

Unconventional SC and order parameter symmetry thermodynamic and transport measurements.

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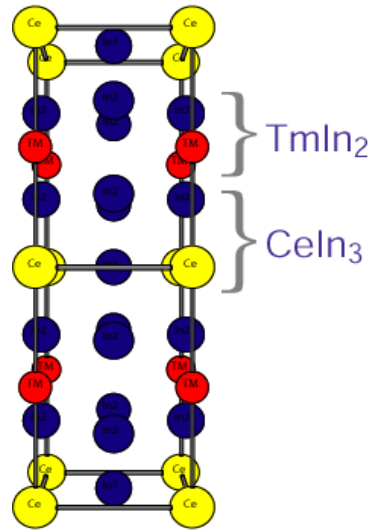
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- Previous investigations of thermal conductivity and specific heat of CeCoIn_5 in rotating magnetic field. – thermal conductivity with heat current $J \parallel [100]$
- Four-fold oscillation term is sensitive to band structure and varies (even sign) in the H-T plane.
- Thermal conductivity with $J \parallel [110]$: rich response to field rotation
- Resonances of thermal conductivity for $H \parallel J$ ($\Theta = 0$) and for $\Theta = 33^\circ$.
- $\Theta = 33^\circ$ at present is a mystery!!!

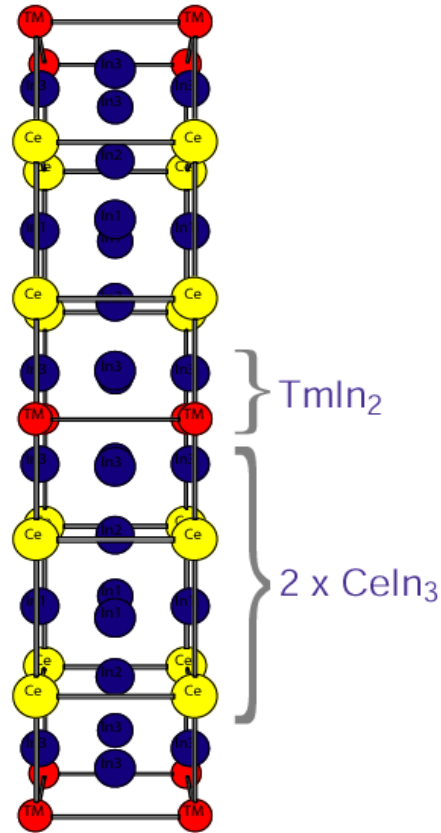
Crystal structures of the $Ce_nTm_mIn_{3n+2m}$ family

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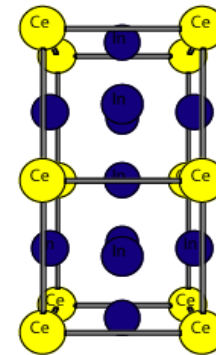
$CeTmIn_5$

Superconductors,
 T_c up to 2.3 K at
 ambient pressure



Ce_2TmIn_8

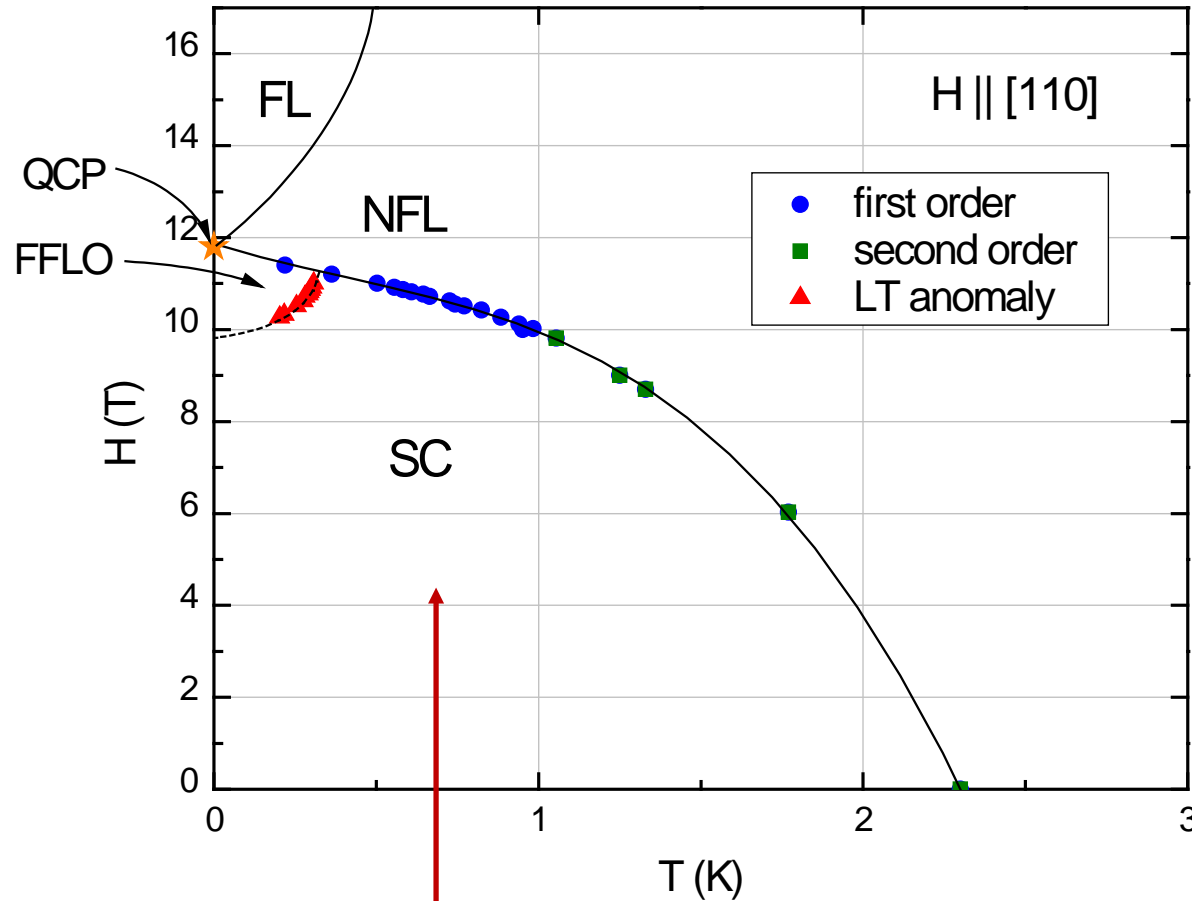
Tm = Rh, Co, or Ir



$CeIn_3$

$T_c < 200$ mK
 $P \sim 25$ kbar

H-T phase diagram of CeCoIn₅



Complex phase diagram :

1. coinciding QCP and H_{c2}
2. superconducting transition itself changes from second to first order
3. a new phase in the High Field-Low Temperature HFLT corner of SC phase.

