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Maleev-Blume Equations;
Dyson -Maleev Representation

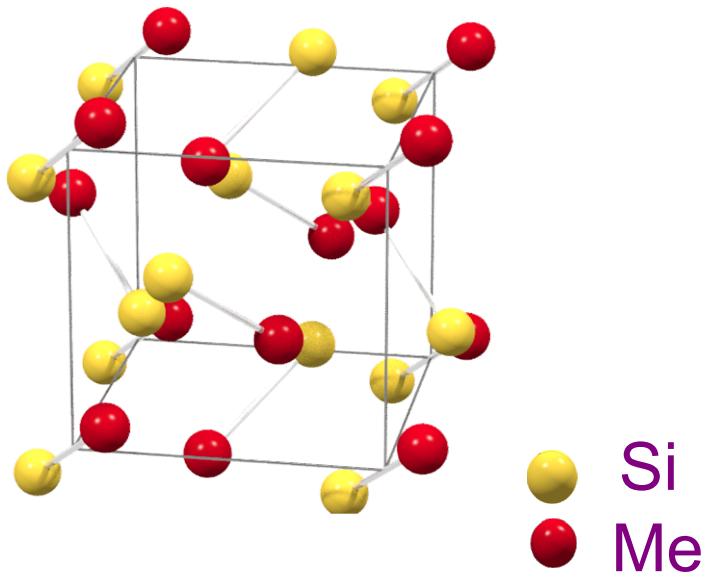
Spin waves in full-polarized state of
Dzyaloshinskii-Moriya helimagnets:
polarized SANS study

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Outline

- Introduction: a bit of history of MnSi
- Spin fluctuations in $\text{Mn}_{1-x}\text{Fe}_x\text{Si}$ by polarized SANS
- Spin waves in $\text{Mn}_{1-x}\text{Fe}_x\text{Si}$ compounds and in others
- Others: $\text{Fe}_{1-x}\text{Co}_x\text{Si}$ and Cu_2OSeO_3
- Conclusions

Crystal structure B20



- B20-type cubic
- Space group $P2_13$, $a \approx 4.6 \text{ \AA}$
- 4 Me and 4 Si atoms are inside a unit cell with positions (u,u,u) , $(1/2+u,1/2-u,u)$, $(1/2-u,-u,1/2+u)$, $(-u,1/2+u,1/2+u)$ with $u_{\text{Mn}} = 0.138$ and $u_{\text{Si}} = 0.845$

Examples

MnSi , FeSi , CoSi

$\text{Mn}_{1-y}\text{Fe}_y\text{Si}$, $\text{Mn}_{1-y}\text{Co}_y\text{Si}$, $\text{Fe}_{1-x}\text{Co}_x\text{Si}$

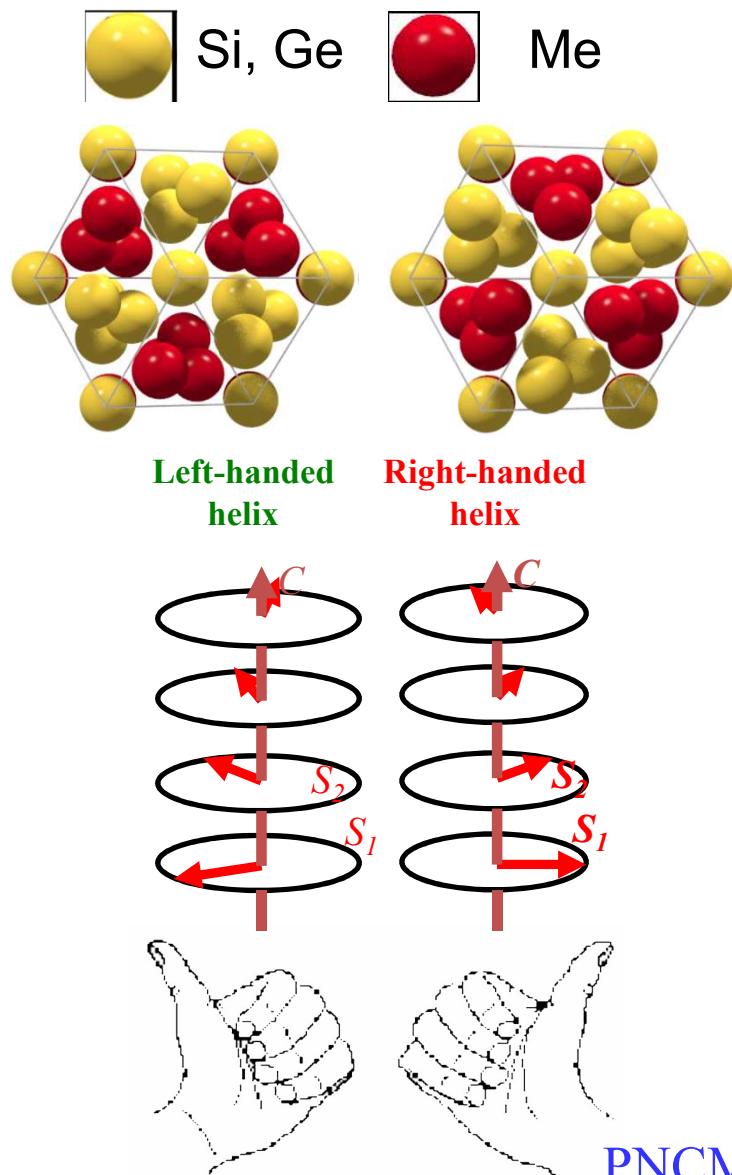
MnGe , FeGe , CoGe

$\text{Mn}_{1-y}\text{Fe}_y\text{Ge}$, $\text{Fe}_{1-y}\text{Co}_y\text{Ge}$, $\text{Mn}_{1-y}\text{Co}_y\text{Ge}$

and Cu_2OSeO_3 ; $\text{Co}_8\text{Zn}_8\text{Mn}_4$, etc

Chirality of the crystal structure: non-superposable by pure rotation and translation.

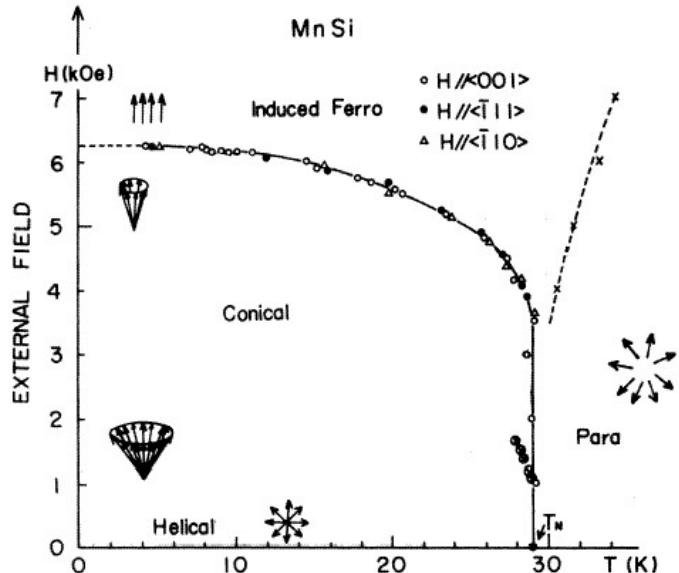
Constituting interactions in magnetic system of B₂O compounds



$$\begin{aligned} W(q) &= E_{EX} + E_{DM} + E_{AE} = \\ &= (A/2) (q^2 + \kappa_o^{-2}) \mathbf{S}_q^2 + \\ &+ D (\mathbf{q} [\mathbf{S}_q \times \mathbf{S}_{-q}]) + E_{AE} \end{aligned}$$

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(H-T) phase diagrams and Bak-Jensen model



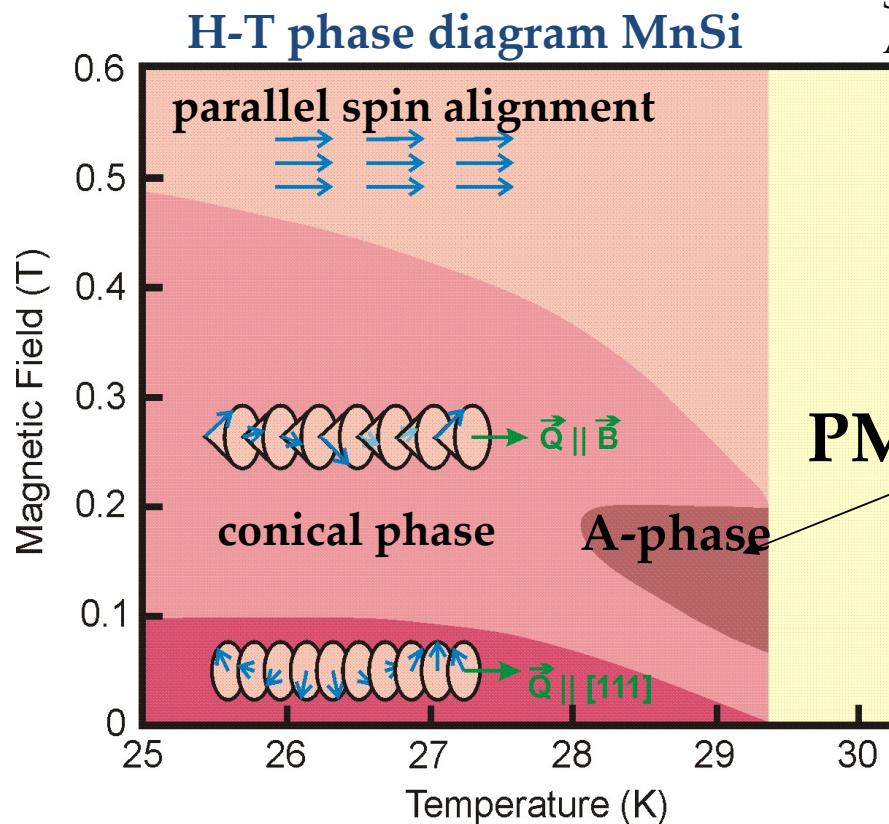
$$\begin{aligned} W(\mathbf{q}) = & E_{\text{EX}} + E_{\text{DM}} + E_{\text{AE}} + E_h = \\ = & (A/2) (q^2 + \kappa_o^{-2}) S_q^{-2} + \\ & + D (\mathbf{q} [\mathbf{S}_q \times \mathbf{S}_{-\mathbf{q}}]) + E_{\text{AE}} + E_h \end{aligned}$$

- 1) $\mathbf{k} = \mathbf{S} D / A$ the helix wave vector
- 2) $A k^2 = g \mu_B H_{C_2}$ the critical field of transition to the fully polarized state for MnSi

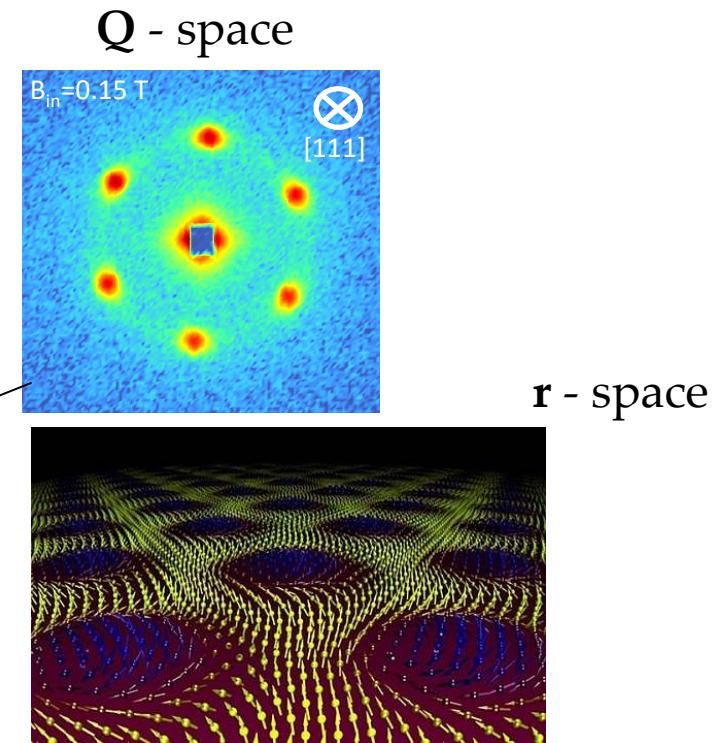
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- [3] P. Bak and M. H. Jensen, J. Phys. C **13**, L881 (1980).

