



Proximity and vortex pinning in YBCO/LSMO bilayers

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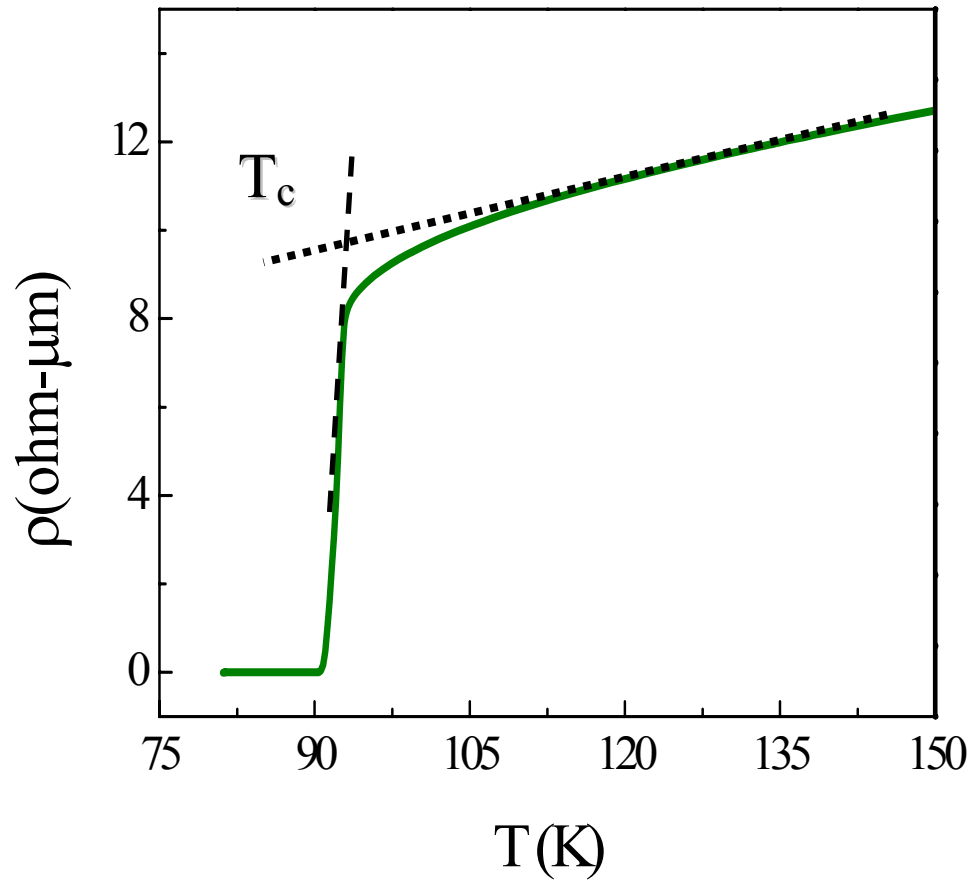
II. Experiment

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IV. Conclusion



Zero resistance in YBCO



$\text{YBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_7$
 $T_c = 93 \text{ K}$
 $H_{c2} \sim 165 \text{ T}$

