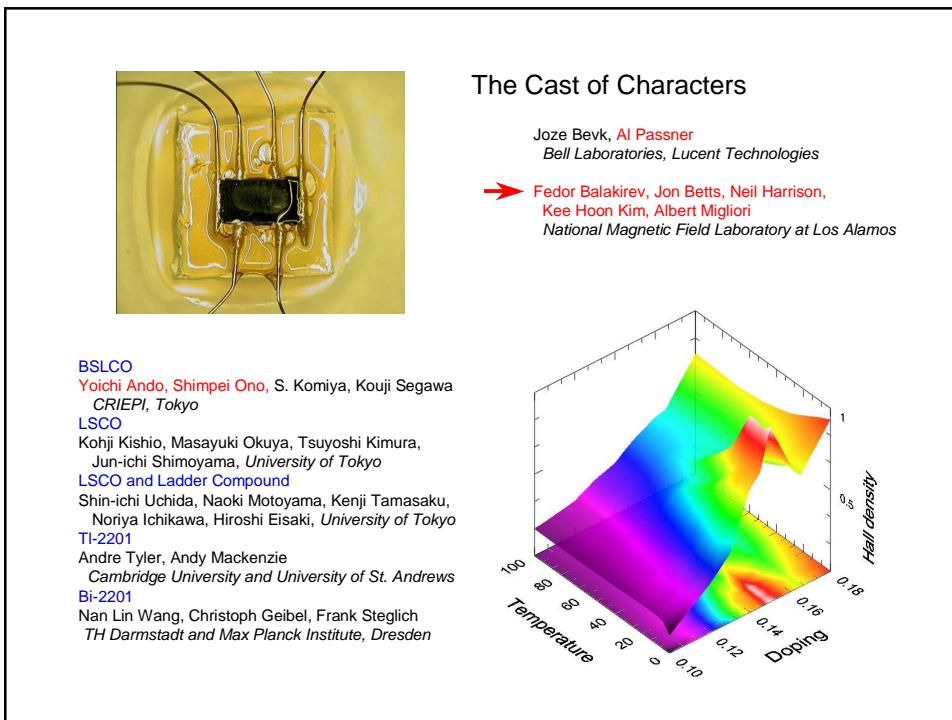
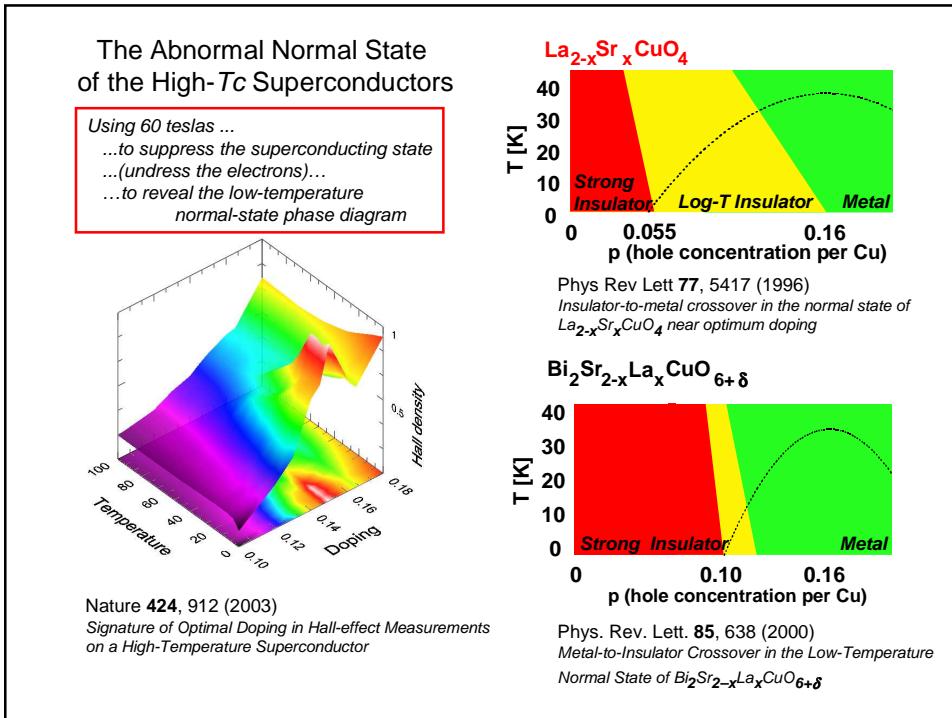
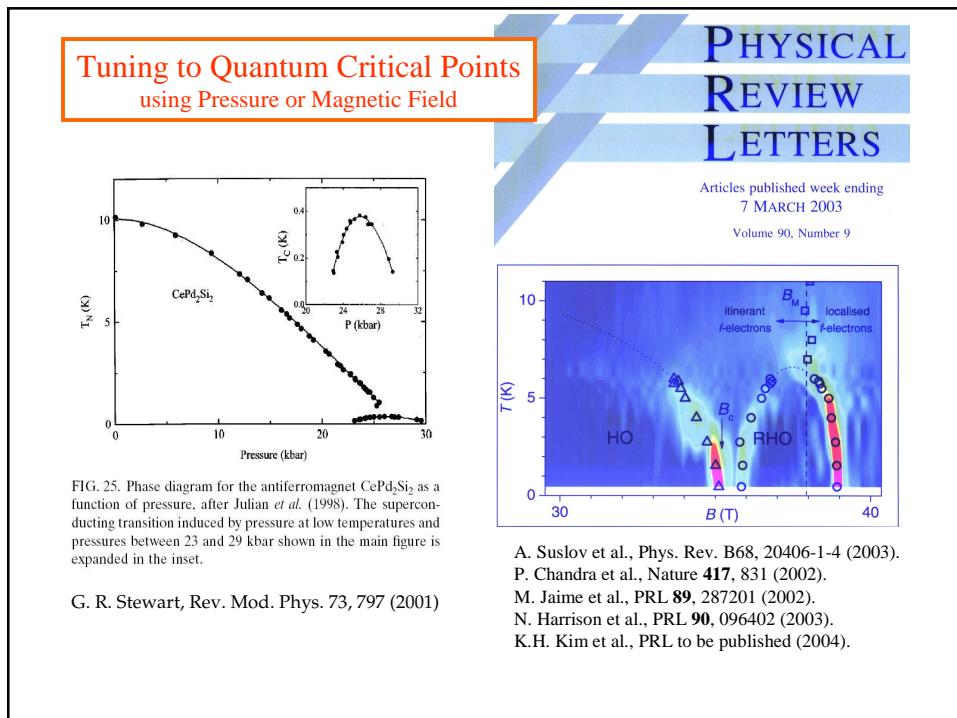
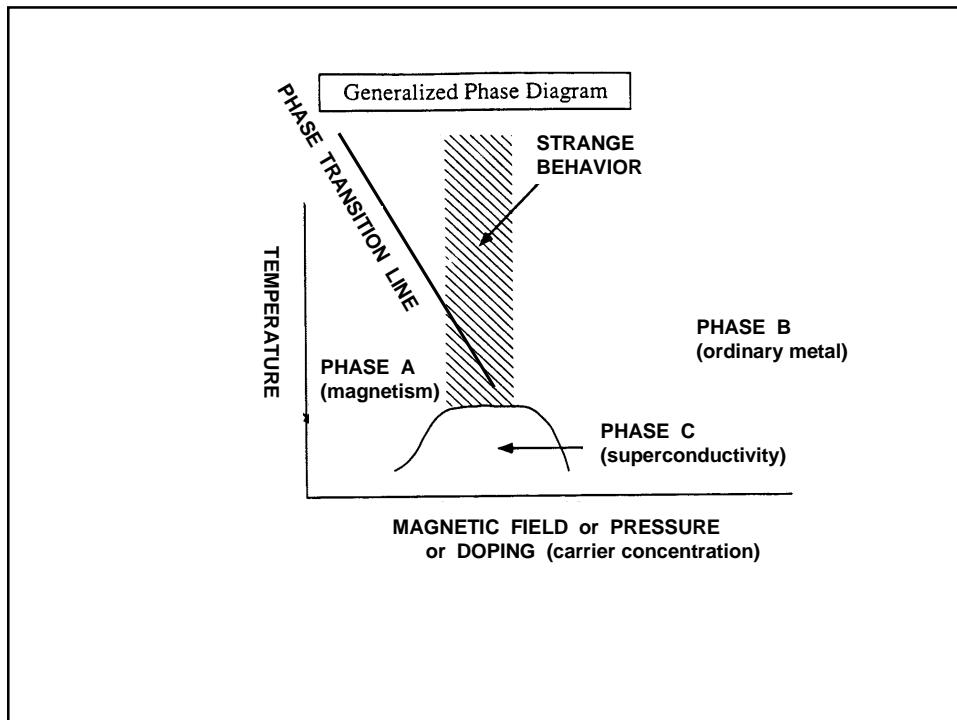


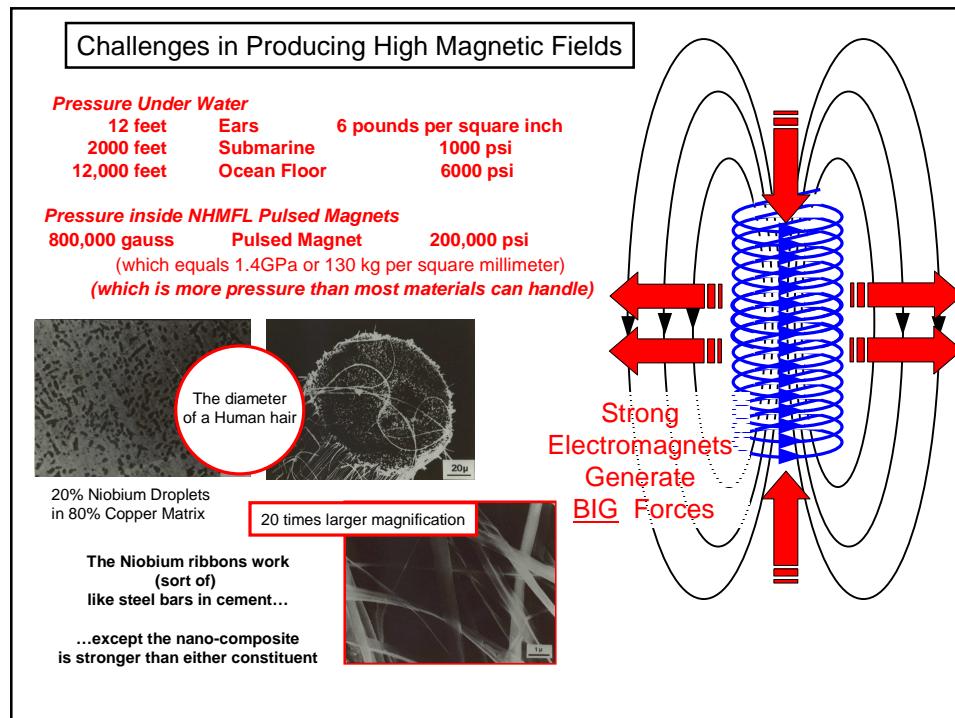
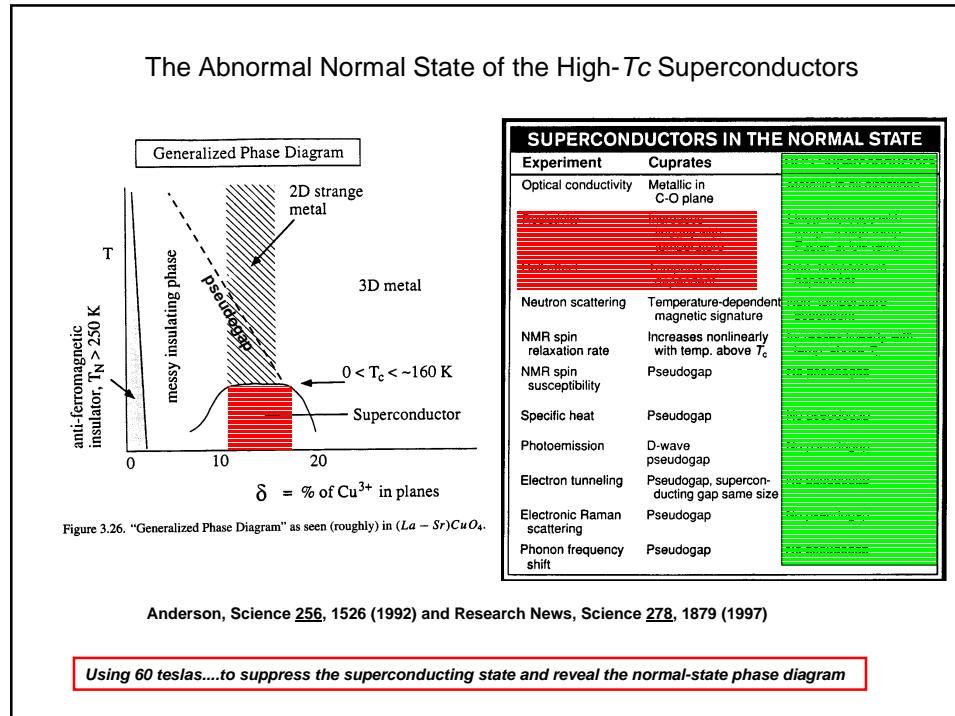
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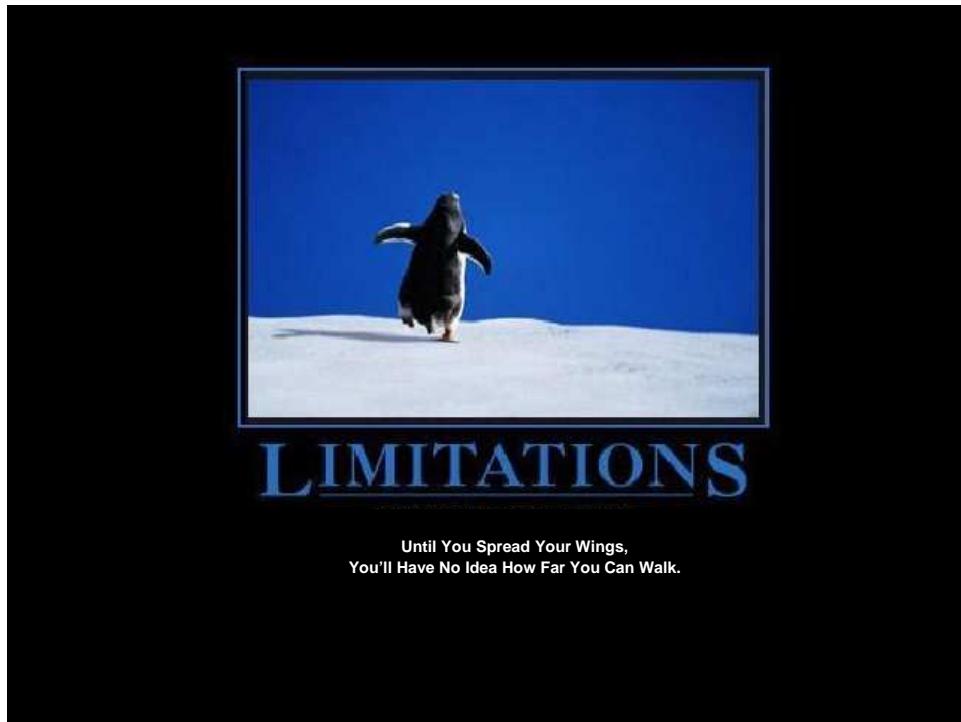
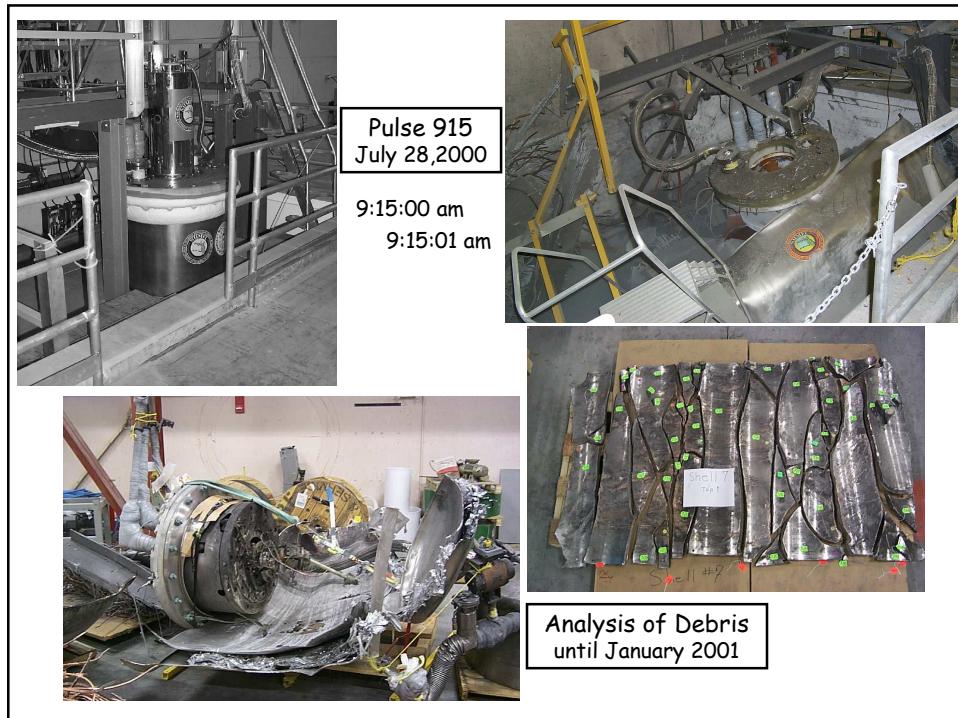