- 1) $A = g \mu_B H_{C_2} / k = 50 \text{ meV } \text{Å}^2$
- 2) $S D a = A k a = 8 \text{ meV } \text{Å}^2$

Skyrmion lattice in MnSi



S. Mühlbauer, B. Binz, F. Jonietz, C. Pfleiderer, A. Rosch, A. Neubauer, R. Georgii, P. Böni, Science 323 (2009) 915.



Ferromagnetic exchange J
Dzyaloshinskii-Moriya constant D ,
Spiral wave vector $k = D / J$

$$E = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \neq j} (-J_{ij} \mathbf{s}_i \cdot \mathbf{s}_j + \mathbf{D}_{ij} \cdot [\mathbf{s}_i \times \mathbf{s}_j])$$

$$\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{r}) = \mathbf{M}_f + \sum_{j=1}^3 \left(\mathbf{m}_{\mathbf{Q}_j} e^{i \mathbf{Q}_j \cdot \mathbf{r}} + \text{c. c.} \right)$$

Spin Chirality in MnSi: half polarized SANS

Etalon sample MnSi $u_{\text{Mn}} = 0.135$, $u_{\text{Si}} = 0.845$

The elastic cross section on the magnetic spiral has the form:

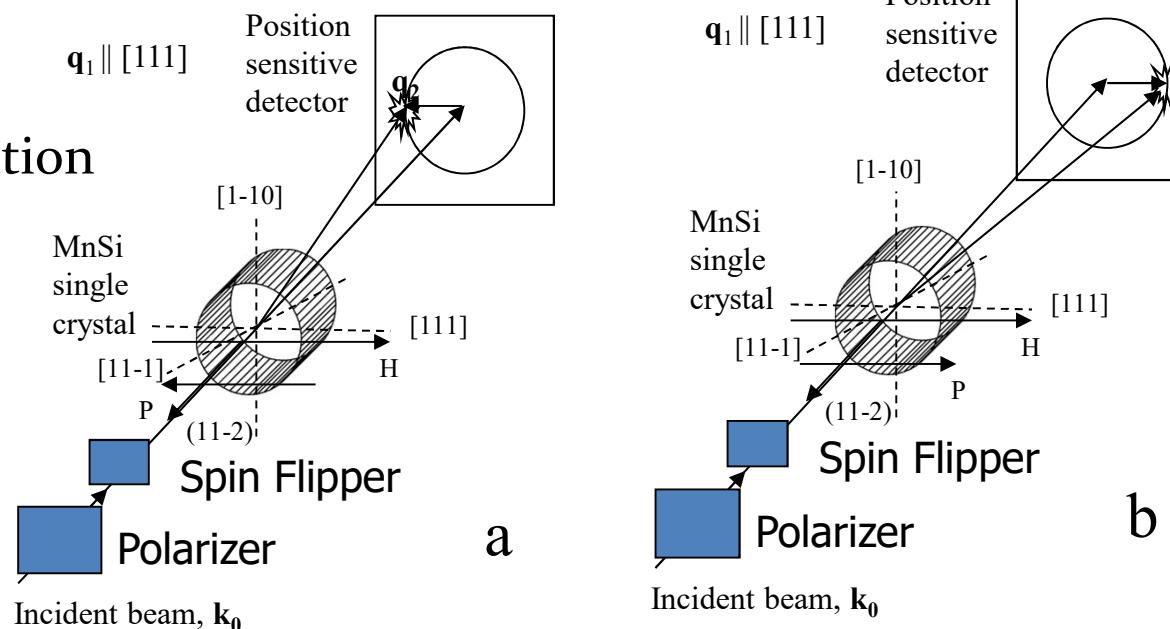
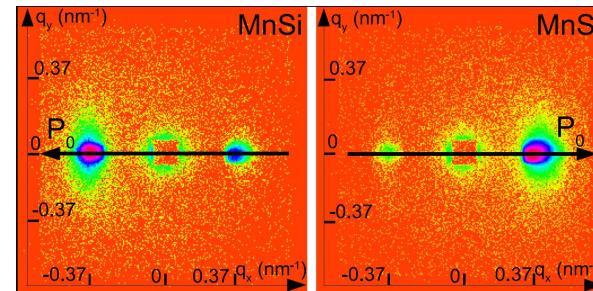
$$\sigma_{\text{el}}(Q) = [r F(Q)/2]^2 \{S^2(1 + (\mathbf{q}\mathbf{c}))^2 + 2\langle C \rangle(\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{P}_0)(\mathbf{q} \cdot \mathbf{c})\} \delta(\mathbf{Q} - \mathbf{k})$$

$$\mathbf{C} = [\mathbf{S}_1 \times \mathbf{S}_2]$$

and
 \mathbf{q} is the unit vector of \mathbf{Q}

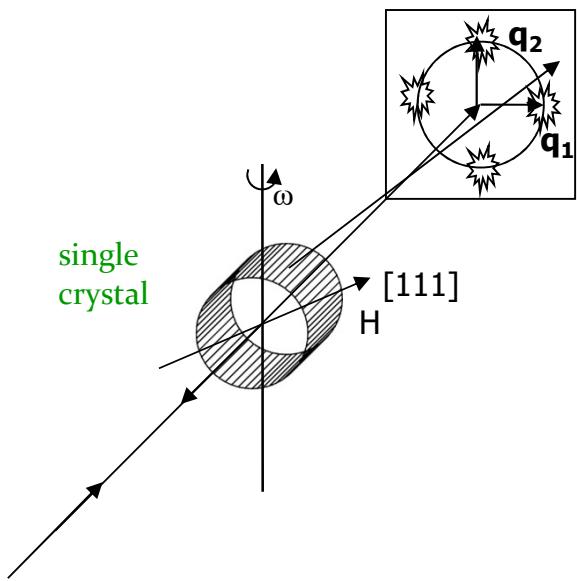
\mathbf{P}_0 is the incident polarization

M. Tanaka, H. Takayoshi, M. Ishida,
 Ya. Endoh, J. Phys. Soc. J. 54,
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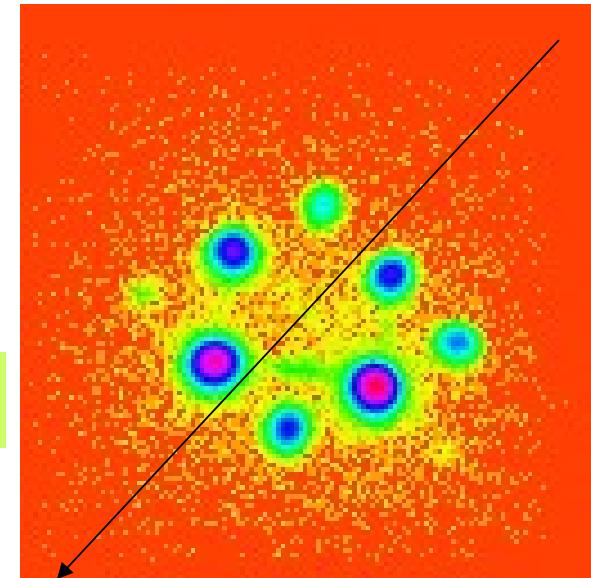


The thermal phase transition in MnSi

Small angle neutron diffraction experiment on MnSi single crystal performed at SANS₂@GKSS/HZG (resp. H. Eckerlebe)



T = 10 K



Screen shot of the neutron diffraction picture from MnSi

S.V. Grigoriev, S.V. Maleyev, A.I. Okorokov,
Yu.O. Chetverikov, R. Georgii, P. Boni,
D. Lamago, H. Eckerlebe, K. Pranzas,
Phys. Rev.B 72 (2005) 134420.

Neutron cross section at $T > T_C$

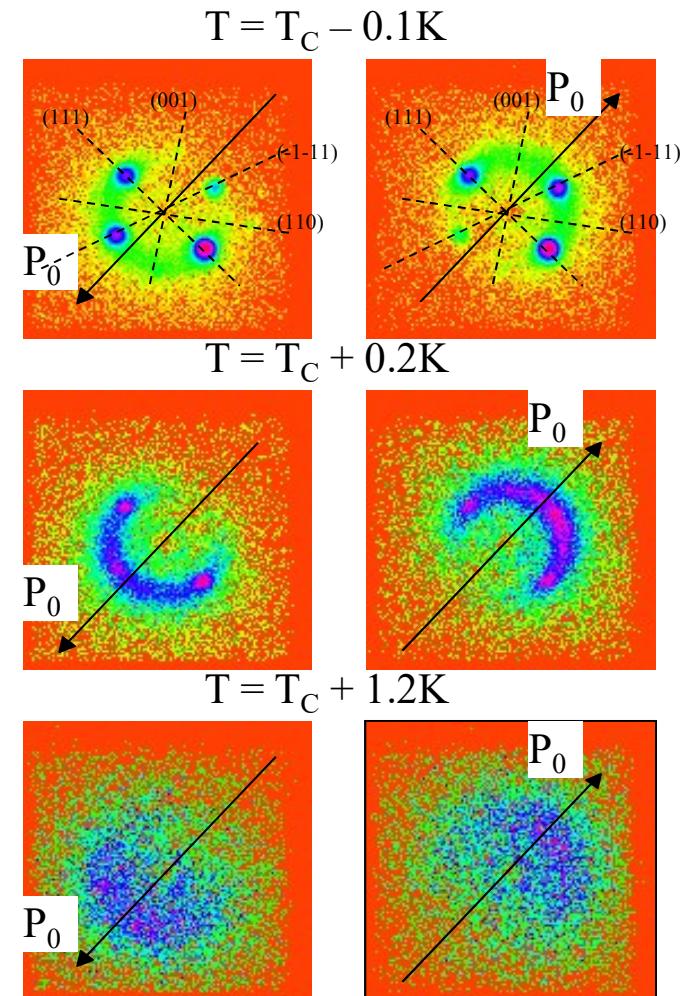
Neutron cross section (S.V. Maleev)

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{[rF(\mathbf{q})]^2 T}{[B(q+k)^2 + \kappa^2]} \frac{k^2 + q^2 + \kappa^2 - 2k\mathbf{q}\mathbf{P}_0}{[(q-k)^2 + \kappa^2 + (|U|k^2/2)(\hat{q}^4 - 1/3)]}$$

Polarization of the scattered neutrons

$$P_s = \frac{\sigma(\mathbf{P}_0) - \sigma(-\mathbf{P}_0)}{\sigma(\mathbf{P}_0) + \sigma(-\mathbf{P}_0)} = -\frac{2kqP_0 \cos \varphi}{q^2 + k^2 + \kappa^2}$$

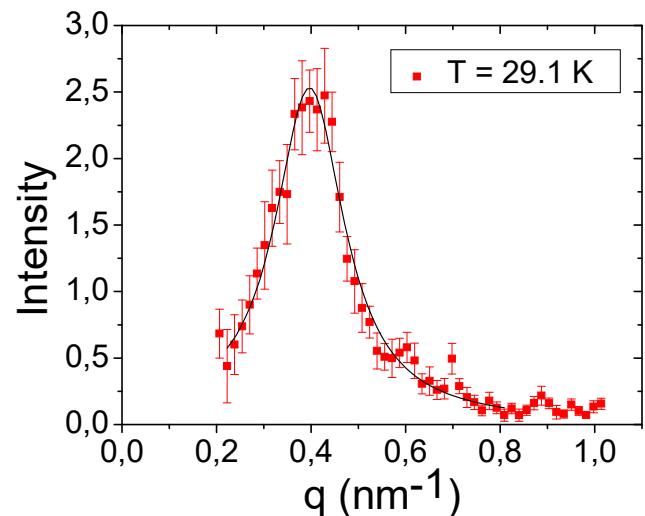
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Data analysis: \mathbf{q} -dependence