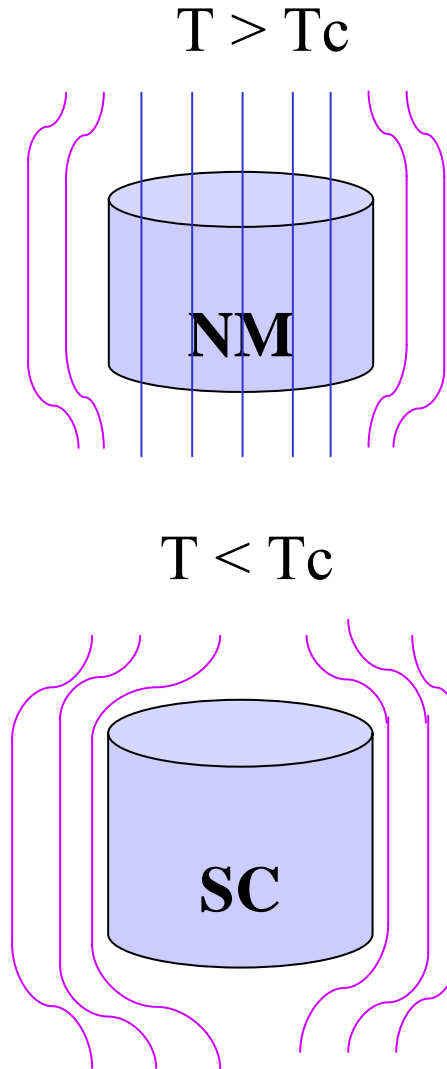
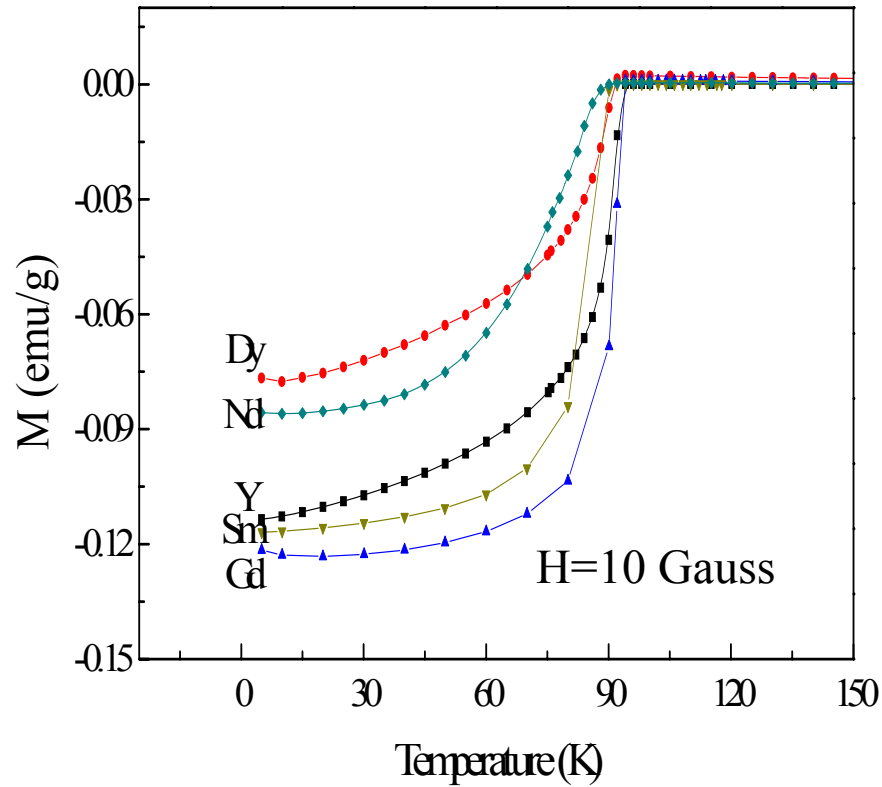
$$T > T_c : \\ \rho = \rho_0 + AT$$