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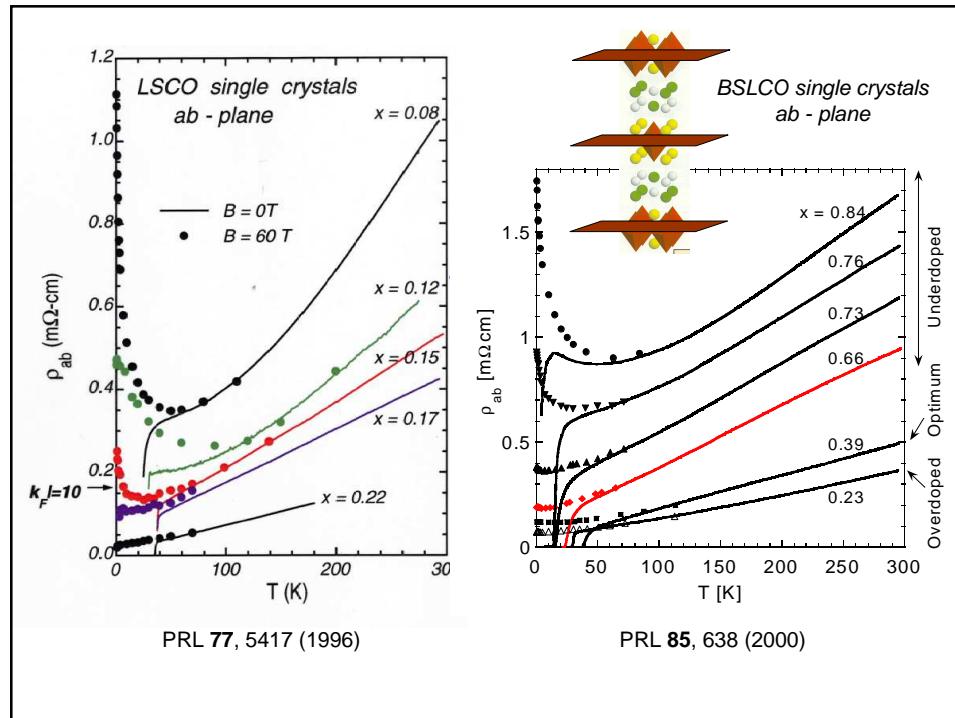
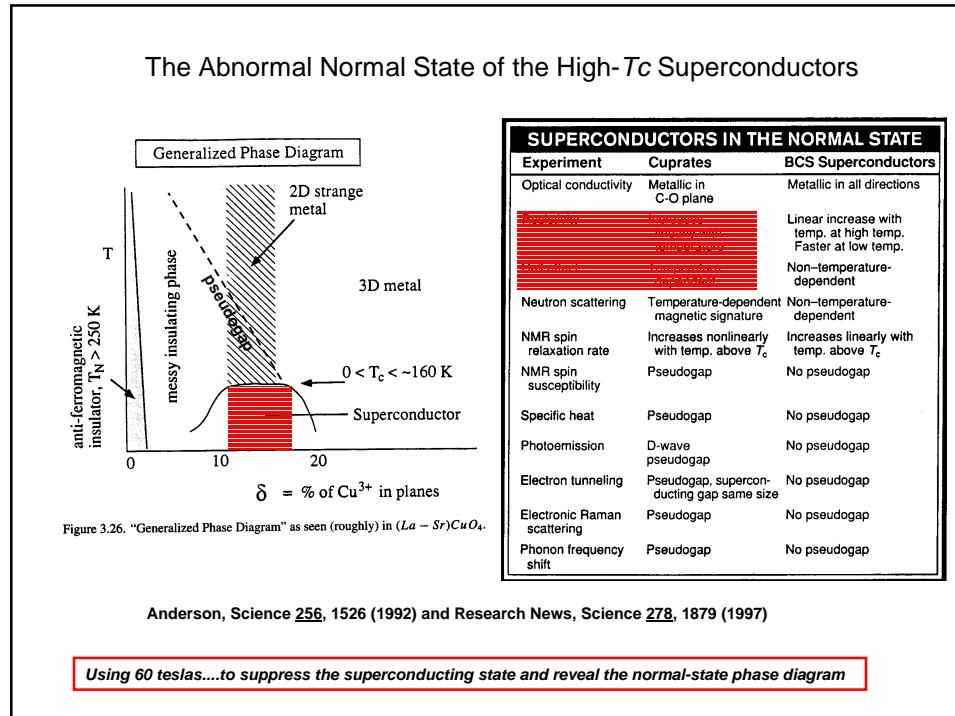
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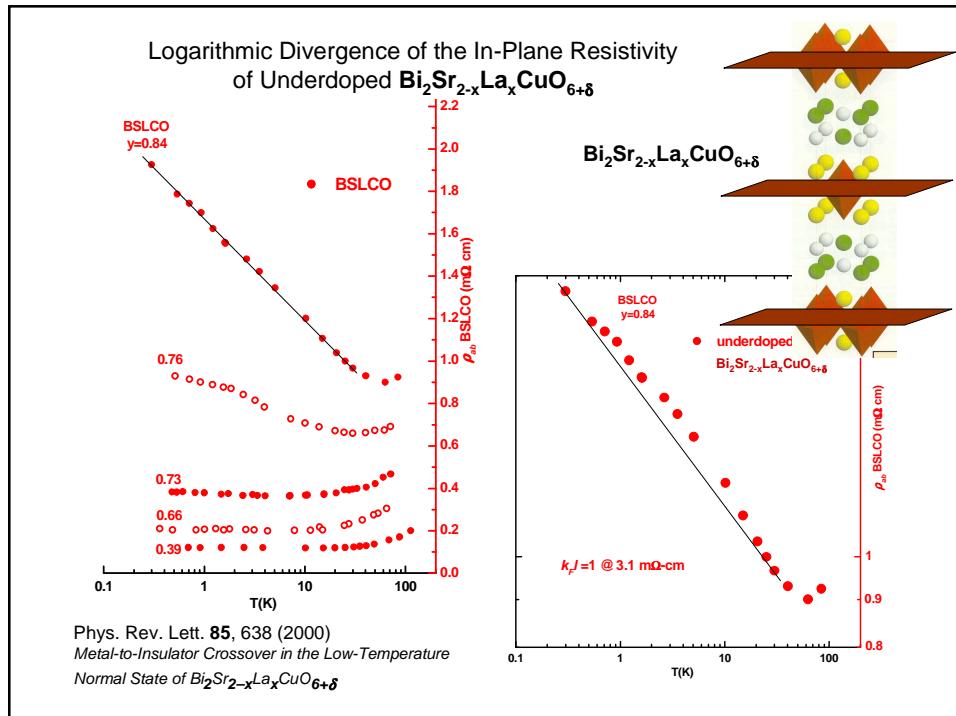
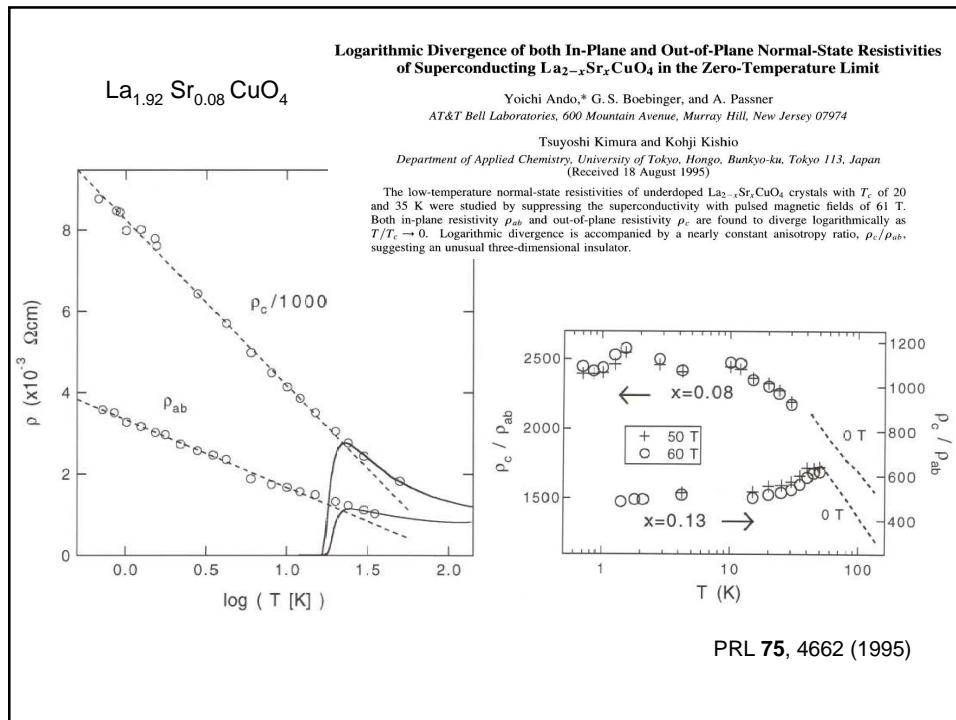
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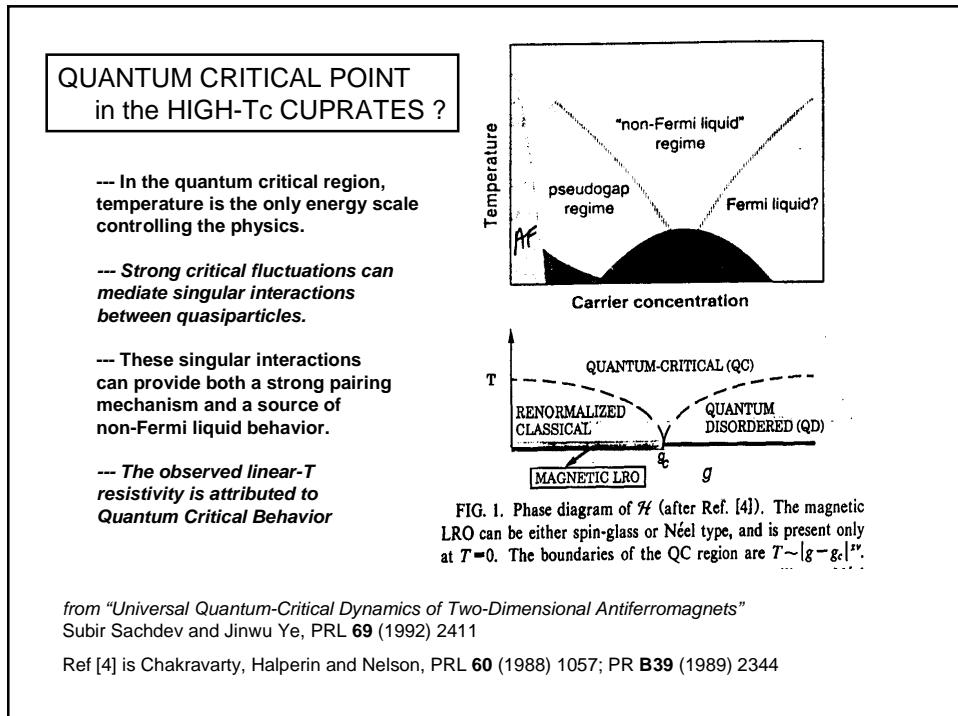
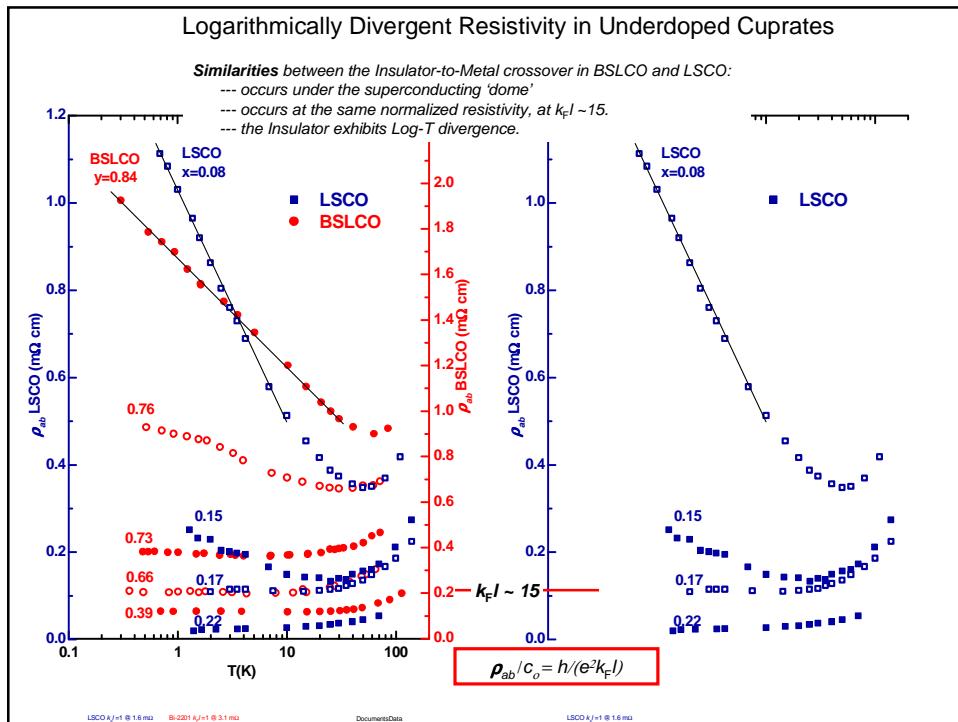