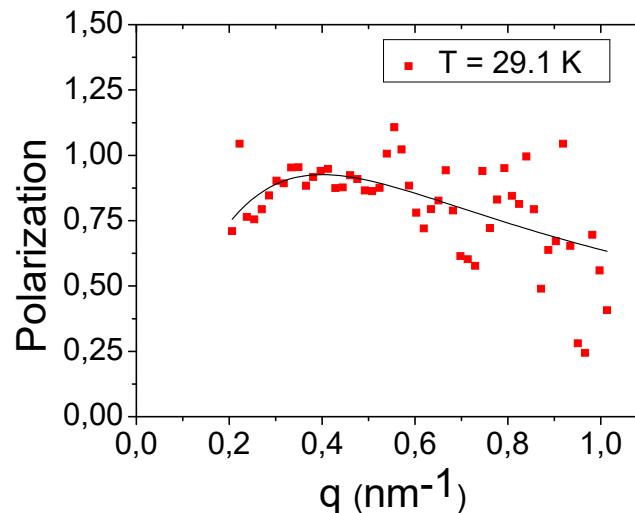
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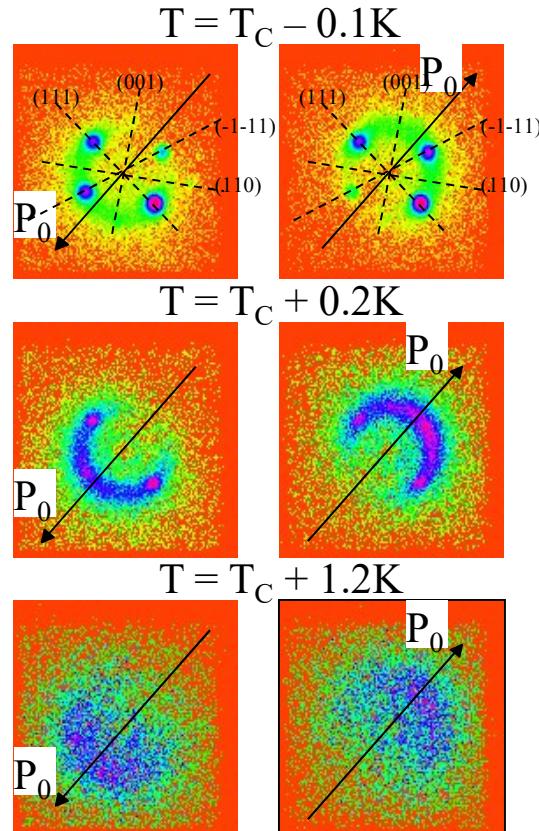
Intensity of the scattering at $\mathbf{q} \parallel \mathbf{P}_o$ $I(\mathbf{q}) = (I(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{P}_o) + I(\mathbf{q}, -\mathbf{P}_o))$

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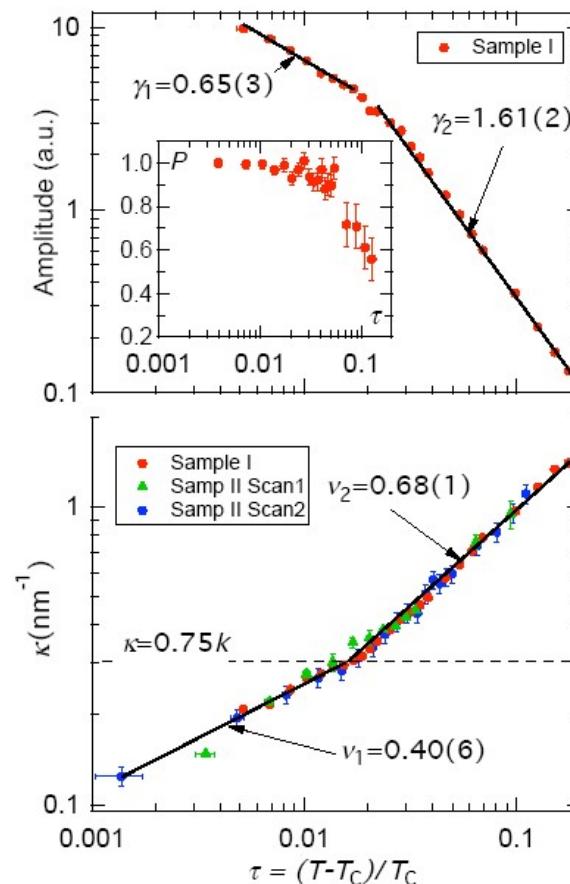
Polarization of the scattering at $\mathbf{q} \parallel \mathbf{P}_o$ at $T = T_C + 0.3 \text{ K}$.

Data analysis: temperature dependence



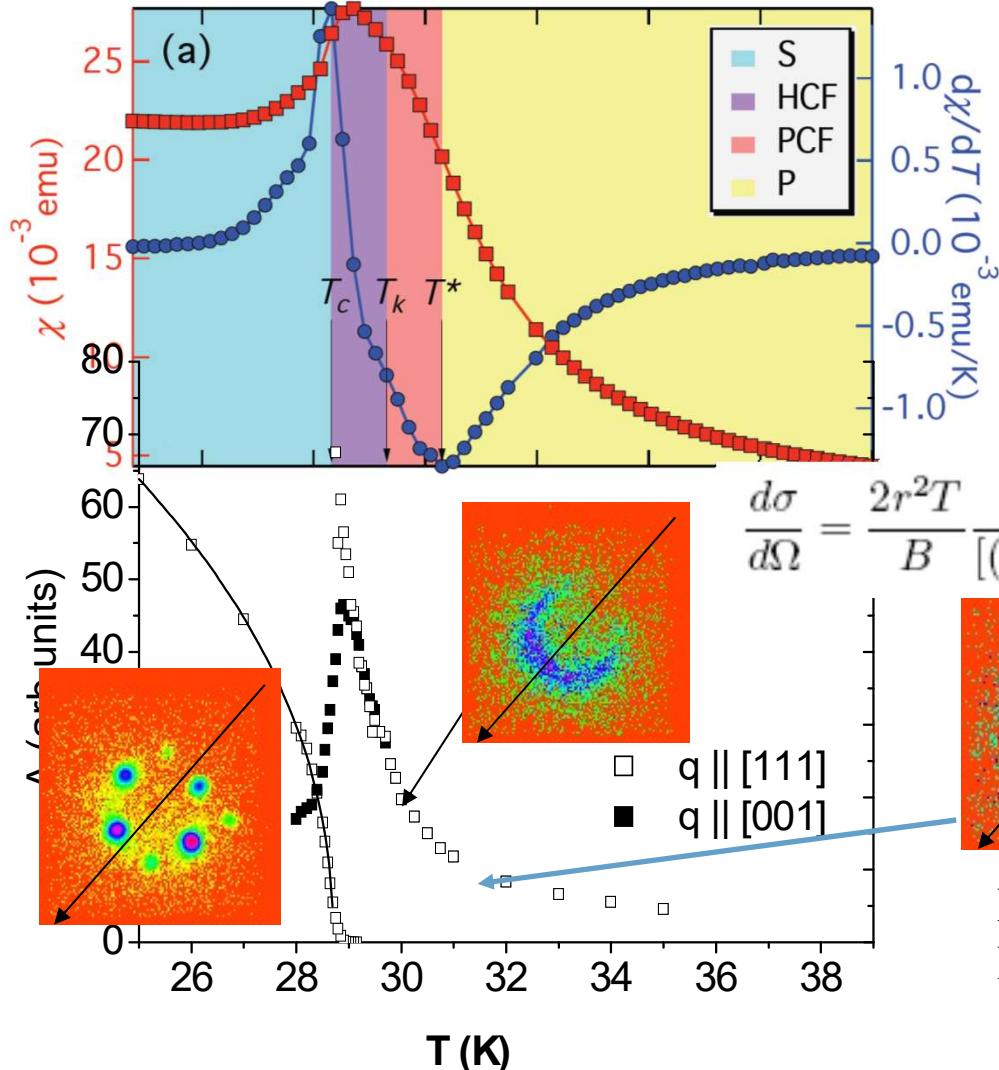
Polarized SANS maps

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τ - dependence of (a) amplitude of scattering
and (b) inverse correlation length.

Thermal phase transition in MnSi



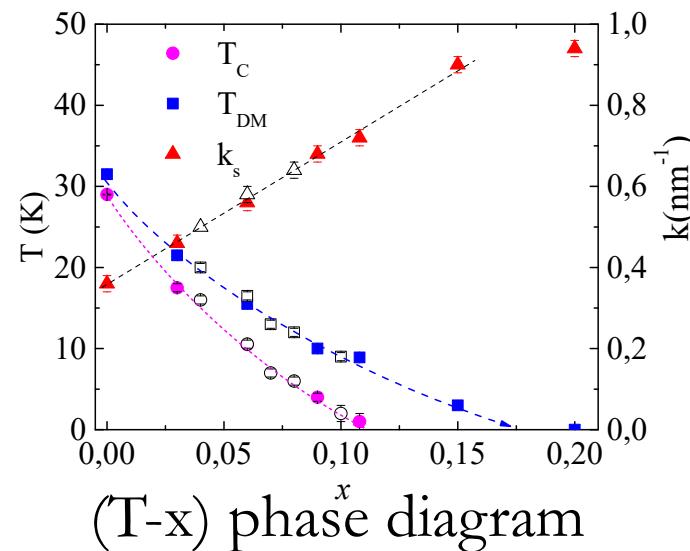
Thermal phase transition in MnSi is characterized by two temperatures: ordering temperature T_c and T_{DM}

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{2r^2T}{B} \frac{Q^2 + k^2 + \kappa_1^2 + 2k(D/|D|)(\mathbf{Q} \cdot \mathbf{P}_0)}{[(Q+k)^2 + \kappa_1^2][(Q-k)^2 + \kappa_1^2] + k^2 \kappa_A^2(\mathbf{Q})}$$

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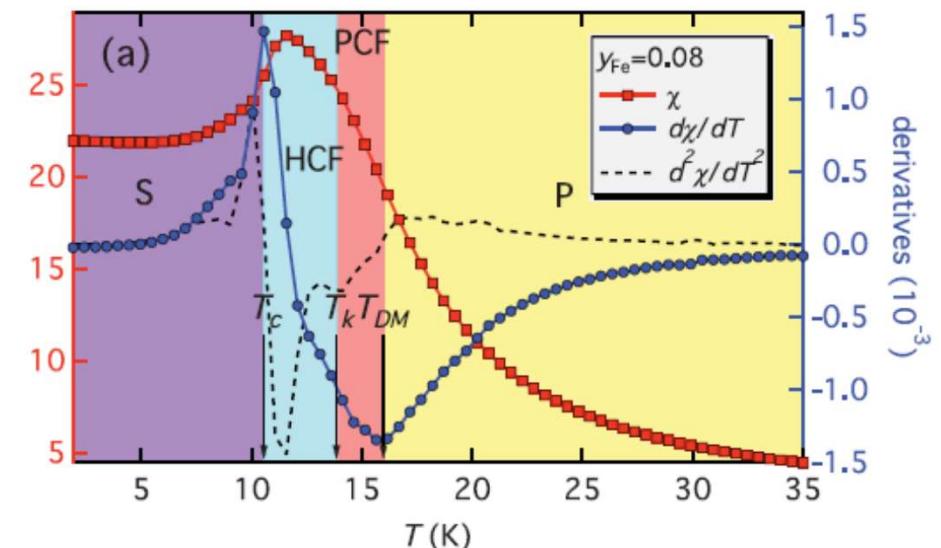
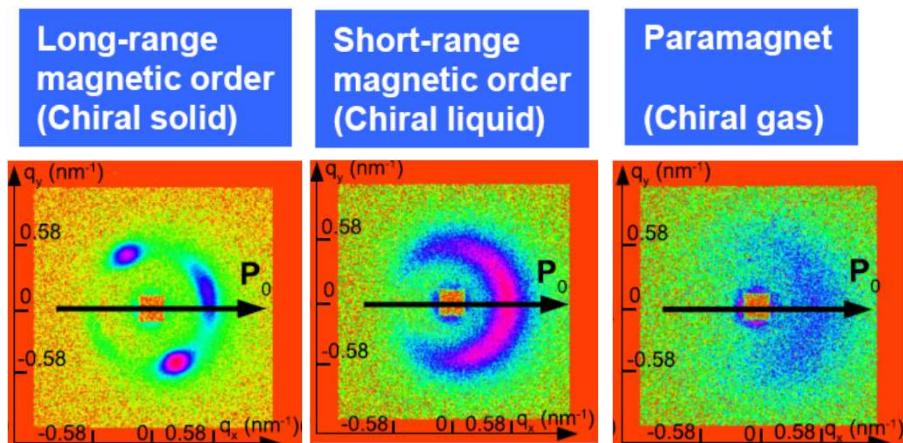
Thermal phase transition in $\text{Mn}_{1-x}\text{Fe}_x\text{Si}$

Thermal phase transition in $\text{Mn}_{1-y}\text{Fe}_y\text{Si}$
is characterized by two temperatures:
ordering temperature T_c and T_{DM}



Correlation between magnetic susceptibility and polarized neutron scattering data is established in $\text{Mn}_{1-x}\text{Fe}_x\text{Si}$.