$$T < T_c : \\ \rho = 0$$

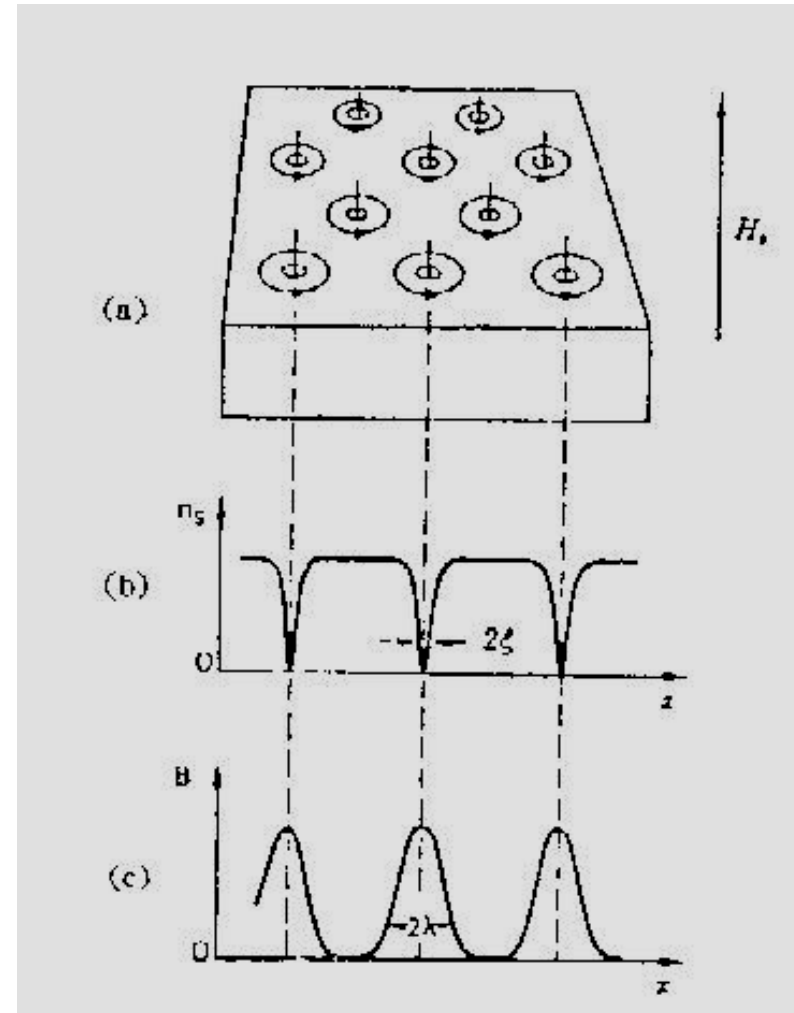
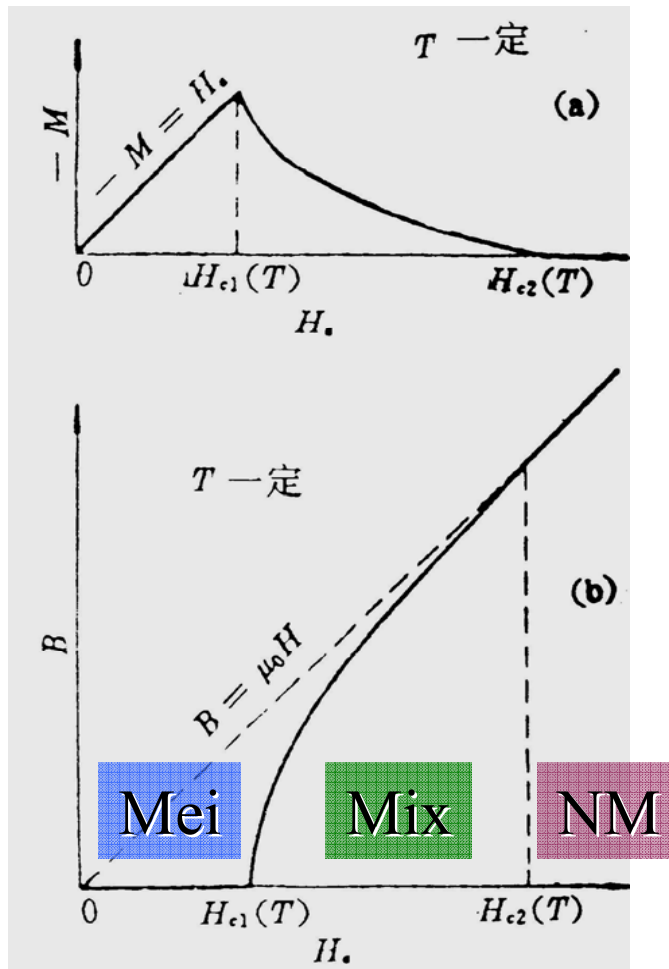
M.K. Wu & C.W. Chu, PRL 58 (1987)