Q's:

- origin of QCP?
- HFLT - possibly FFLO?
- relation between HFLT and QCP and its underlying magnetism?

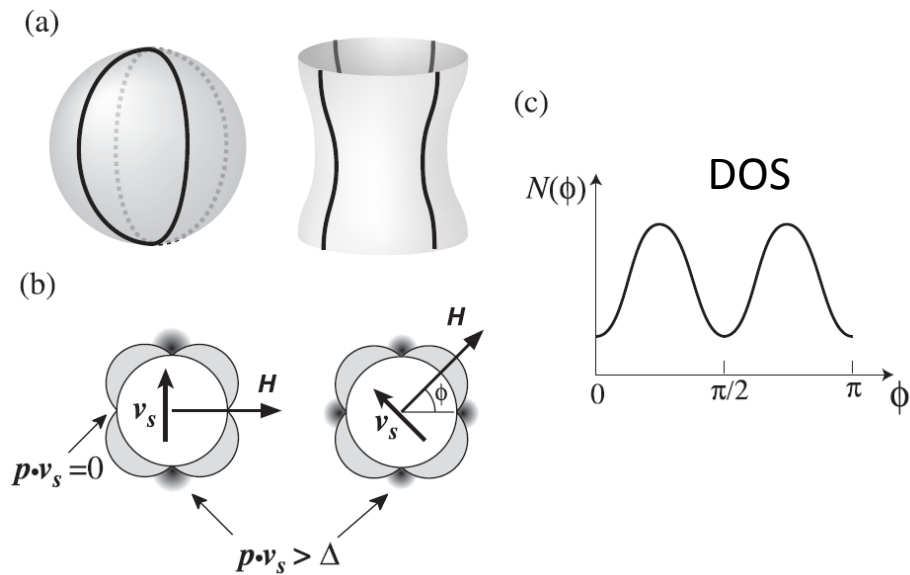
In this talk focus on the uniform superconducting SC part of the phase diagram.

Angle resolved thermal transport measurements

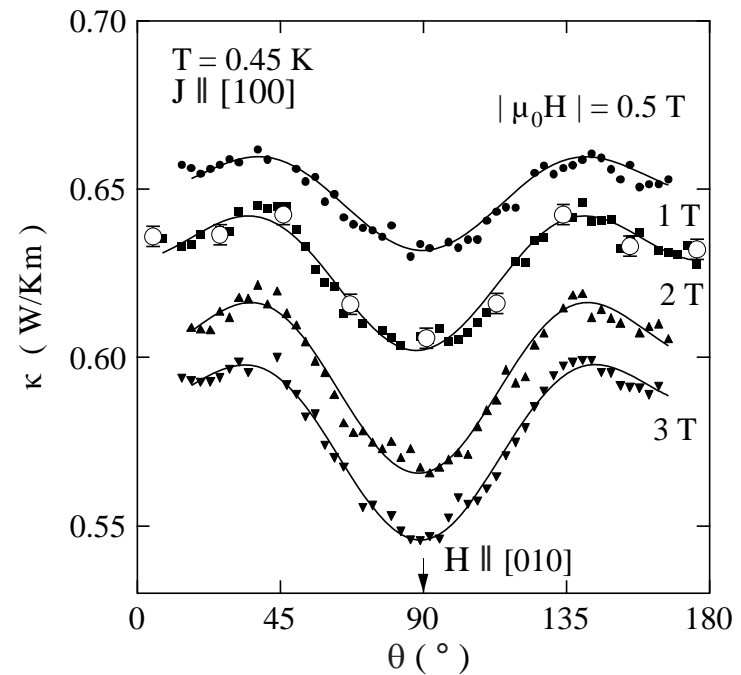
Doppler shift of the quasiparticle spectrum

$$\varepsilon(\mathbf{k}) \rightarrow \varepsilon(\mathbf{k}) - \hbar \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{v}_s$$

In the presence of supercurrent v_s , the energy of a quasiparticle with momentum \mathbf{k} is Doppler shifted.



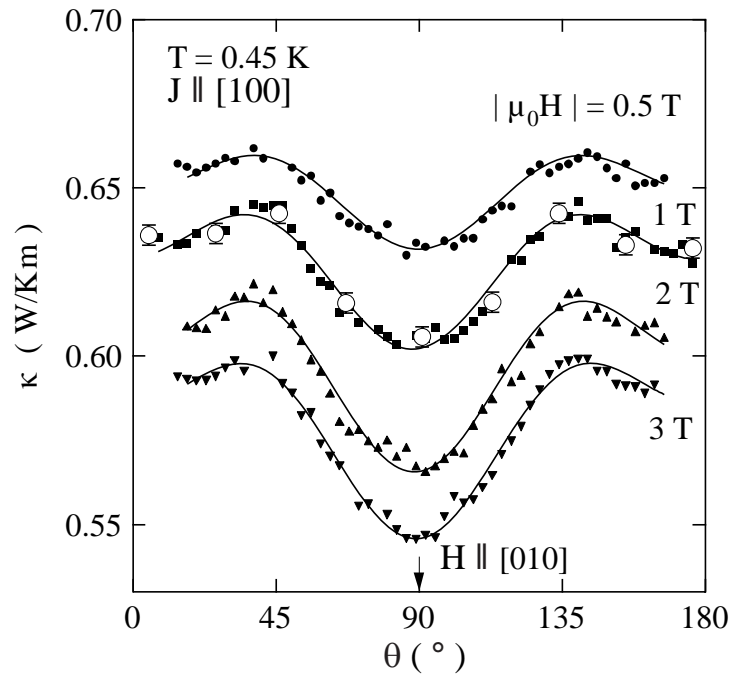
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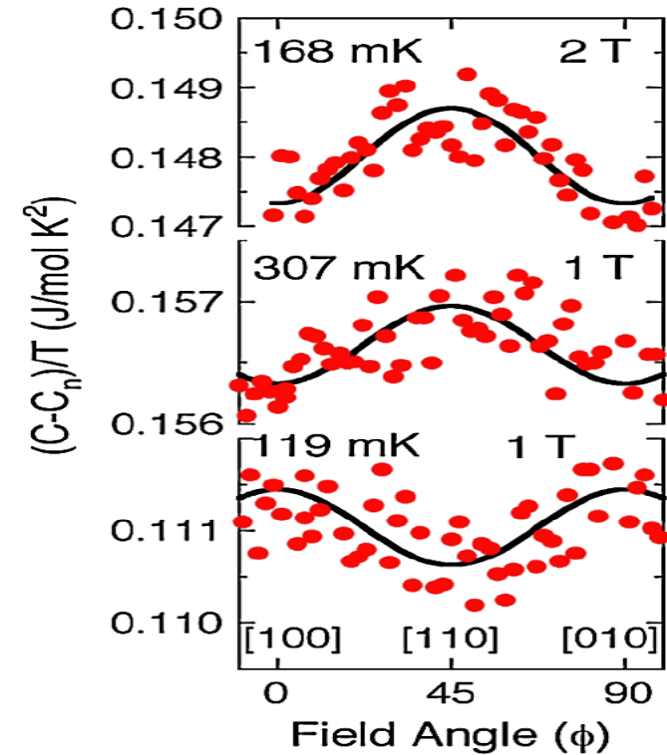
Field-Angle dependent Thermal Conductivity and specific heat of CeCoIn₅