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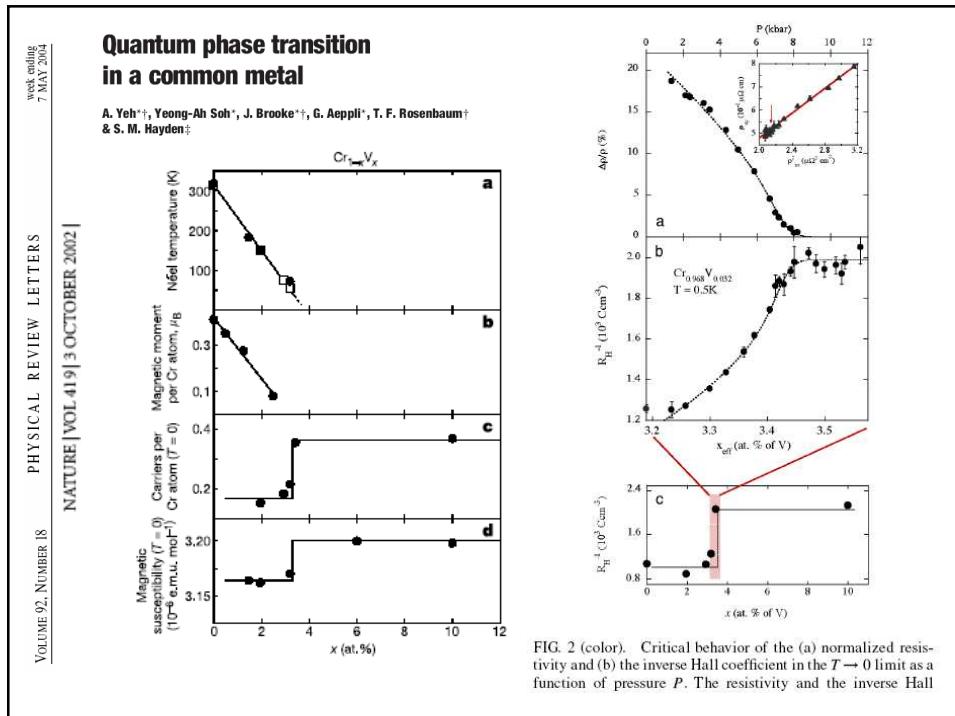
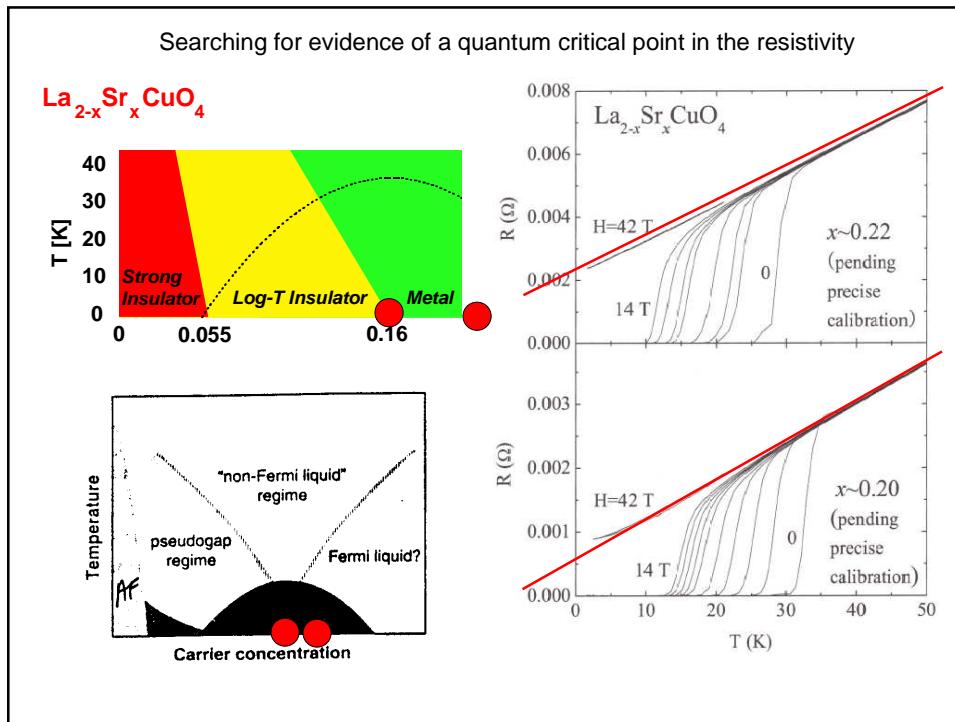
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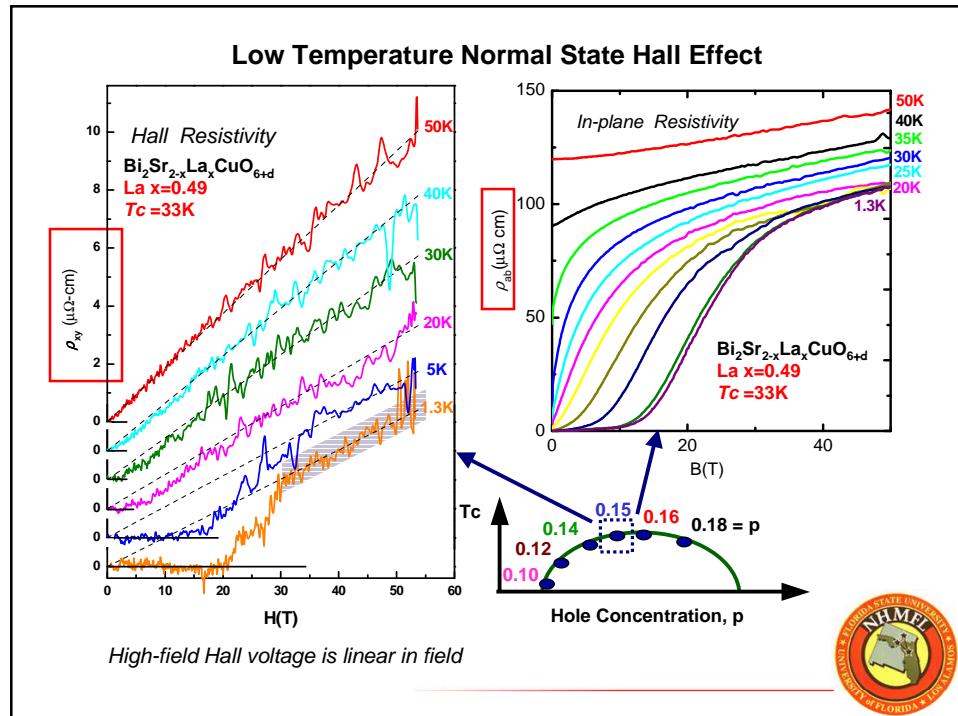
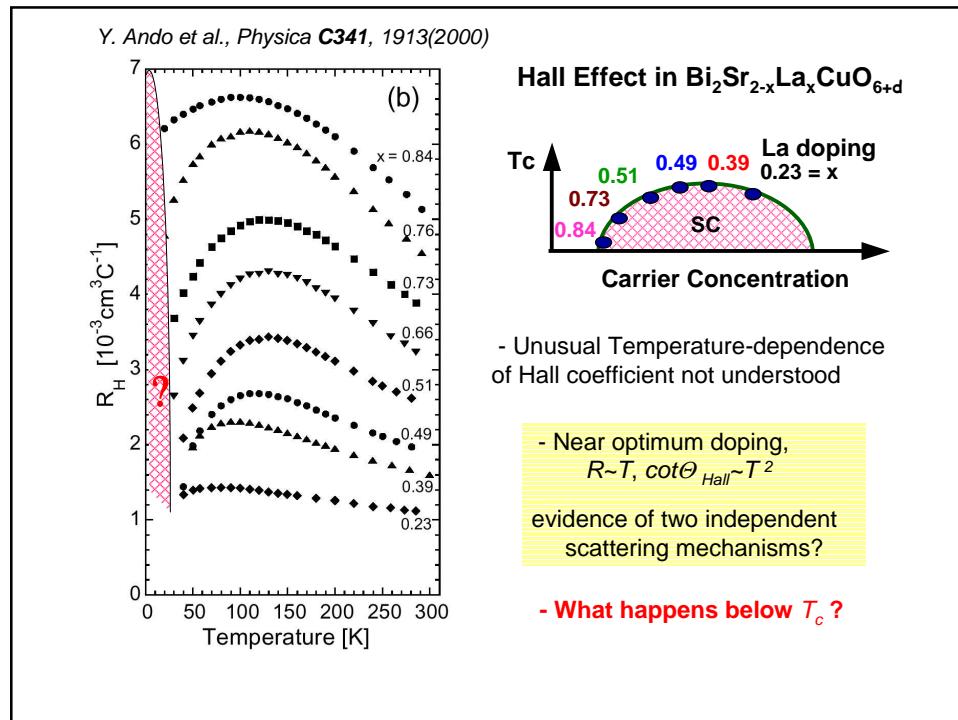
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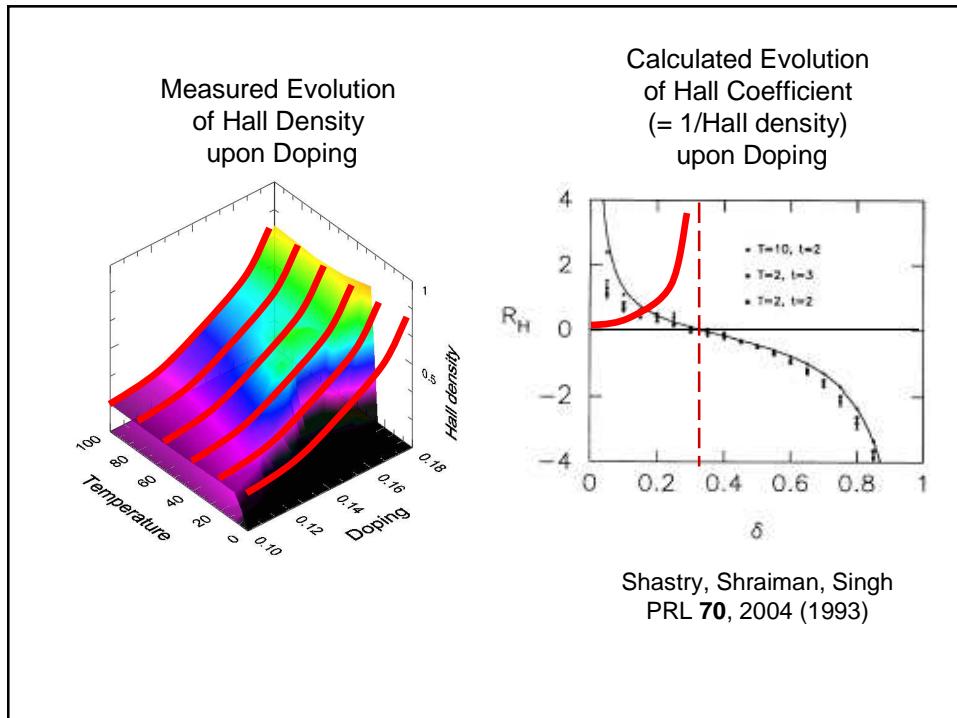
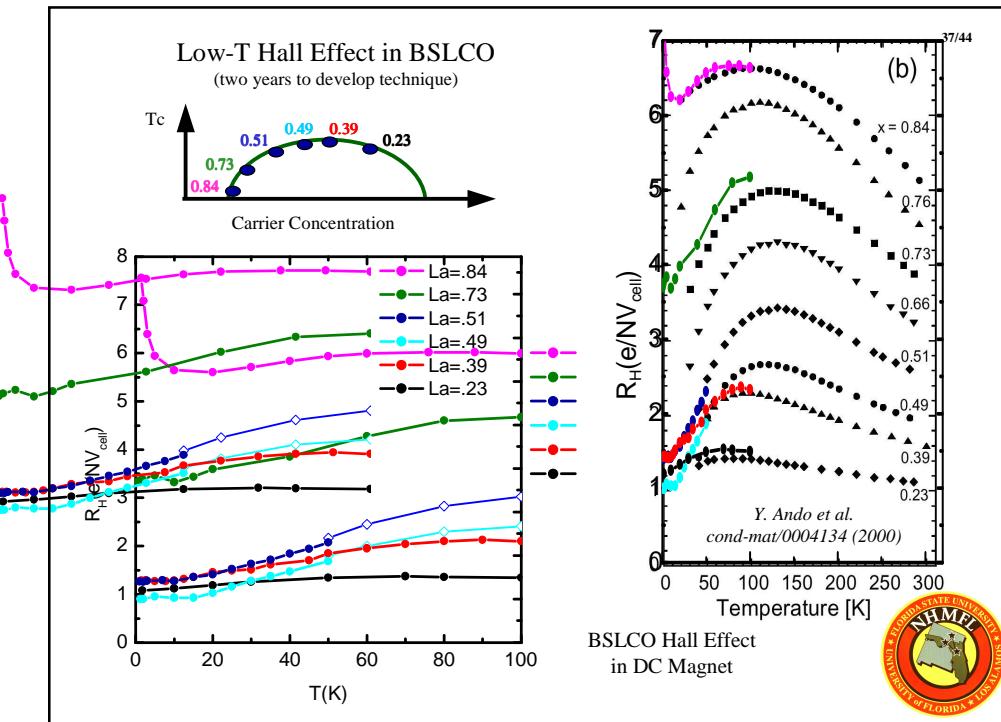