Meissner effect in RBCO, $R = \text{rare earth ions}$



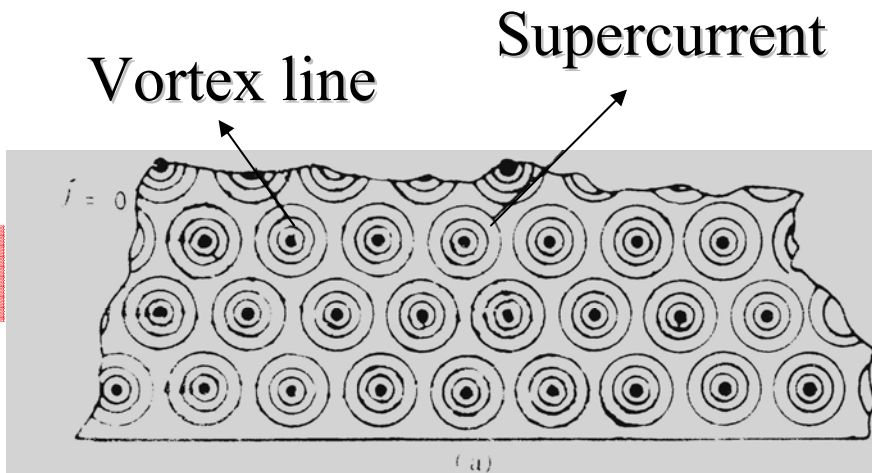
Vortex structure in type II superconductor



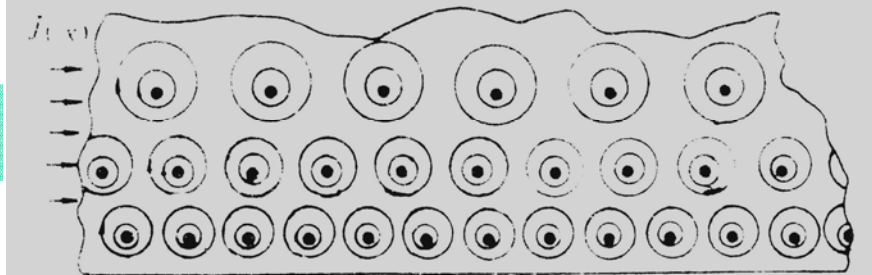


Vortex pinning in type II superconductor

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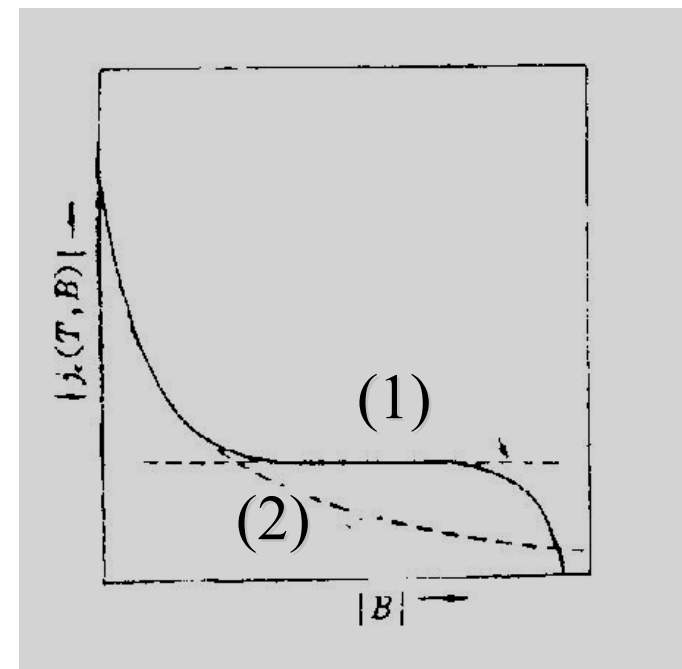