Heat current $J \parallel [100]$



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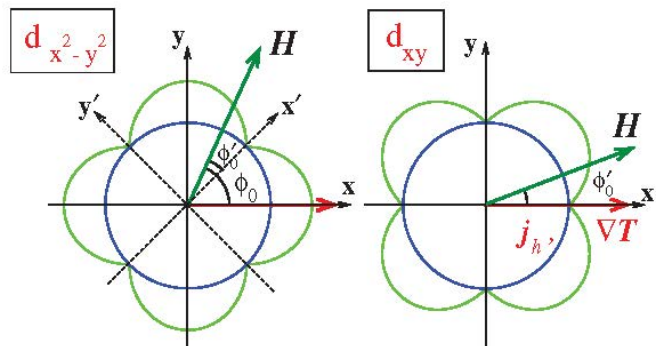
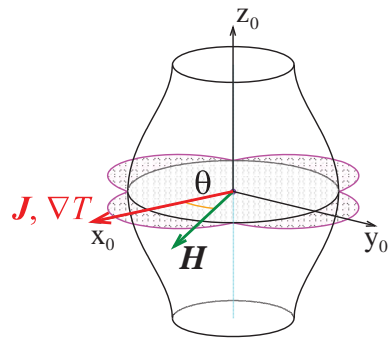
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!!! problem

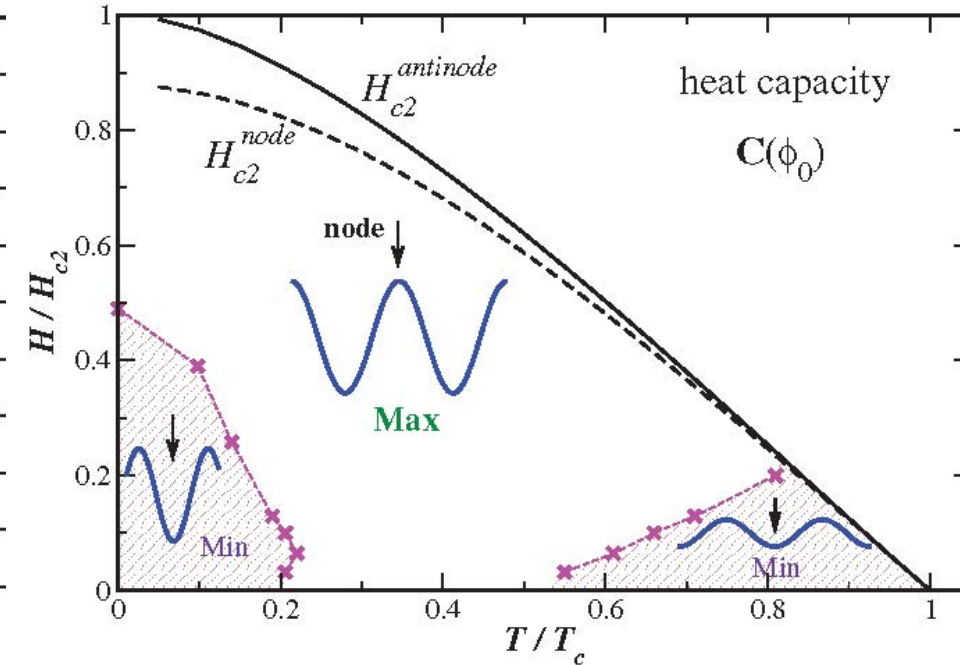
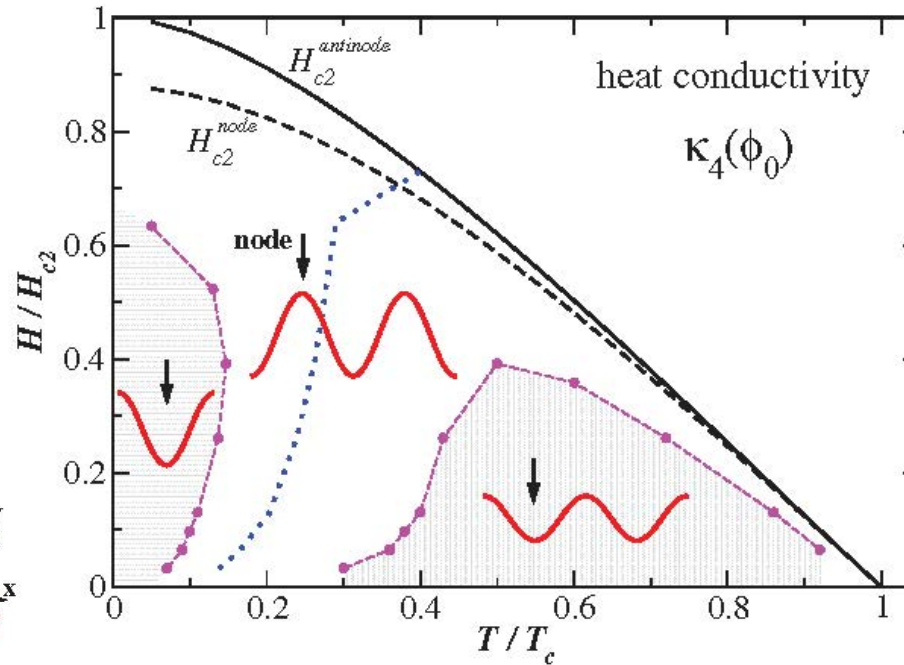
Angle resolved thermal transport and specific heat

Quasi-cylindrical Fermi Surface of CeCoIn₅



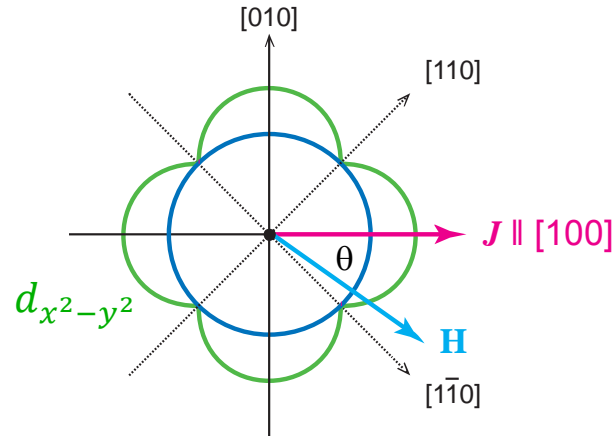
Thermal transport is a combined effect of the density of states and scattering time.