The extrema of the $\partial\chi/\partial T$ derivative may be used for identification of the magnetic phases with long-range and short-range magnetic order.

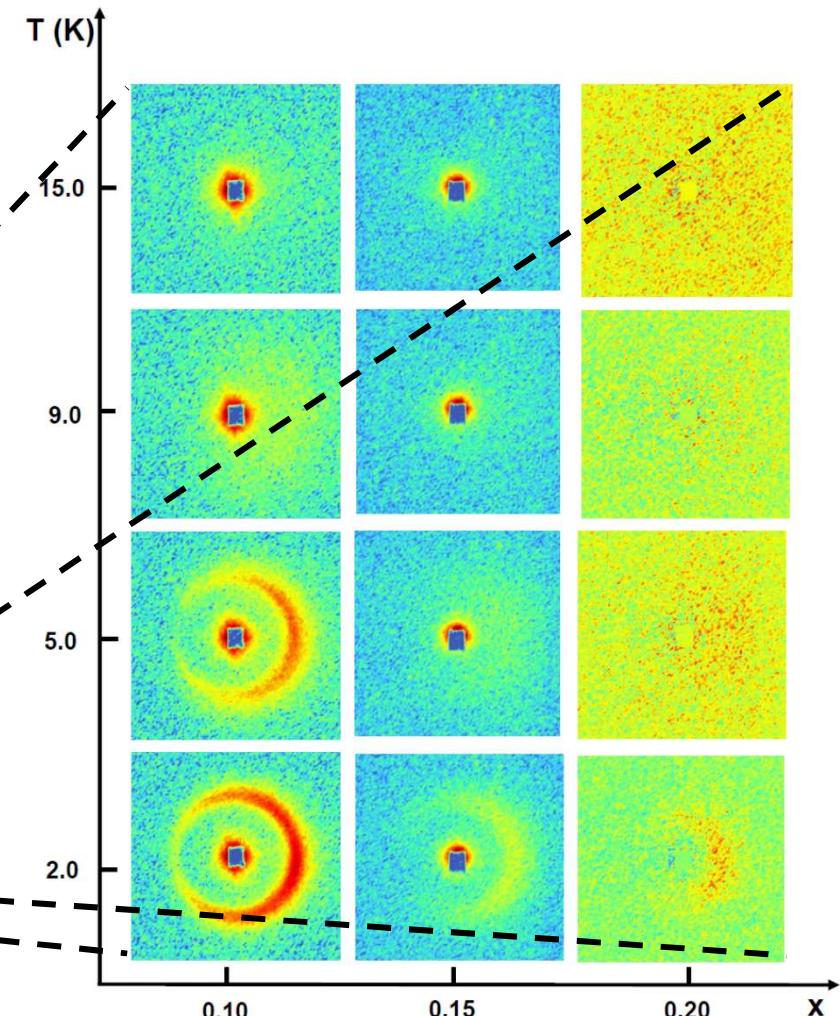
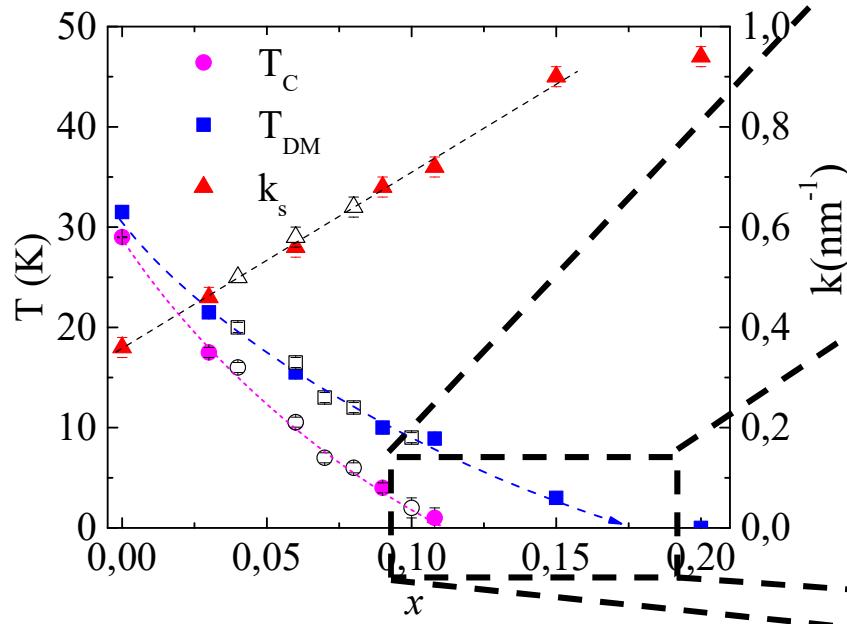


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SANS measurements in $Mn_{1-x}Fe_xSi$ Beyond the Quantum Phase Transition

The polarized small-angle neutron scattering (SANS) was performed at D22@ILL (resp. Ch. Dewhurst).

$Mn_{1-y}Fe_ySi$ compounds with $x = 0.10$, $x = 0.15$ and $x = 0.20$.



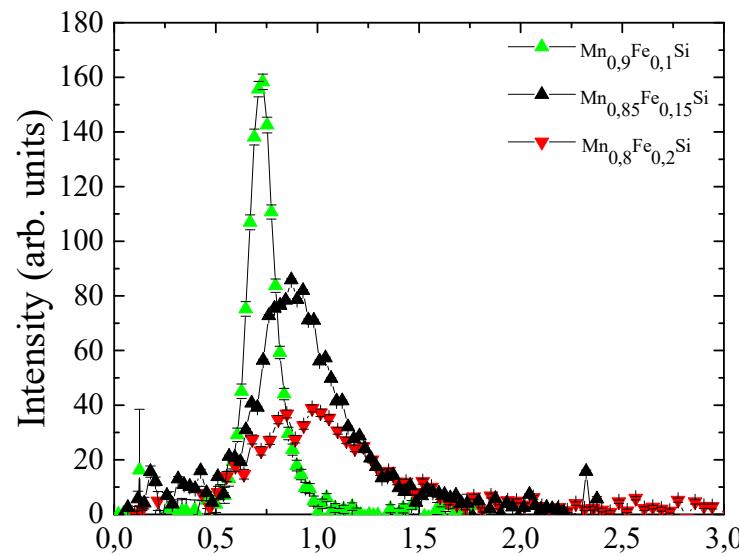
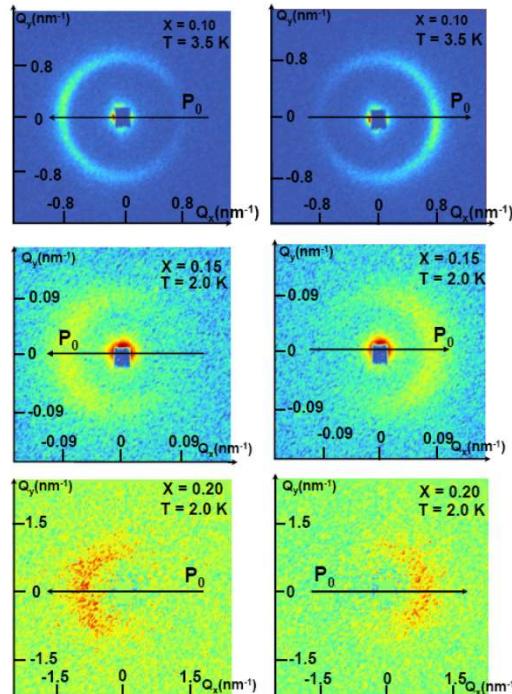
S. V. Grigoriev, O. I. Utesov, N. M. Chubova,
C. D. Dewhurst, D. Menzel, S. V. Maleyev,
JETP **132**, 588–595 (2021)

$x = 0.10 \quad x = 0.15 \quad x = 0.20$

Short-range order beyond the QCP

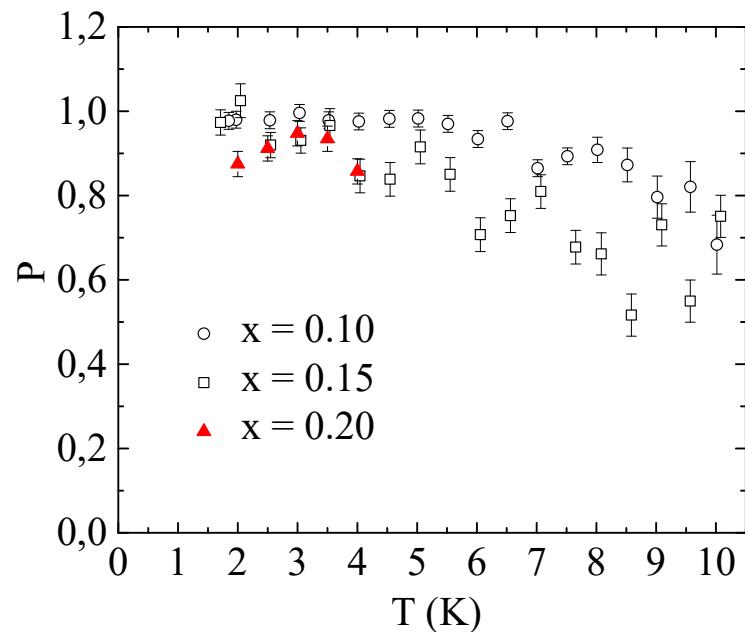
Analysis of the polarized SANS data gives

- (i) the position of the peak \equiv helix wavevector k ;
- (ii) the width of the peak \equiv the coherent length of the helix fluctuation;
- (iii) polarization of the peak \equiv the chirality of the fluctuation.



