 2. (A) Representative data for BaFe₂As₂ showing the relative change of resistivity ($\eta = \Delta\rho/\rho_0$) as a function of strain ($\epsilon_p = \Delta L/L$) at several temperatures above T_s . The nematic response was obtained by a linear fit of the data near zero applied voltage [$-5 \times 10^{-5} < \epsilon_p(V) - \epsilon_p(0) < 1 \times 10^{-4}$, indicated by the vertical dashed lines]. **(B)** Temperature dependence of the nematic response $d\eta/d\epsilon_p$. Vertical line indicates the struc-



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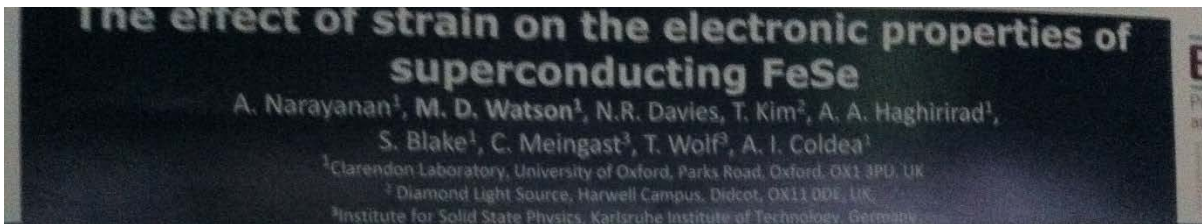
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Measurements in other systems



❖ The absolute amplitude and temperature-dependence is similar to observations in Ba(Fe_{1-x}Co_x)₂As₂. Effect is

Very similar behaviour found in FeSe



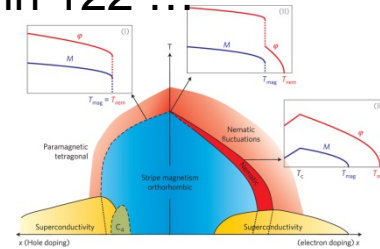
NMR on FeSe: Consequences, Speculations...

Data: FeSe shows orbital order and pronounced nematic fluctuations!

experimental signatures for lattice/electrons similar to findings in 122 ...

but magnetic order and slow spin fluctuations are missing...

→ (conv.) „Spin-driven“ nematicity can be excluded!



Interpretation: Orbital fluctuations are responsible for nematic fluctuations in FeSe!
other possibilities???

Consequence: **There are orbital fluctuations in Fe based superconductors with a pronounced influence on the electronic properties!**

Speculations: **Orbital fluctuations responsible for nematicity in all Fe based sc?**

slowing down of spin-fluctuations (& lattice) as secondary effect

Orbital fluctuations crucial for superconductivity?

- Orbital \leftrightarrow lattice: large T_c in FeSe (pressure, monolayers)
- Orbital fluctuations mediate pairing in FeSe (and ...)
→ theories by Kontani et al., etc. ... s $^{+}/+$ instead of s $^{+}/-$

NMR on FeSe -- CONCLUSIONS

- clear signatures of the structural transition in the NMR (splitting of lines)
- pronounced anisotropy of the hyperfine coupling suggesting orbital order
- angular dependence of the NMR signal consistent with ferro-orbital order similar to that in other Fe based superconductors
- signatures of a competition between orbital order and superconductivity
- structural phase transition (orbital order) decoupled from magnetic instability
- **Clear evidence for nematic electronic order in FeSe**
but no evidence of a magnetic origin of this order

Orbital-driven nematicity in FeSe

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