Specific heat depends only on the density of states .

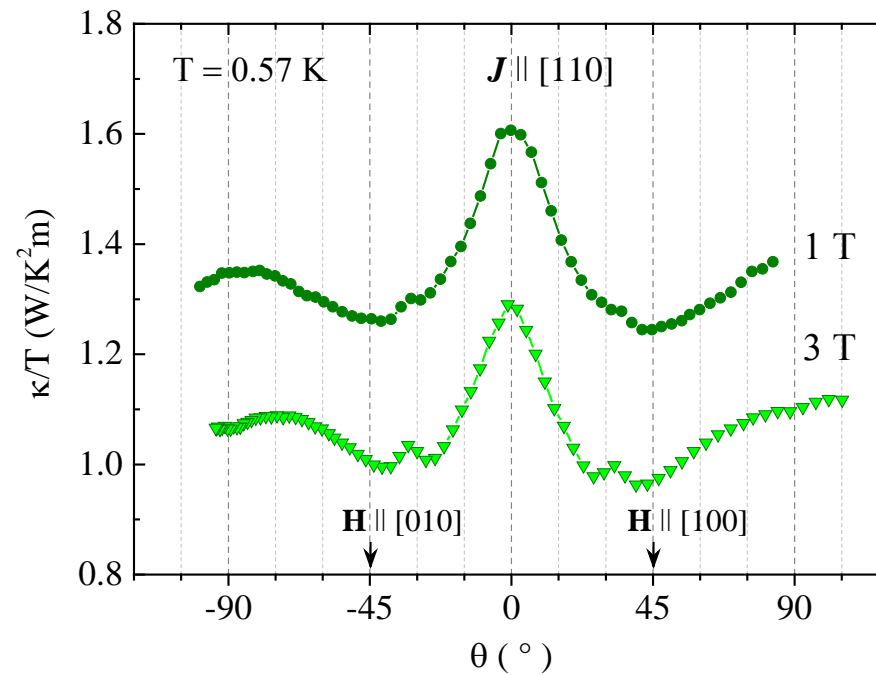
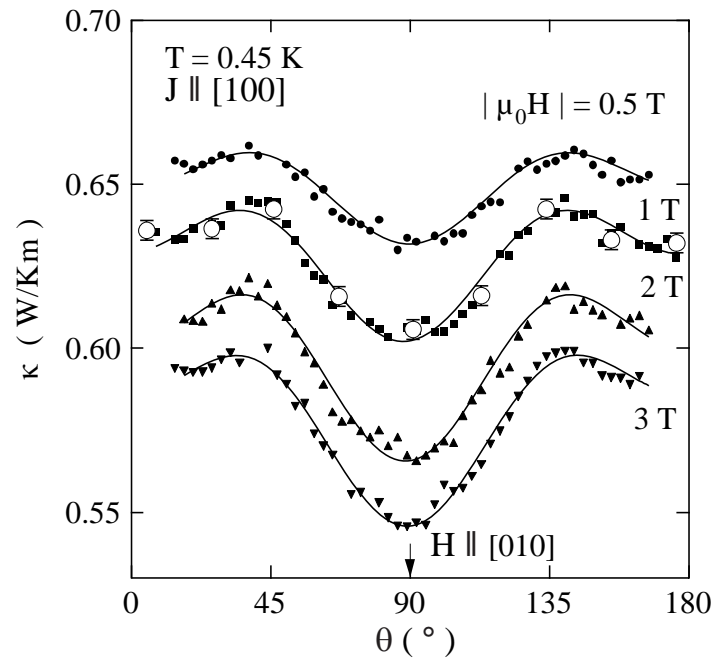
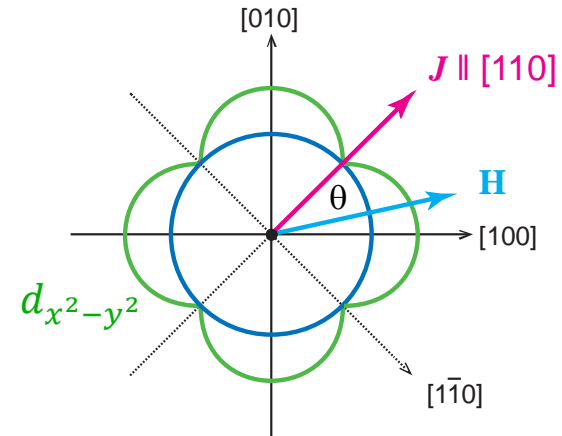