$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{[rF(\mathbf{q})]^2 T}{[B(q+k)^2 + \kappa^2] [(q-k)^2 + \kappa^2 + (|U|k^2/2)(\hat{q}^4 - 1/3)]}$$

Polarization of scattered neutrons

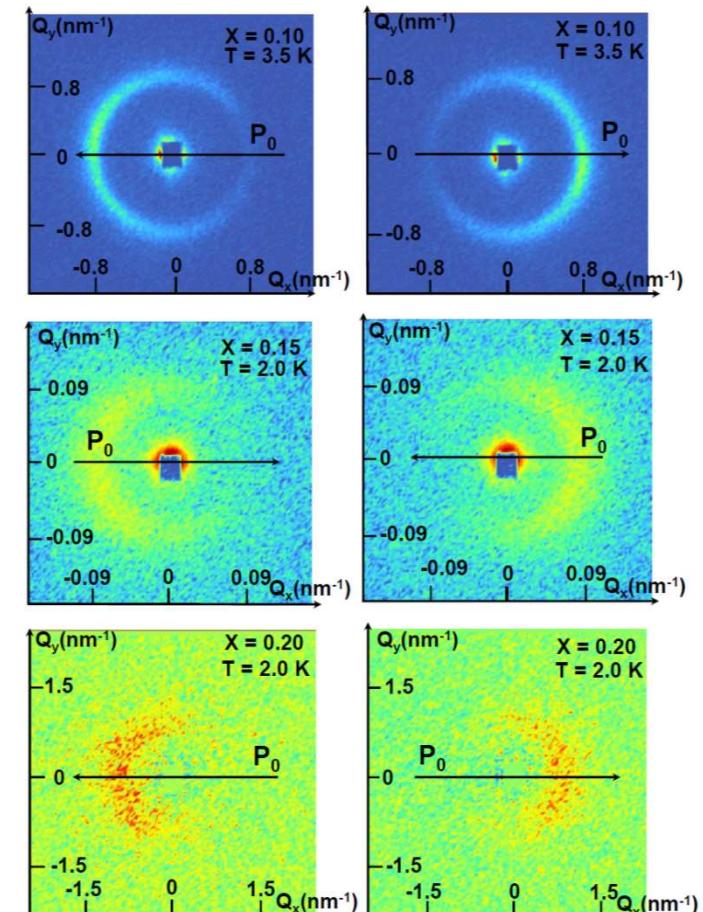


$x = 0.10$

$x = 0.15$

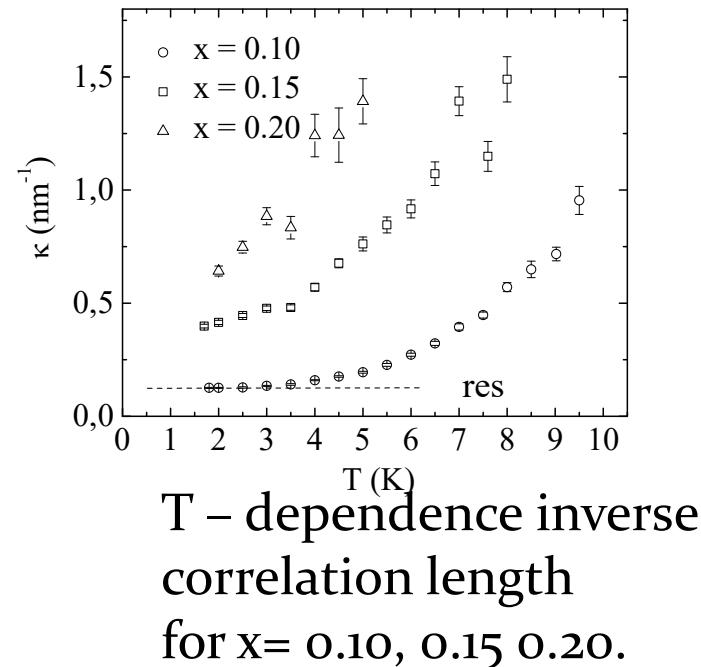
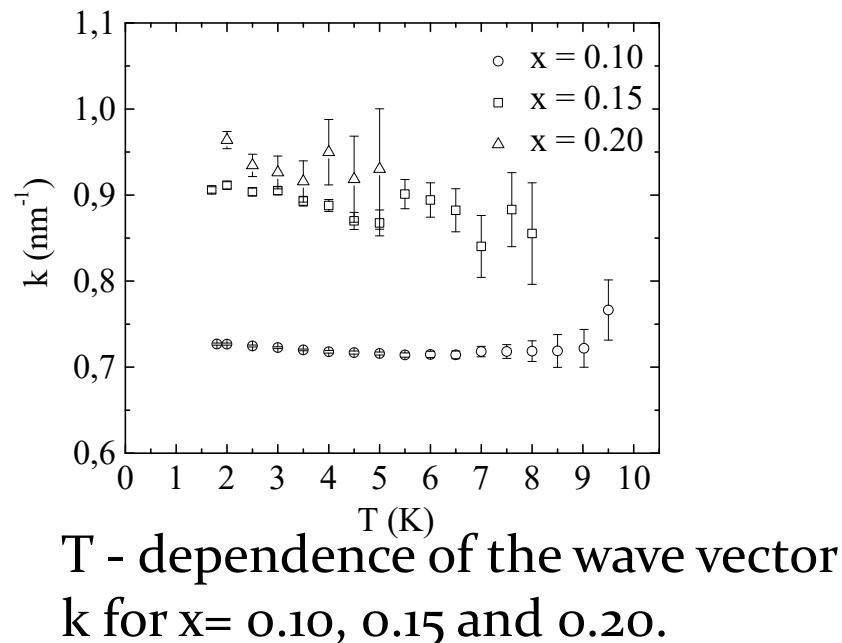
T - dependence of P for
 $x = 0.10$, $x = 0.15$ and $x = 0.20$.

$$P_s = \frac{\sigma(\mathbf{P}_0) - \sigma(-\mathbf{P}_0)}{\sigma(\mathbf{P}_0) + \sigma(-\mathbf{P}_0)} = -\frac{2kqP_0 \cos \varphi}{q^2 + k^2 + \kappa^2} \quad x = 0.20$$



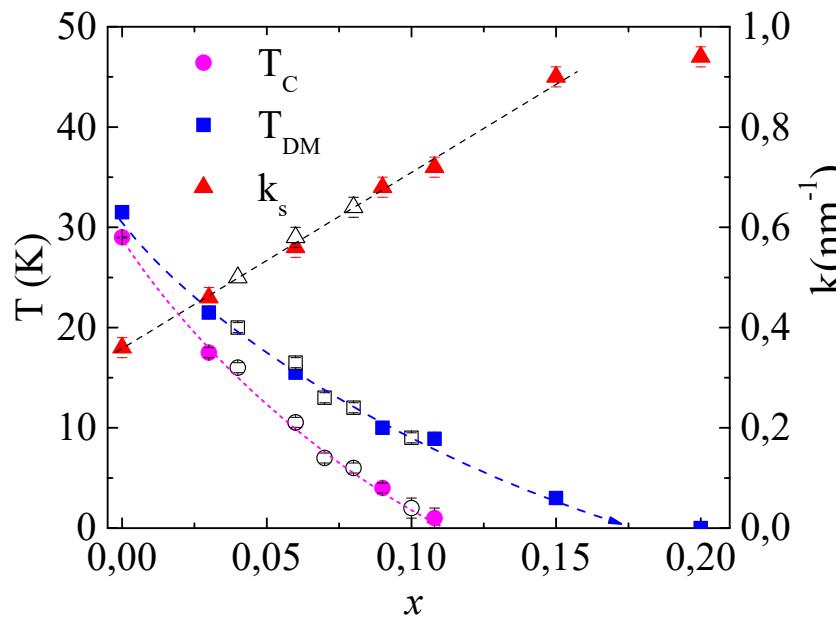
SANS intensity: scattering profiles.

Helical wave vector k



$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{[rF(\mathbf{q})]^2 T}{[B(q+k)^2 + \kappa^2] [(q-k)^2 + \kappa^2 + (|U|k^2/2)(\hat{q}^4 - 1/3)]} \frac{k^2 + q^2 + \kappa^2 - 2k\mathbf{q}\mathbf{P}_0}{}$$

Conclusions and questions:



(T-x) phase diagram
of $\text{Mn}_{1-y}\text{Fe}_y\text{Si}$

Conclusions

- Ordering temperature T_c approaches zero at $x = 0,11$
- Temperature T_{DM} approaches zero at $x = 0,17$
- Polarization is close to 1 at $x < 0,17$ means that Dzyaloshinskii-Moriya interaction is finite and provides chiral rotation of spins within magnetic fluctuations.

Question

- What is the value of ferromagnetic exchange interaction?
- Decreases together with T_c or with T_{DM} ?
Disorder induced by the antiferromagnetic bonds and DM interaction that destabilizes the magnetic order additionally.

Spin-waves in ferro- and heli- magnets

Mitsuo Kataoka, J.Phys.Soc.Jap. 56 (1987) 3635

- Dynamics in the “field-induced ferromagnetic” – fully polarized state $H > H_{C2}$

Ferromagnet

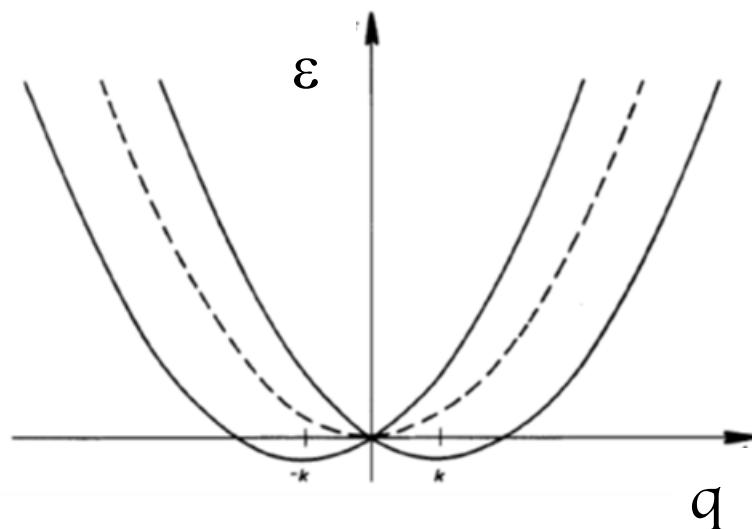
$$\varepsilon_q = Aq^2 + g\mu H$$

Helimagnet ($H > H_{C2}$)

$$\varepsilon_q = A(q - k)^2 + g\mu (H - H_{C2})$$

Bak-Jensen model

$$\begin{aligned} W(\mathbf{q}) = & E_{EX} + E_{DM} + E_{AE} + E_h = \\ = & (A/2) (q^2 + \kappa_0^2) \mathbf{S}_q^2 + \\ & + D (\mathbf{q} [\mathbf{S}_q \times \mathbf{S}_{-q}]) + E_{AE} + E_h \end{aligned}$$



- 1) $k = S D / A$
- 2) $A k^2 = g \mu_B H_C$

Small angle neutron scattering on spin waves in ferromagnets: kinematics

Conservation energy law

$$(1) \quad \hbar\omega = E' - E = \left(\frac{\hbar^2}{2m}\right)(k'^2 - k^2) = \varepsilon_q$$

Conservation impulse law

$$(2) \quad \vec{q} = \vec{k}' - \vec{k}$$

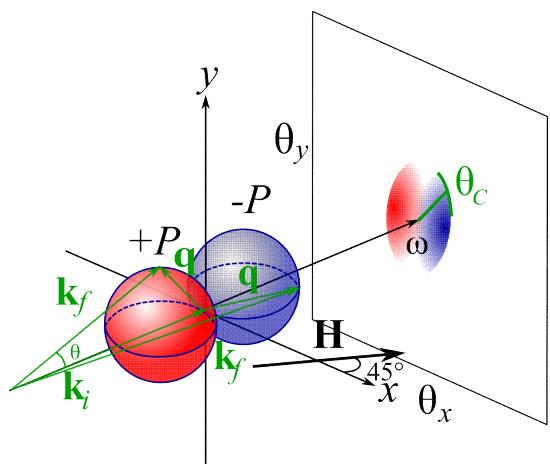
Dispersion of SW in ferromagnets:

$$(3) \quad \varepsilon_q = Aq^2$$

Substituting (3) to (1) and accounting for (2) we obtain the following solution:

$$(4) \quad k'^2 = k^2 - \alpha q^2$$

$$(5) \quad q^2 = k'^2 + k^2 - 2k'k \cos \theta$$



$$k' = \left(\frac{\alpha}{\alpha - 1} \right) k \left[\cos \theta \pm \sqrt{\cos^2 \theta - (1 - \alpha^{-2})} \right]$$

$$\theta_0 = \alpha^{-1} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2Dm}$$

A.I. Okorokov, V.V. Runov, B.P. Toperverg, A.D. Tretyakov, E.I. Maltsev, I.M. Puzeii, V.E. Mikhailova, JETP Lett. 43 (1986) 503.