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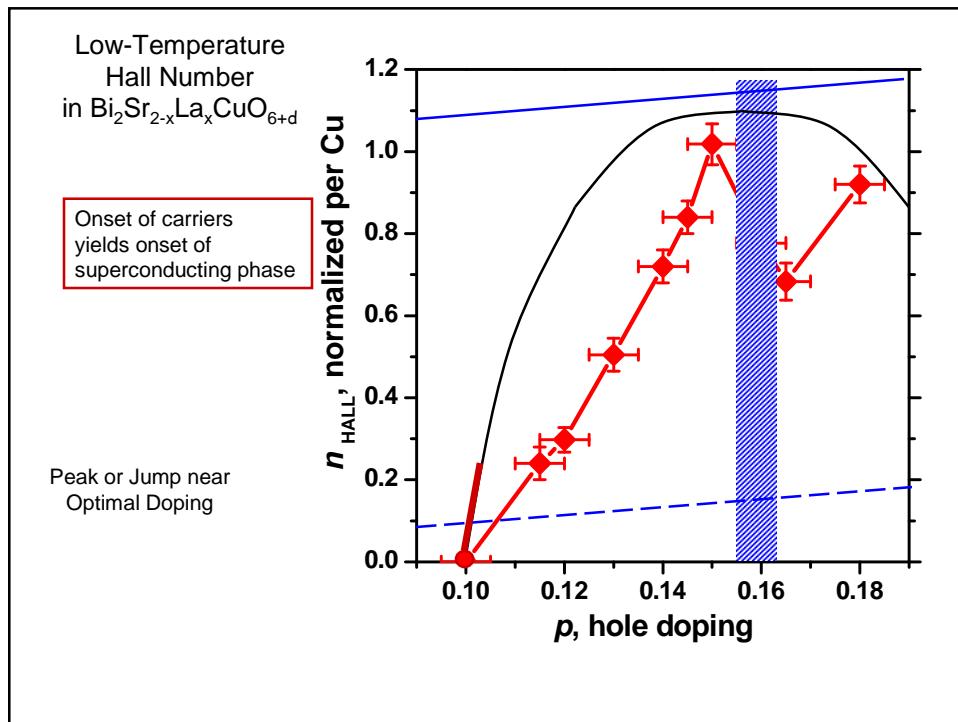
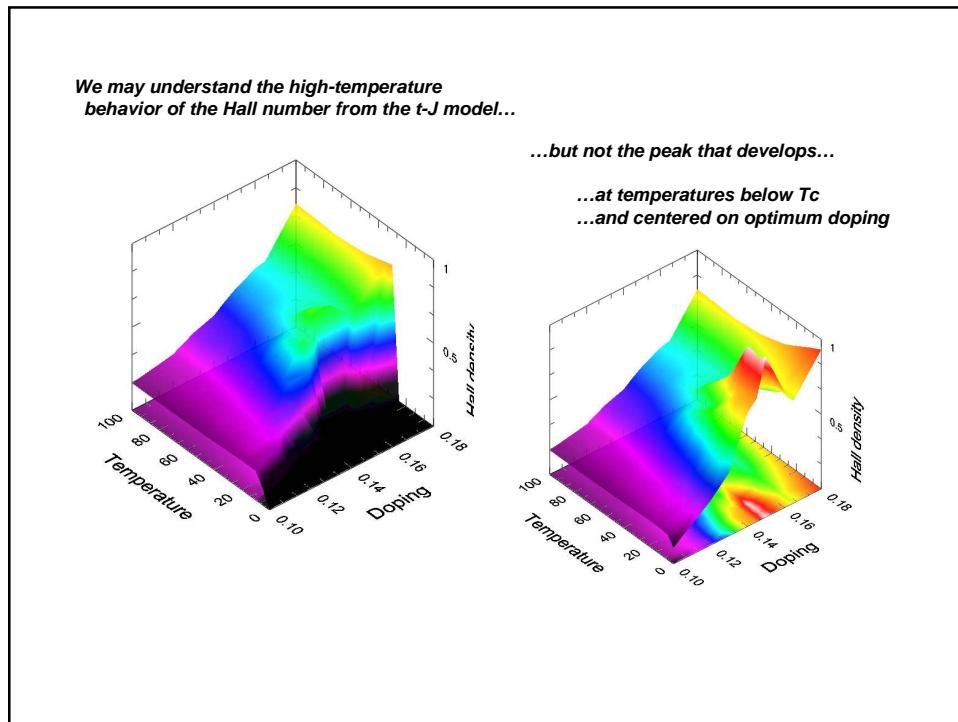
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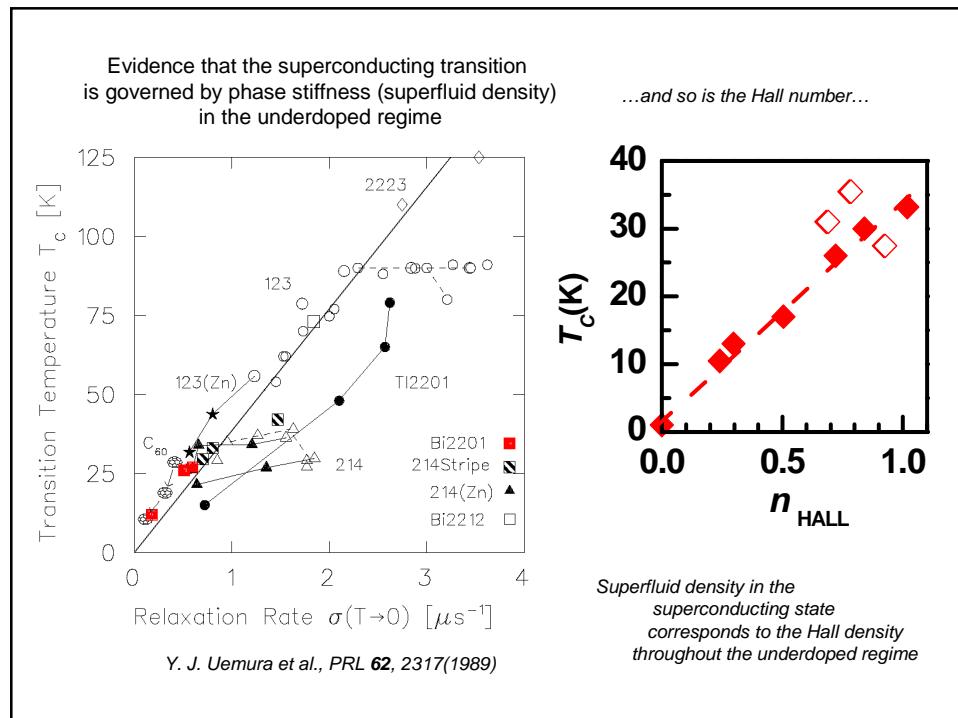
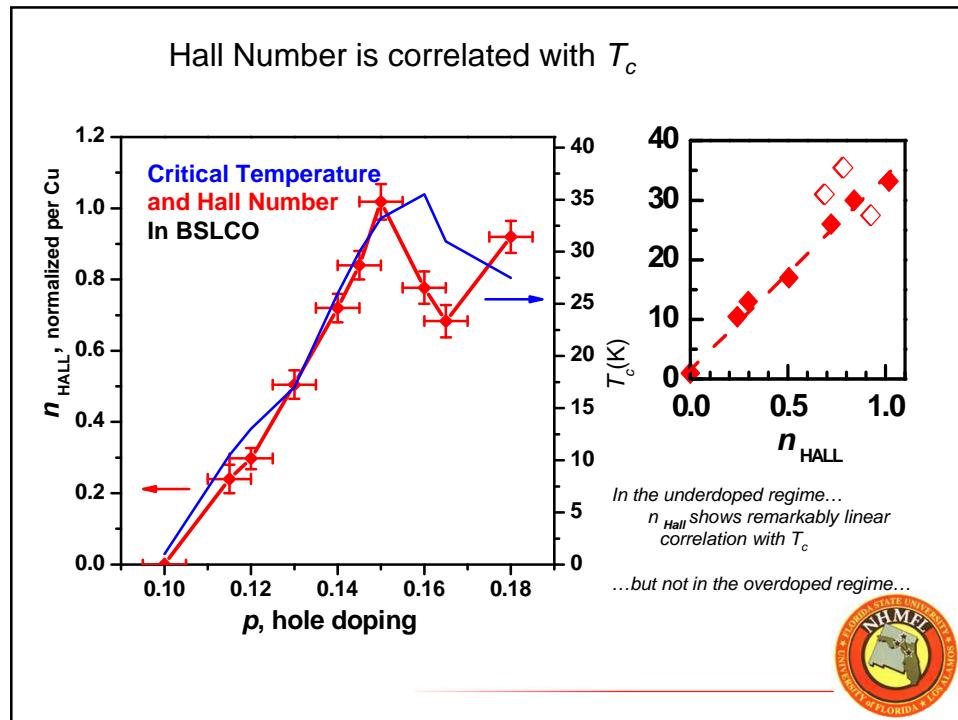
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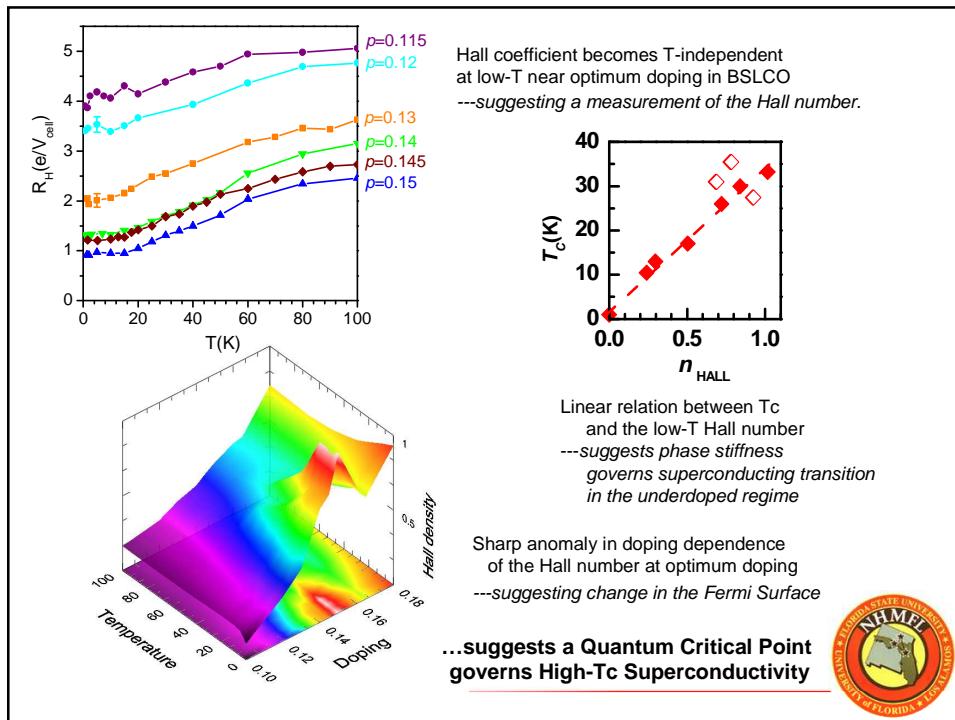