Field-Angle dependent Thermal Conductivity of CeCoIn₅

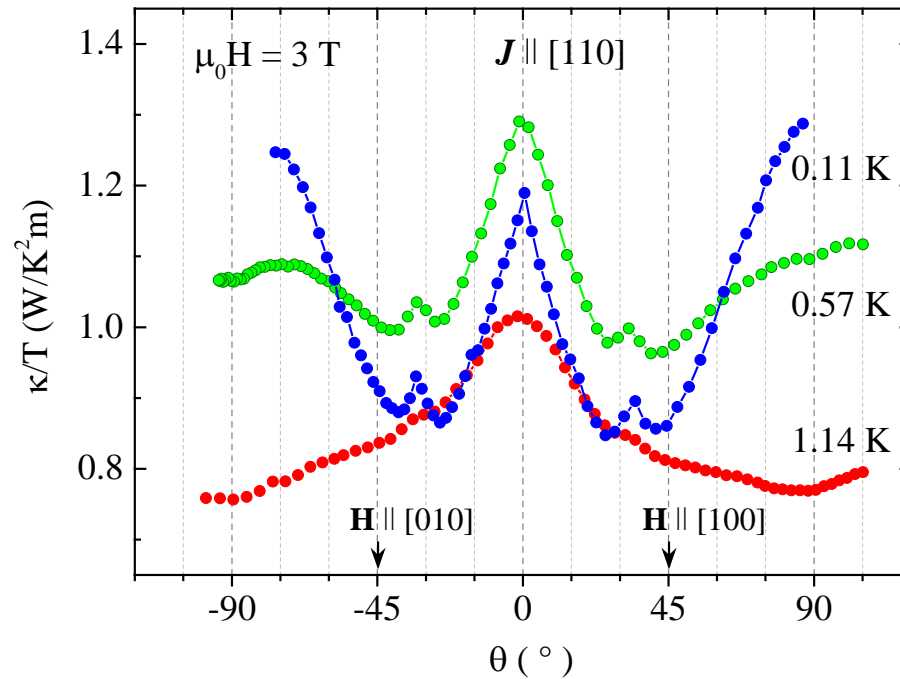
J along anti-nodal direction



J along nodal direction



Temperature-dependent evolution of Scattering



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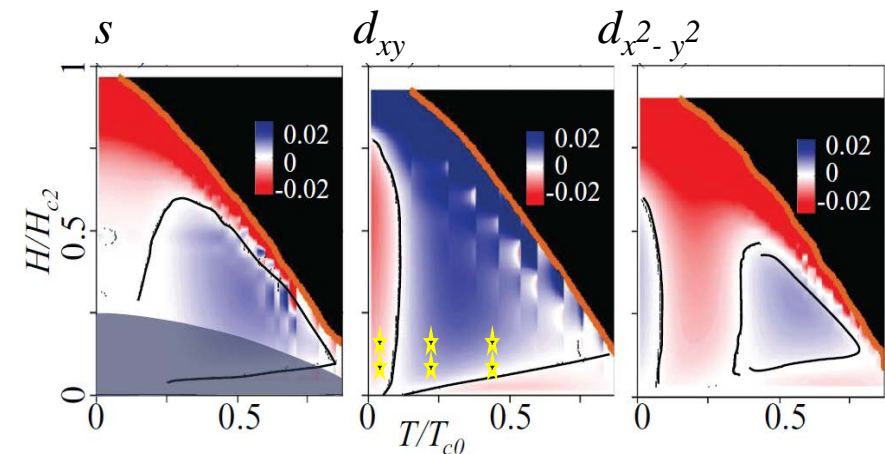
$$\kappa_{xx} \sim N(\varphi) v_F l T$$

$N(\varphi)$: Density of state

v_F : Fermi velocity

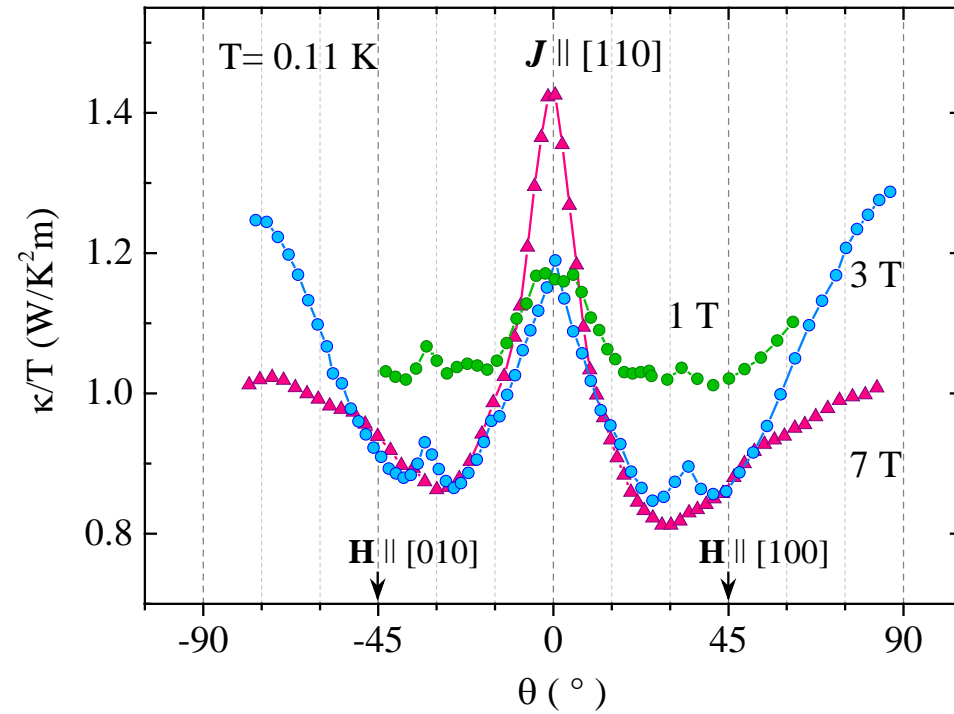
l : Mean free path

Calculated Four-fold Oscillation Amplitude

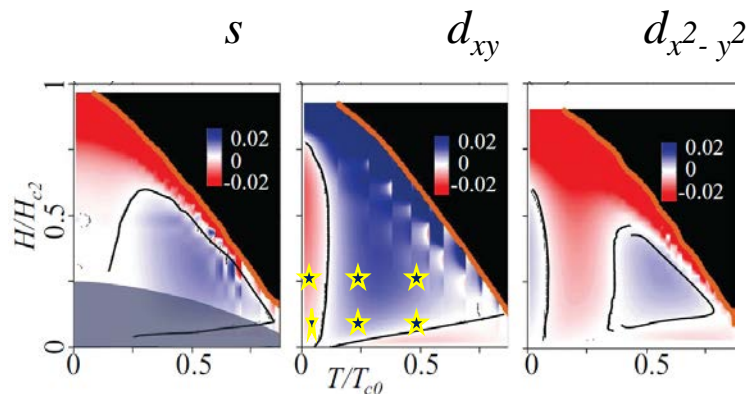
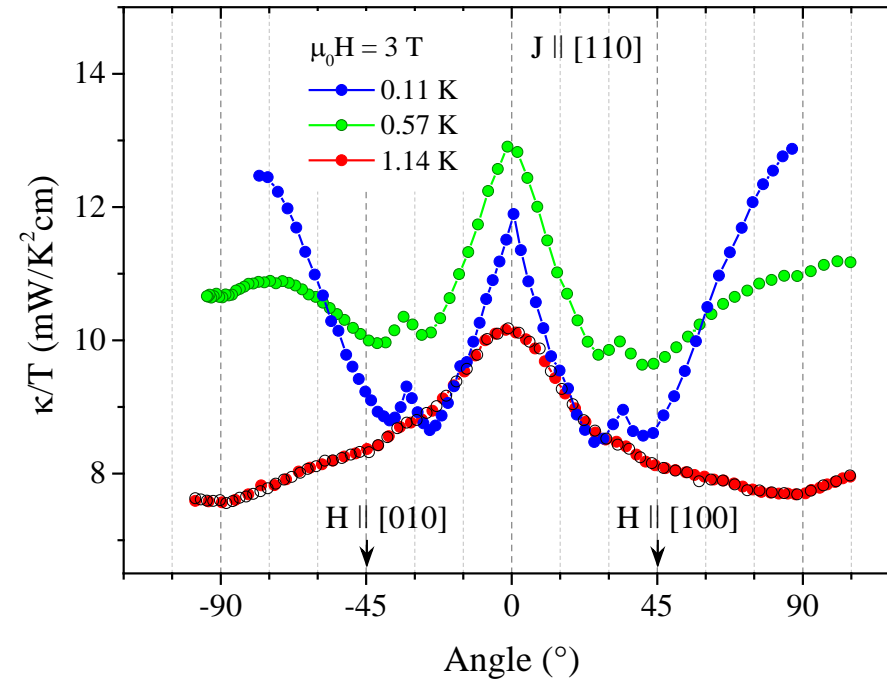
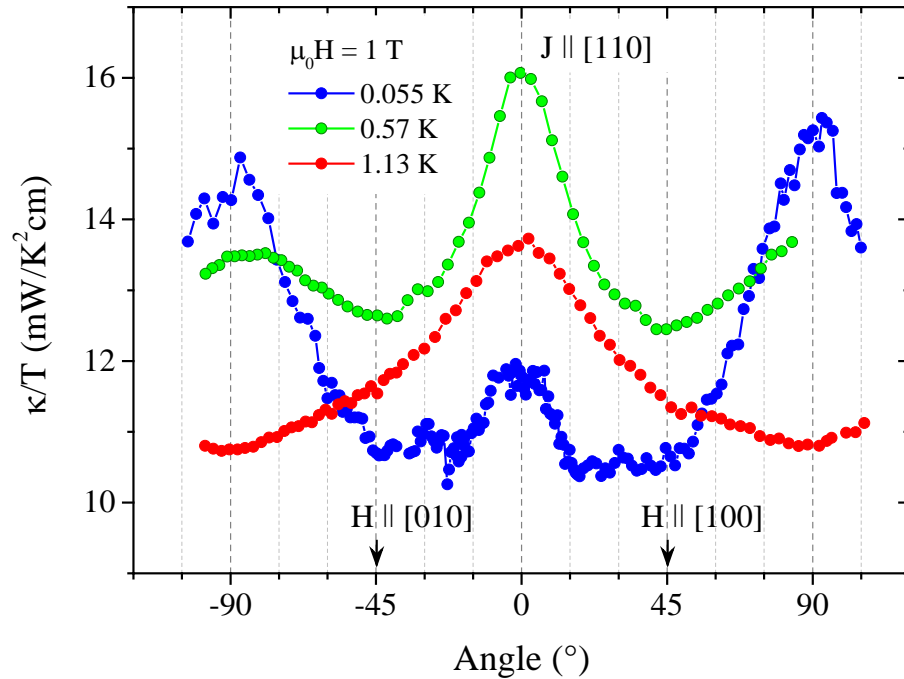