Small angle neutron scattering on spin waves in helimagnets: kinematics

Conservation energy law

Conservation impulse law

Dispersion of SW in helimagnets:

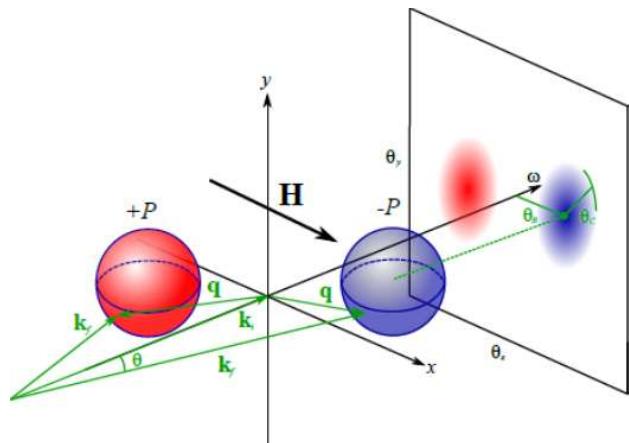
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$$(3) \quad \varepsilon_q = A(\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{k}_s)^2 + g\mu(H - H_{C2})$$

$$(4) \quad k'^2 = k^2 - \alpha(A(\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{k}_s)^2 + g\mu(H - H_{C2}))$$

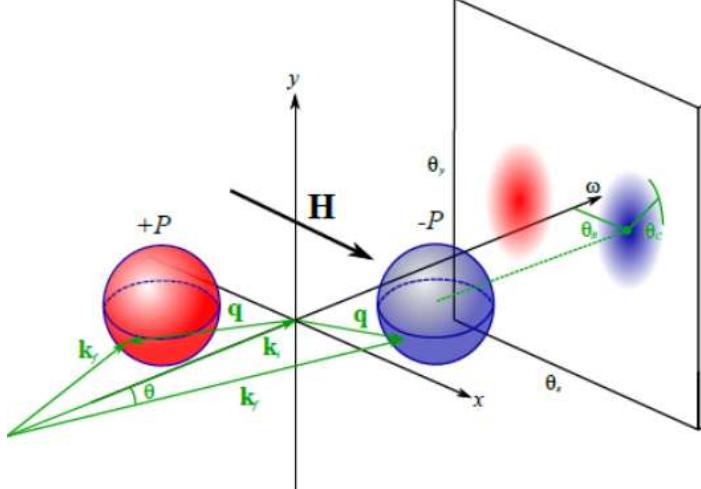


$$(\tilde{\omega} - \theta_0)^2 + (\theta_x - \theta_s)^2 + \theta_y^2 = \theta_c^2,$$

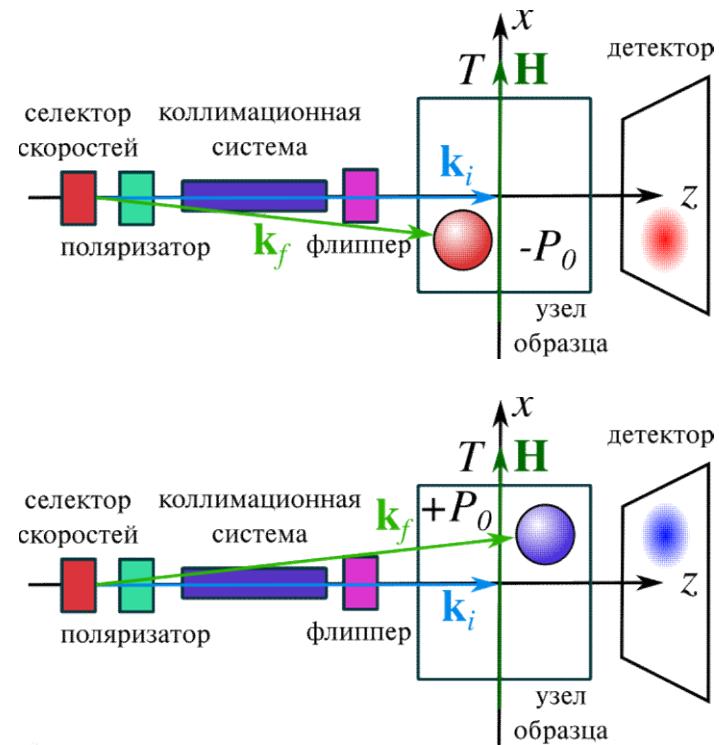
$$(\tilde{\omega} + \theta_0)^2 + (\theta_x + \theta_s)^2 + \theta_y^2 = \theta_c^2,$$

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Small Angle Polarized Neutron scattering on magnons in MnSi

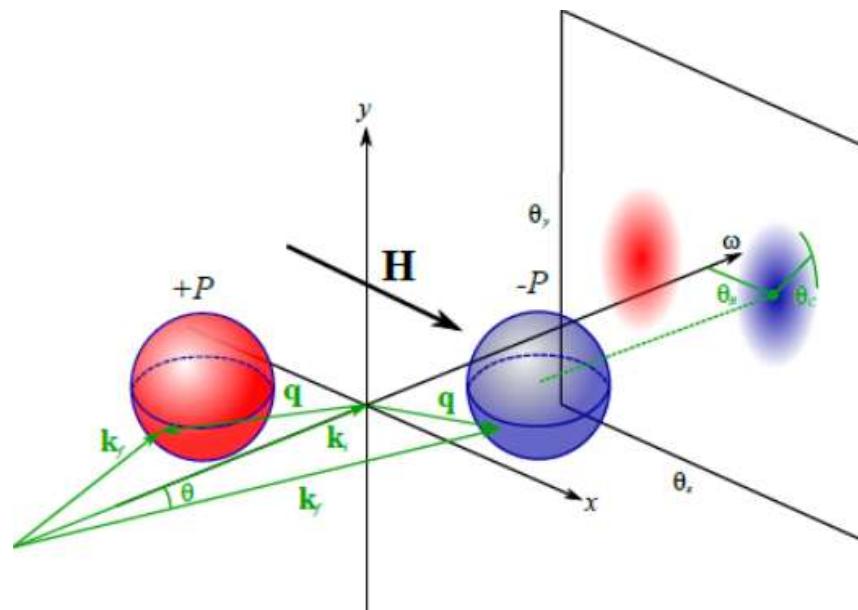


$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(\mathbf{q}, \omega) = & (r_m S)^2 F(\mathbf{q})^2 \left(\frac{k_f}{k_i} \right)^2 \times \\ & \times \{ [1 + (\mathbf{e}\mathbf{m})^2 + 2(\mathbf{e}\mathbf{m})(\mathbf{e}\mathbf{P}_0)] n_q \delta(\omega - \epsilon_q) + \\ & + [1 + (\mathbf{e}\mathbf{m})^2 - 2(\mathbf{e}\mathbf{m})(\mathbf{e}\mathbf{P}_0)] (n_q + 1) \delta(\omega + \epsilon_q) \}, \end{aligned}$$

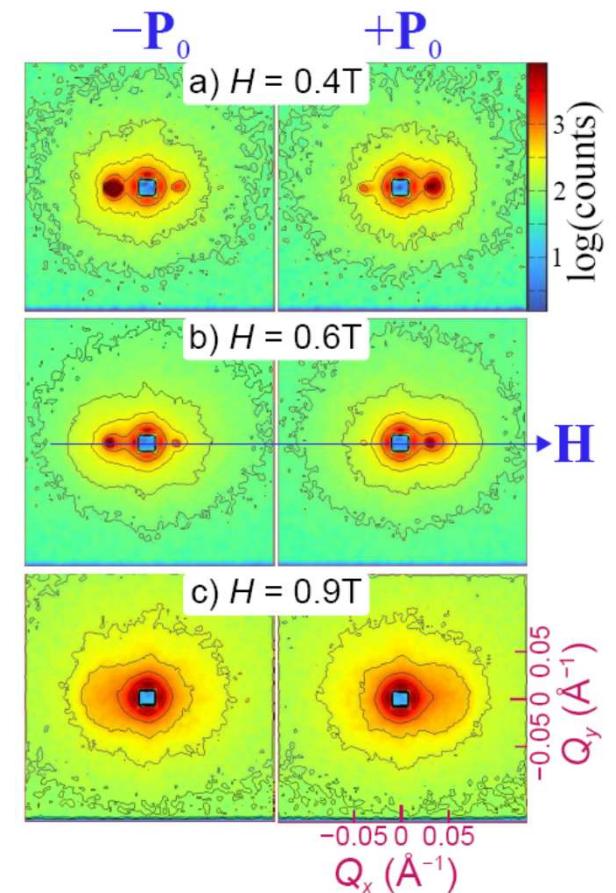


Experimental setup: SANS machines

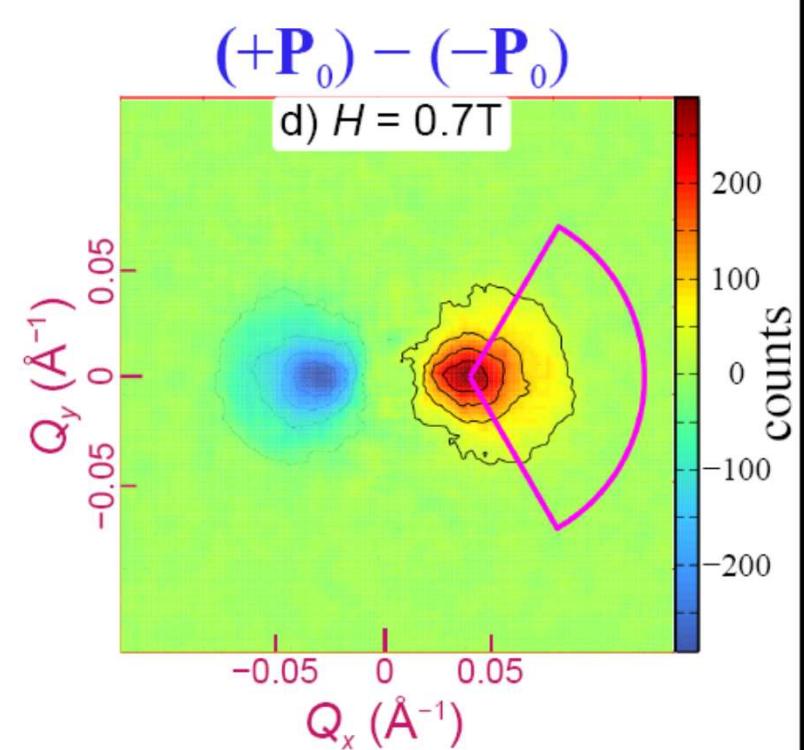
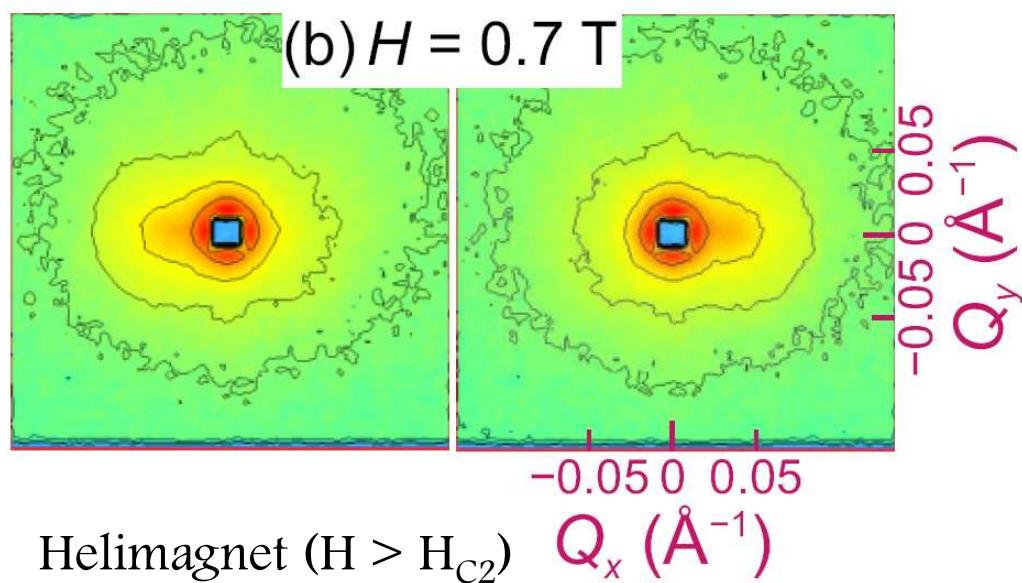
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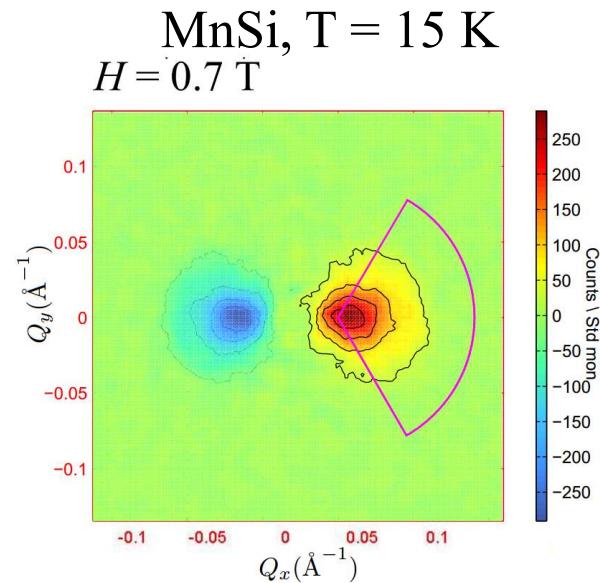