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SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY NEWS THE WEEK'S BEST IDEAS

NewScientist

Magnetic Field-Induced Condensation of Triplons in Han Purple Pigment $\text{BaCuSi}_2\text{O}_6$

M. Jaime^{1*}, V. F. Correa¹, N. Harrison¹, C. D. Batista², N. Kawashima³, Y. Kazuma³, G. A. Jorge^{1,4}, R. Stern⁵, I. Heimanns⁵, S. A. Zvyagin⁶, Y. Sasago^{7†}, K. Uchinokura^{7†}

Purple in a spin

A RARE quantum state has been discovered in a pigment first made in China 2000 years ago.

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Only one quantum property of the atoms in Han purple condenses – their spin. Physicists toying with spintronic devices, which use spin to process information, could put this to use, says team member Marcelo Jaime of the Los Alamos National Laboratory in New Mexico. "It may lead to an entirely new type of spintronics," he says.

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Triplet

Singlet

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BaCuSi₂O₆: An ancient pigment
A quasi-2D magnetic insulator
Gapped spin dimer ground state

Magnetic fields drive a phase transition to a gas of bosonic spin triplet excitations (triplons)

Transition to a coherent state marked by
Quasi-linear increase in magnetization
Distinct lambda-anomaly in specific heat
Maximum in magnetic susceptibility

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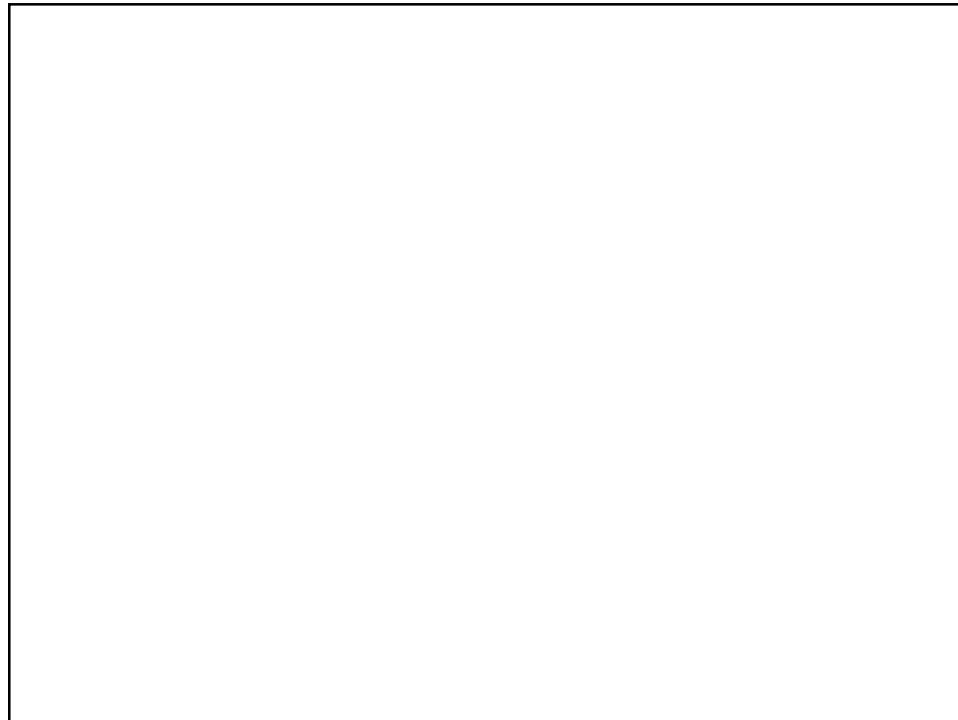
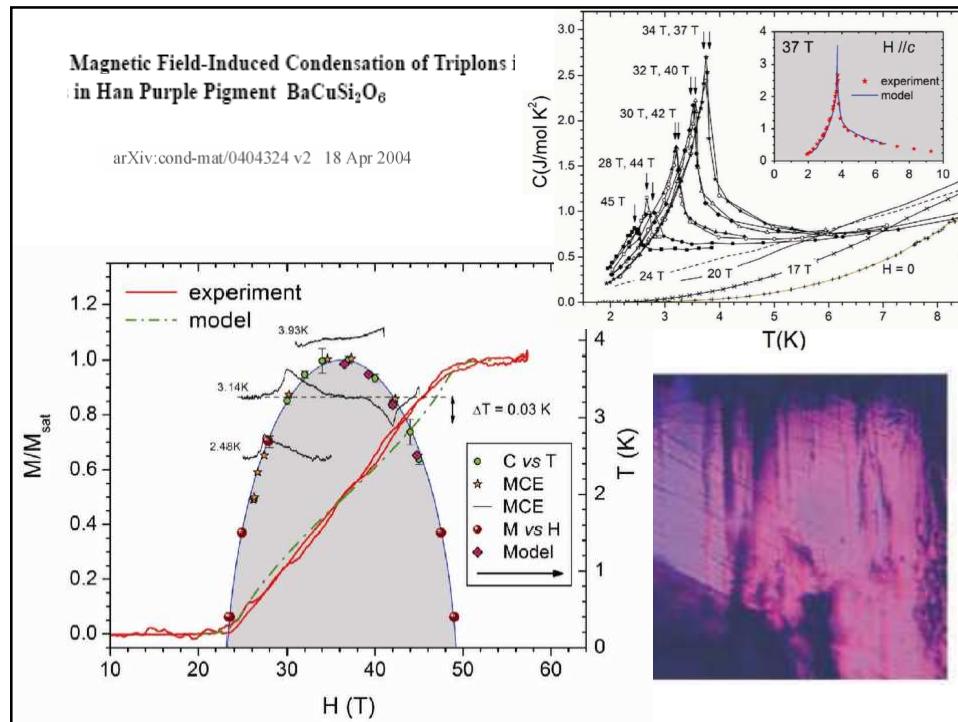
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