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Strong enhancement of thermal conductivity for $\mathbf{H} \parallel \mathbf{J}$, $\Theta = 0$,
with increasing field



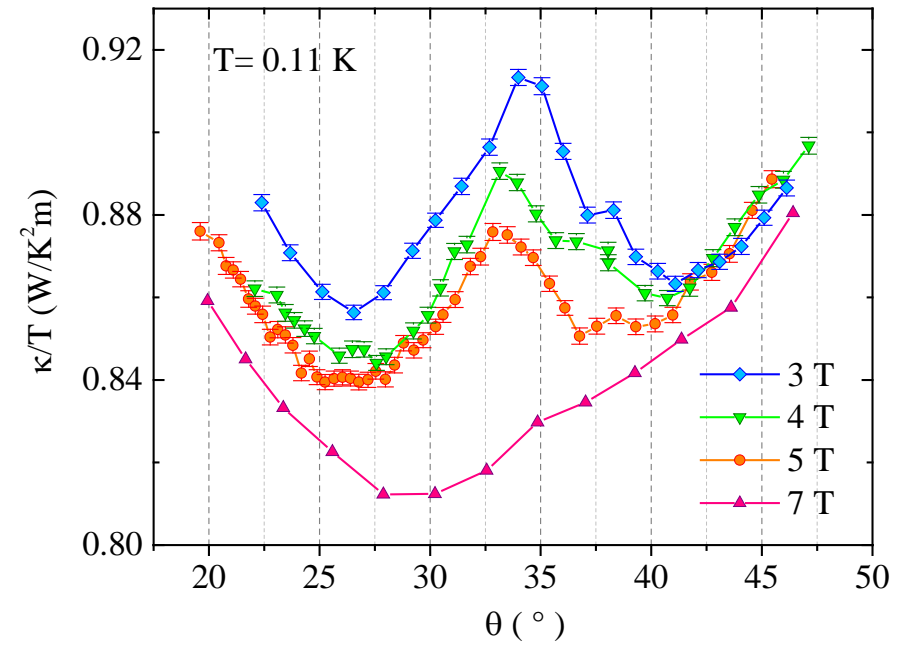
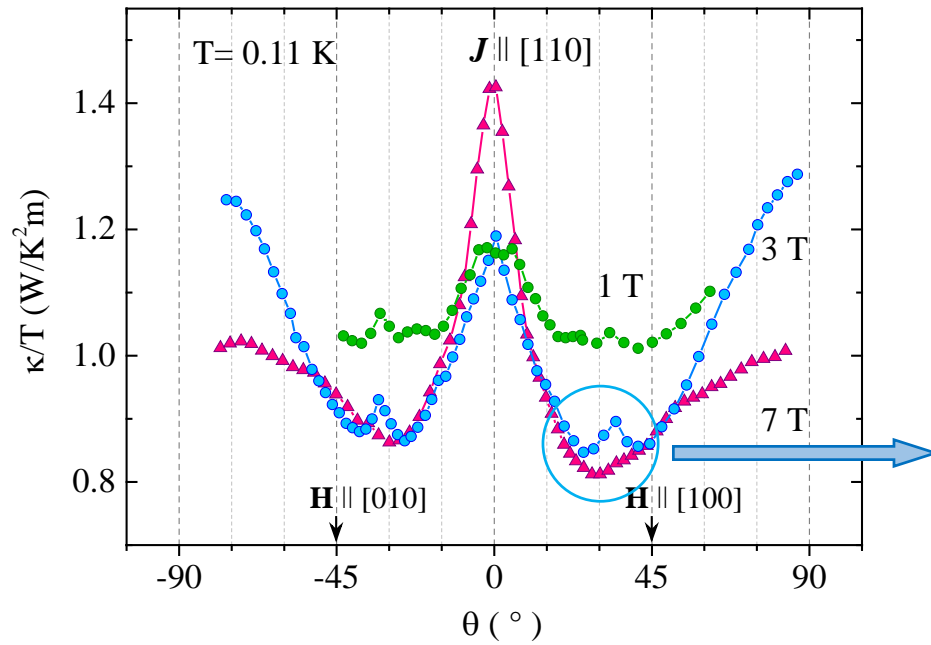
Angle dependent κ at Low field for several temperatures