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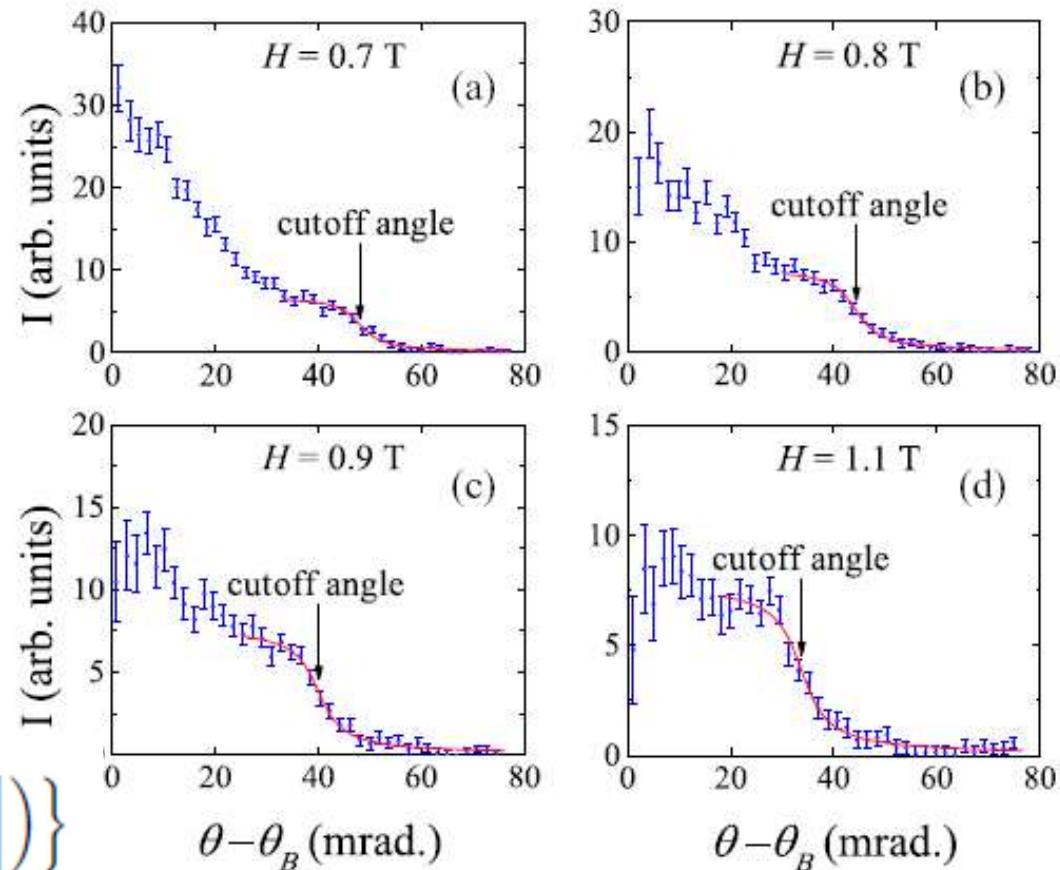


$$\begin{aligned} \Delta\sigma(\mathbf{q}, \omega) &= \sigma(\mathbf{q}, \omega, +P_0) - \sigma(\mathbf{q}, \omega, -P_0) = \\ &= 4(r_m S)^2 F(\mathbf{q})^2 \left(\frac{k_f}{k_i}\right)^2 (\text{em})^2 n_q [\delta(\omega - \epsilon_q) - \delta(\omega + \epsilon_q)]. \end{aligned}$$

Field-evolution of anti-symmetric part of neutron scattering in MnSi

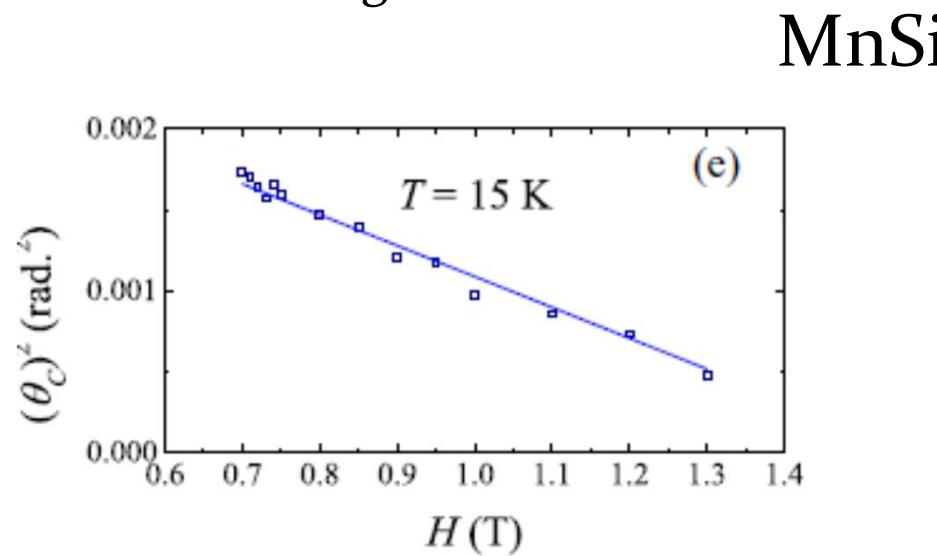


$$I(\theta) = I_0 \left\{ \frac{1}{2} - \left(\frac{1}{\pi} \arctan \left[\frac{2(\theta - \theta_C)}{\delta} \right] \right) \right\}$$



Spin wave stiffness of MnSi by polarized SANS

Field dependence of cut-off angle



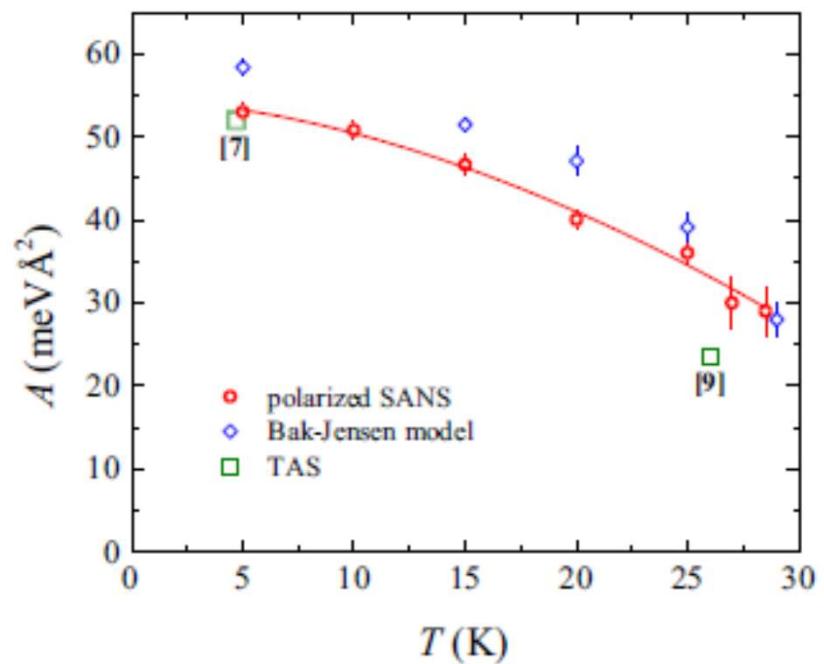
$$\theta_c^2 = \theta_0^2 - \theta_0 \frac{g\mu_B(H-H_{c2})}{E_i}$$

$$\theta_0 = \frac{\hbar^2}{2Am_n} \quad A = \hbar^2/(2m_n\theta_0)$$

$$A = 48 \text{ meV A}^2$$

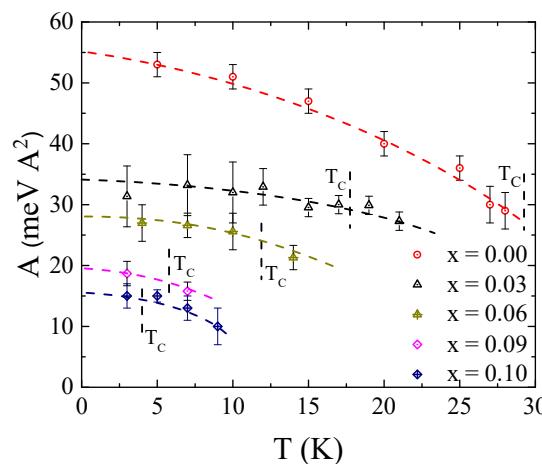
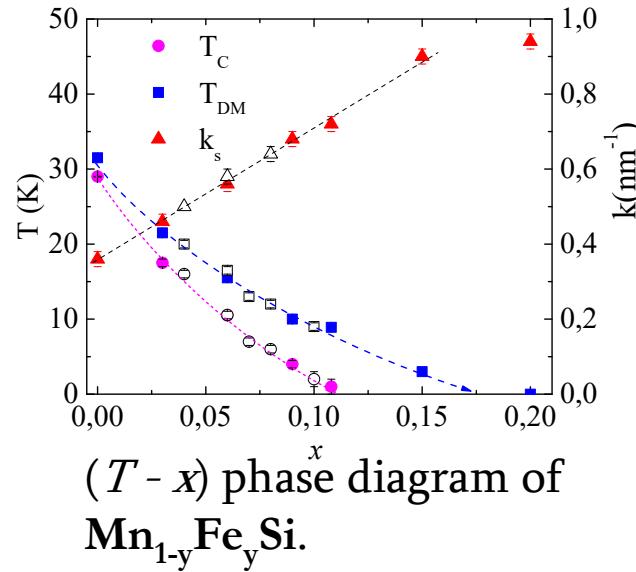
$$T = 15 \text{ K } (H > H_{c2})$$

Temperature dependence of spin wave stiffness

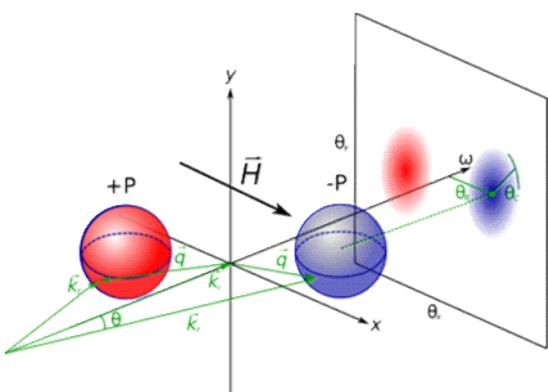
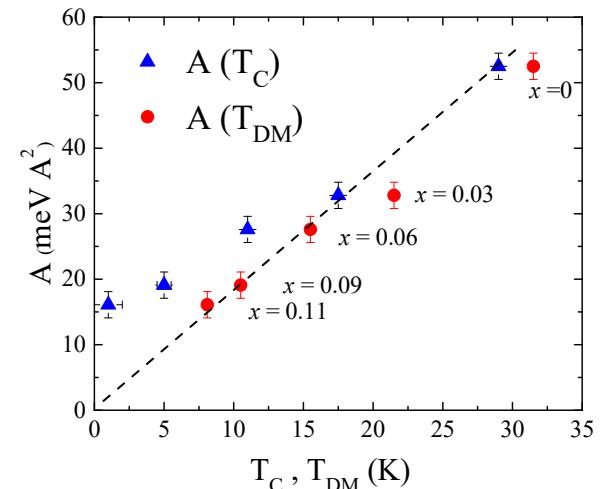


$$g\mu_B H_{C2} = Ak_s^2$$

Spin wave stiffness measurements in $\text{Mn}_{1-x}\text{Fe}_x\text{Si}$



SW stiffness A vs T_c , T_{DM} in $\text{Mn}_{1-y}\text{Fe}_y\text{Si}$.