Theoretical prediction of fourfold amplitude oscillation

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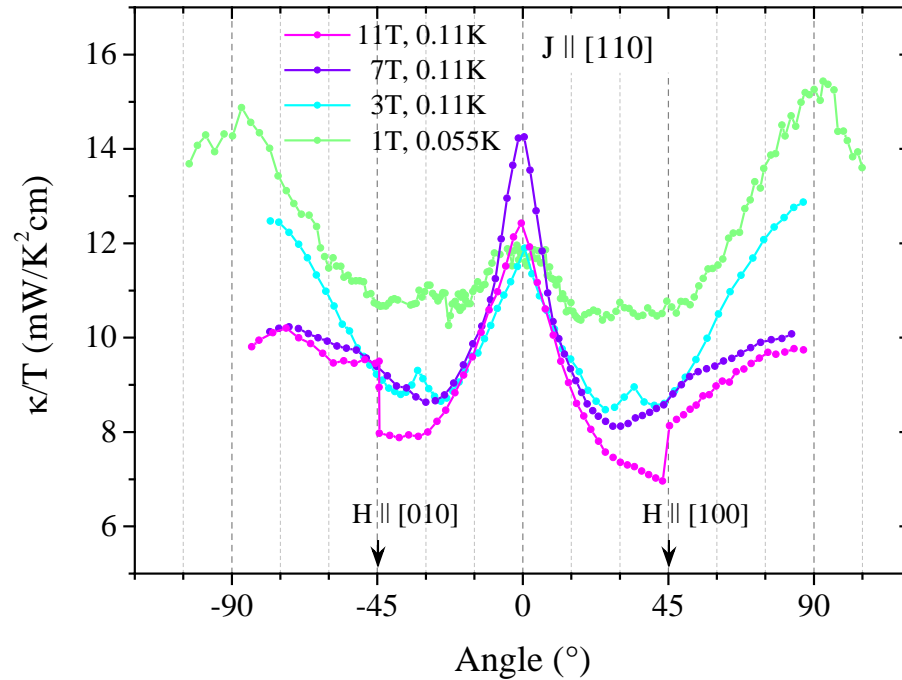
Anomalous Peak near 33°



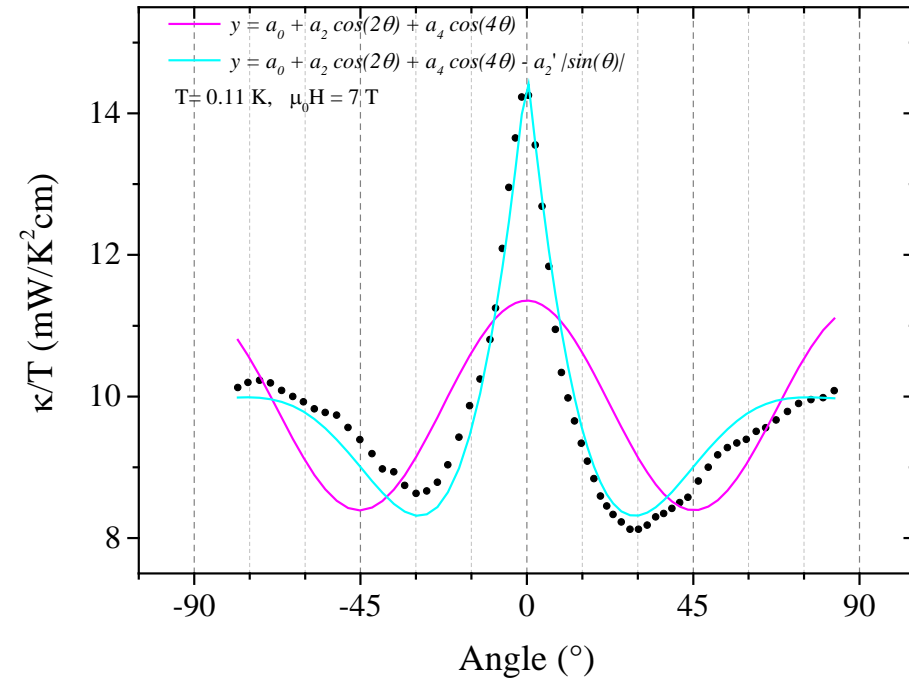
- Possible Fermi Surface Anomaly

Fits to the sum of two- and four-fold symmetric terms I

with Increasing Field



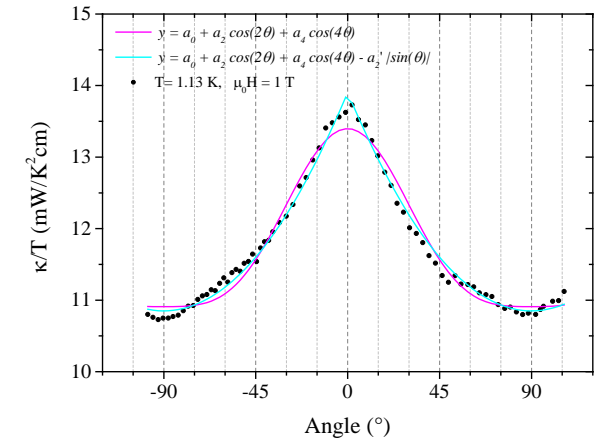
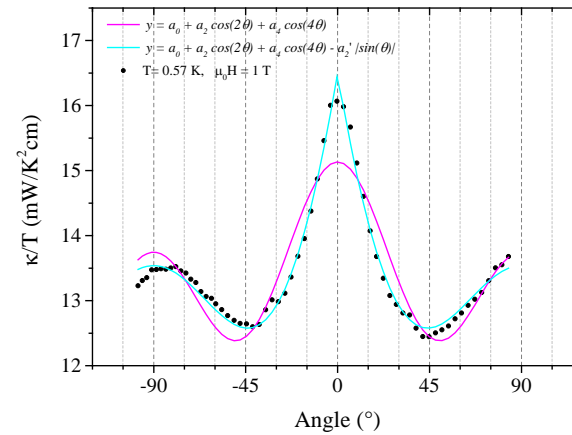
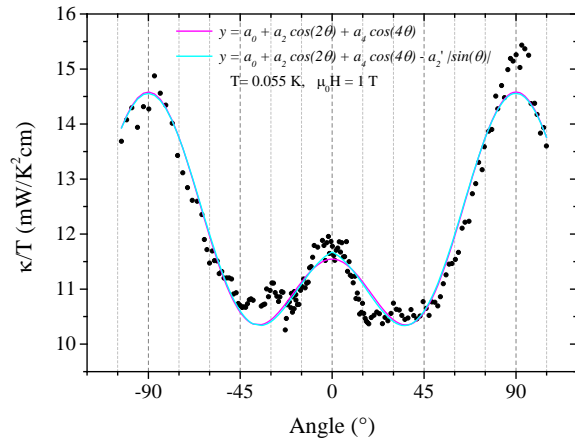
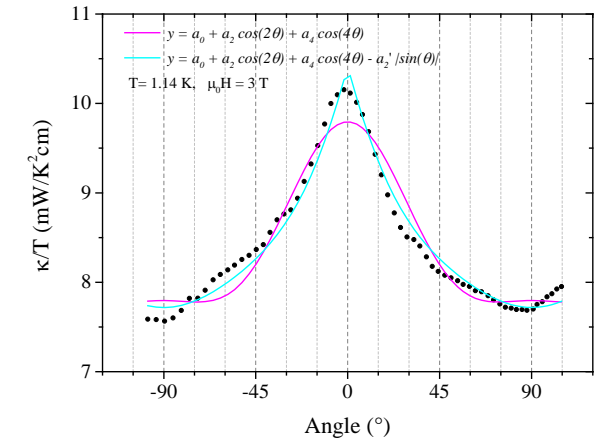
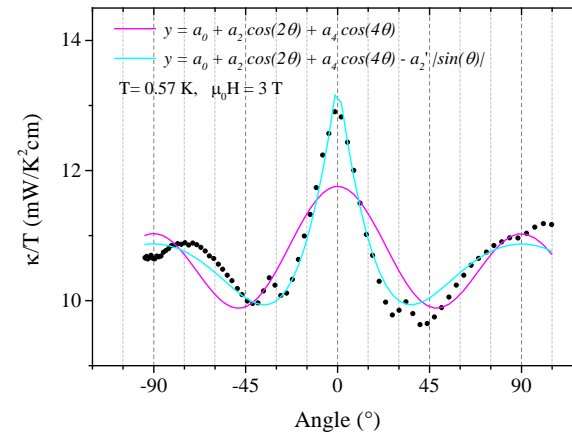
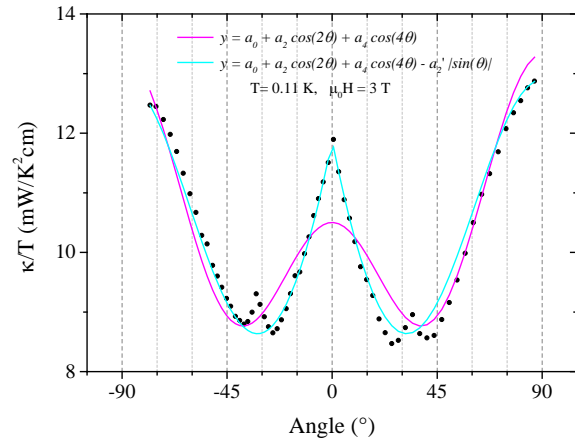
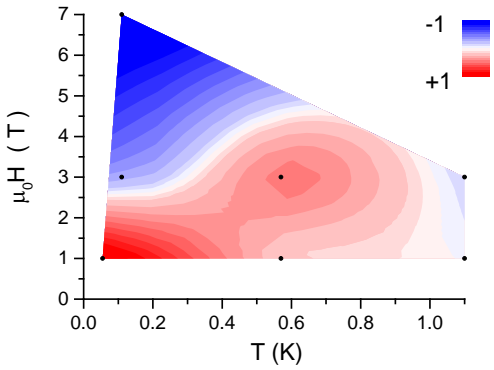
Analysis



- Twofold – Scattering parallel or perpendicular to the vortex
- Fourfold - $d_{x^2-y^2}$ symmetry

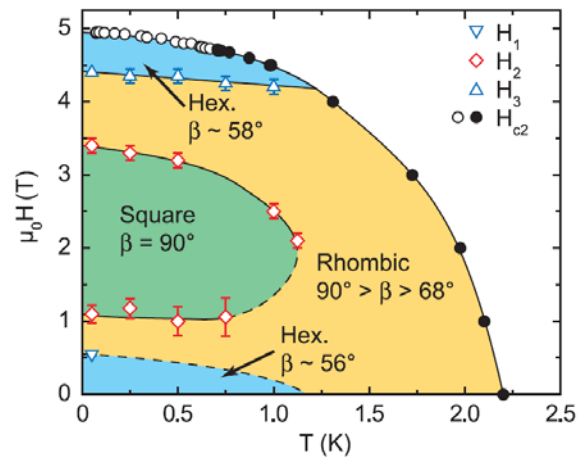
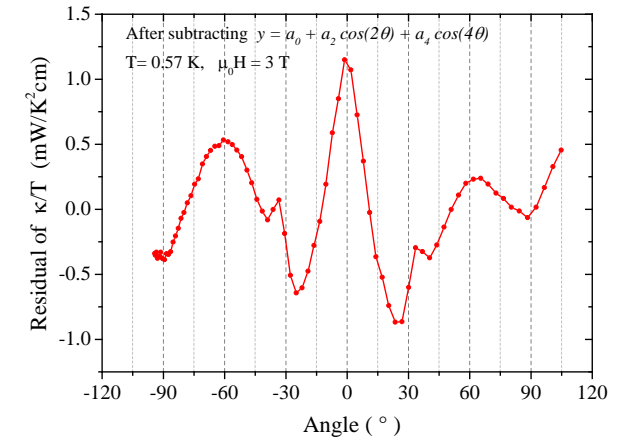
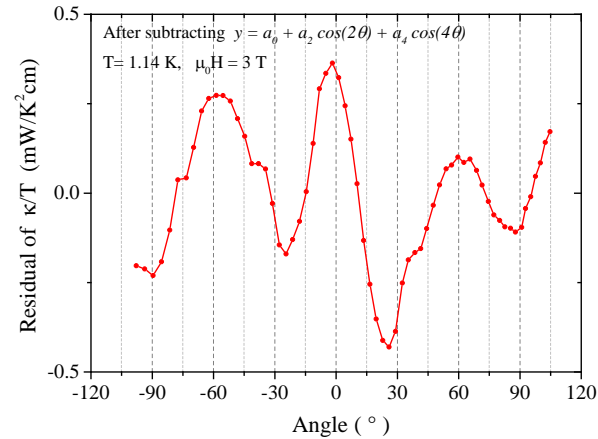
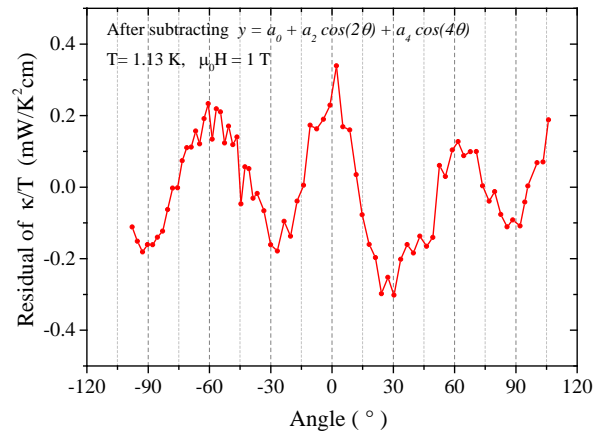
Fits to the sum of two- and four-fold symmetric terms II

Fourfold
Amplitude
(a_4)



Fits to the sum of two- and four-fold symmetric terms III

After subtracting two- and four-fold symmetric terms: remainder - six-fold oscillation?
 No, most likely the angle dependence is complicated by the resonances.



Structure of the
 Vortex Lattice
 $H \parallel c$

Bianchi, A. D. et al, Science 319,
 177180 (2008).

Summary

- The thermal conductivity of CeCoIn_5 was measured with the heat current along the nodal direction of the d -wave superconducting gap.
- Sharp increase of thermal conductivity was observed when the heat current is parallel to the magnetic field.
- Anomalous peaks in the angle scan indicate a Fermi surface anomaly.