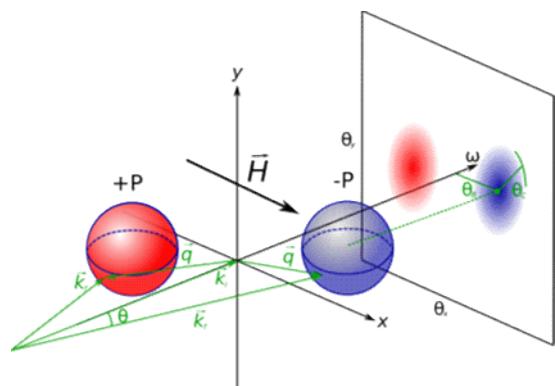
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Conclusion (almost)

We have experimentally proven the validity of the spin-wave dispersion relation for helimagnets with the DM interaction in the full-polarized state (Mitsuo Kataoka, J.Phys.Soc.Jap. 56 (1987) 3635):

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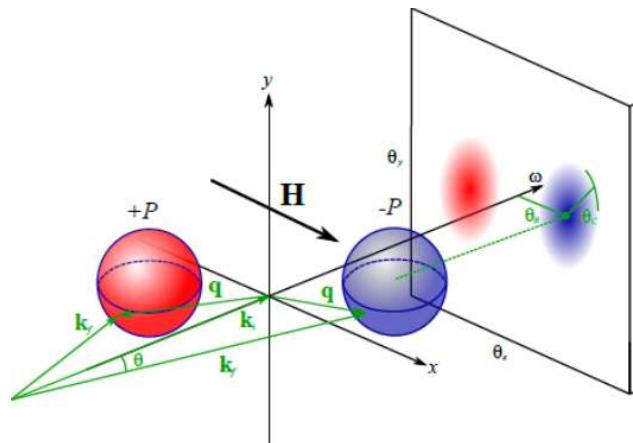
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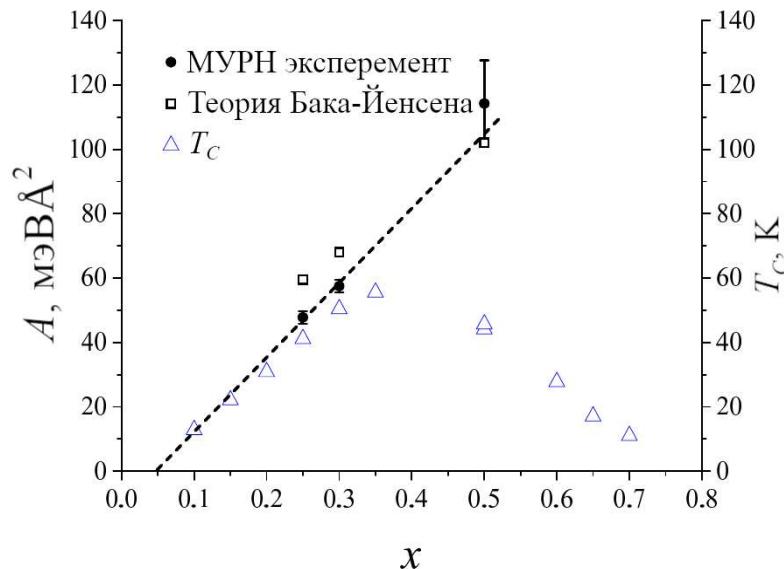
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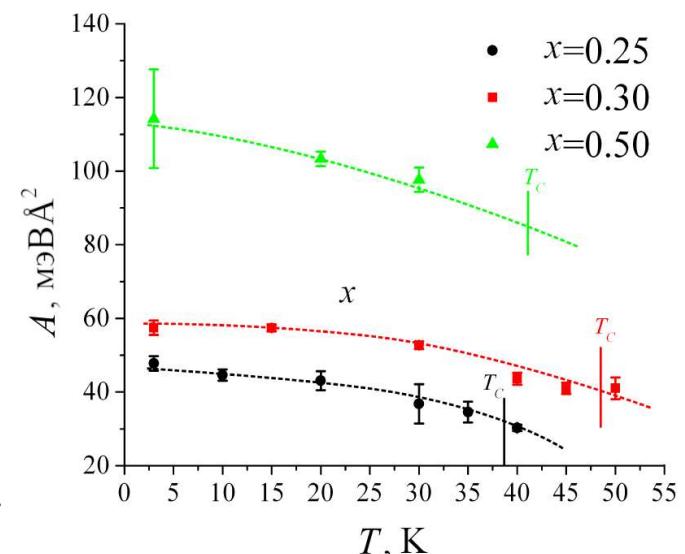
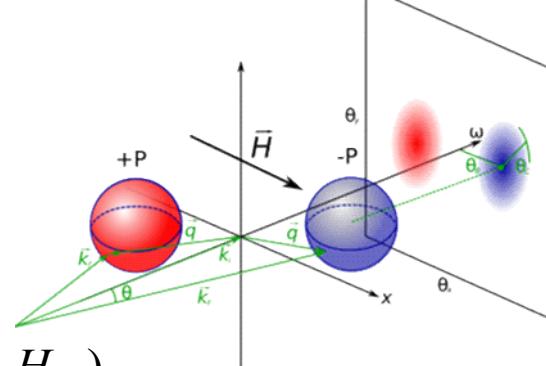


Spin wave stiffness measurements in $\text{Fe}_{1-x}\text{Co}_x\text{Si}$



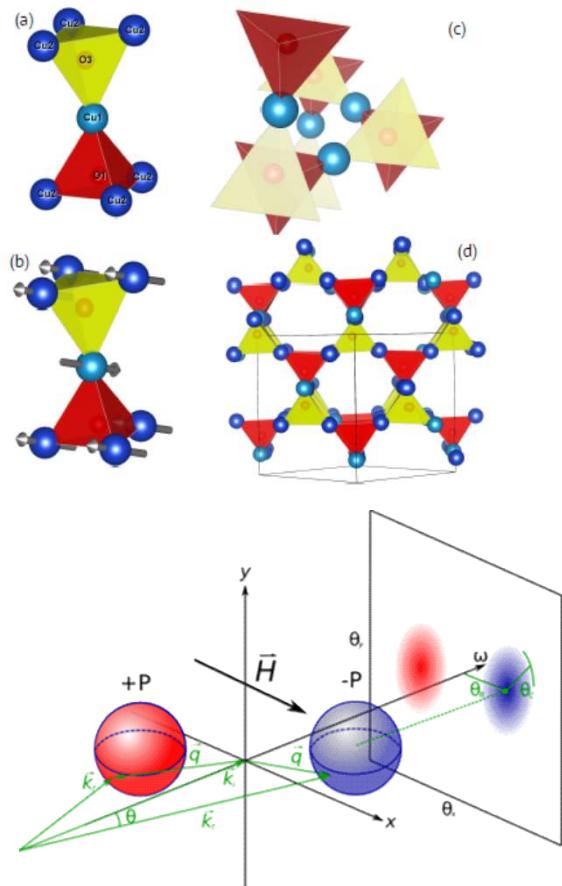
(T - x) phase diagram of
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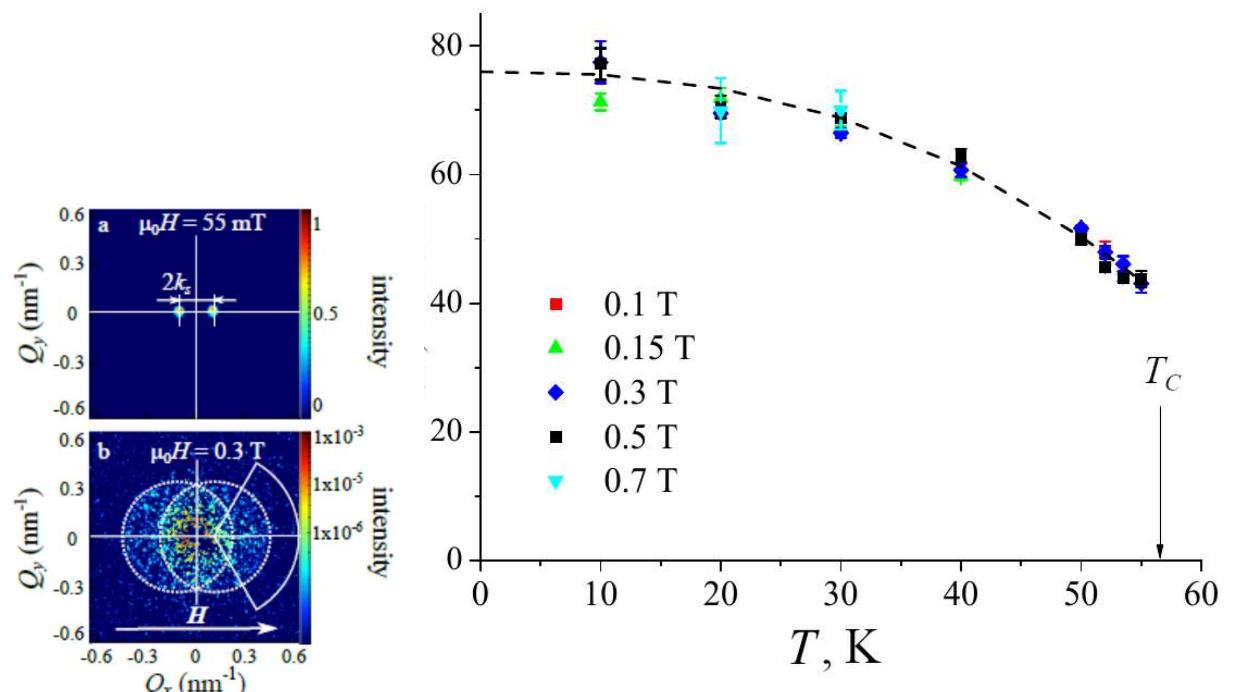
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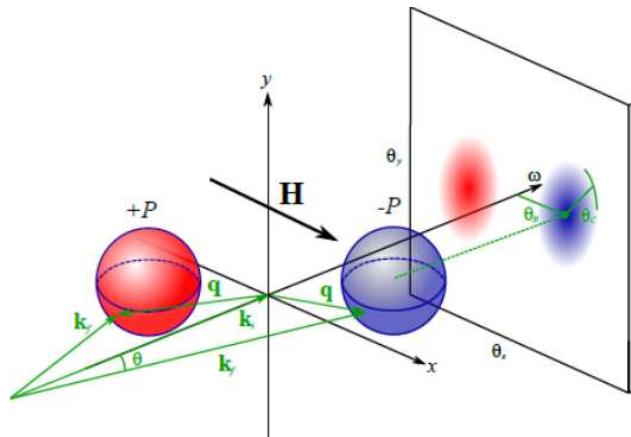
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For all these compounds the ratio
 $A = g \mu_B H_{C2} / k^2$
gives the value of spin-wave stiffness
A close to that **measured**
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