$j(x)$



Bean: $\alpha = B j_c$ --- (1)

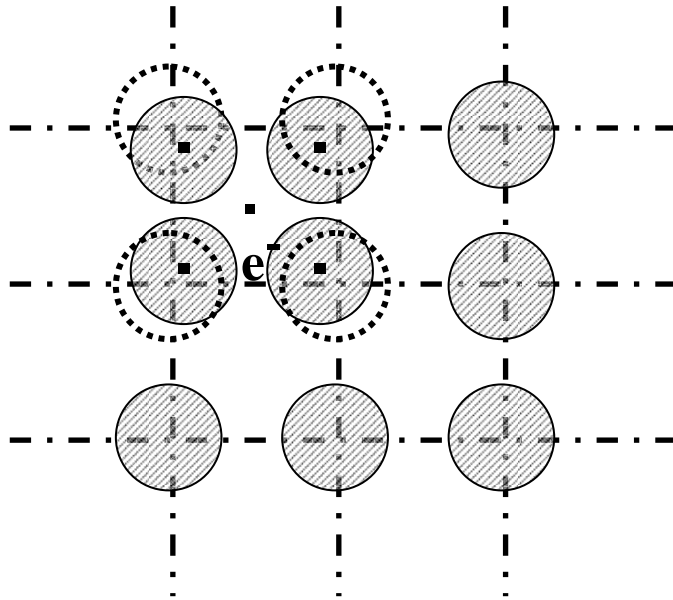
K-A: $\alpha = j_c (B + B_0)$ --- (2)



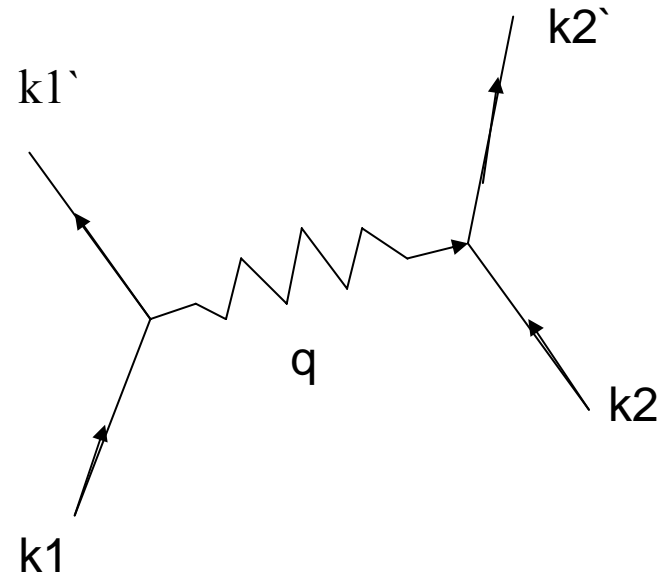


BCS Theory Work?

$$k_B T_c \sim \hbar \omega \exp[-1/g]$$
$$g = N(0)V$$



Phonon-electron interaction



Cooper pair



Models for High- T_c materials

BCS-like $k_B T_c = E_{\text{char}} \exp[-(1 + \lambda) / \lambda]$

RVB $k_B T_c = C \delta (t_{\perp}^2 / t_{\parallel}^2) U$ (Anderson, 1987)

Hubbard model

$$k_B T_c = t_{\parallel} \delta \exp(-U \delta / t_{\parallel}) \quad (\text{Cyrot, 1987})$$

Charge-transfer/hole-depletion

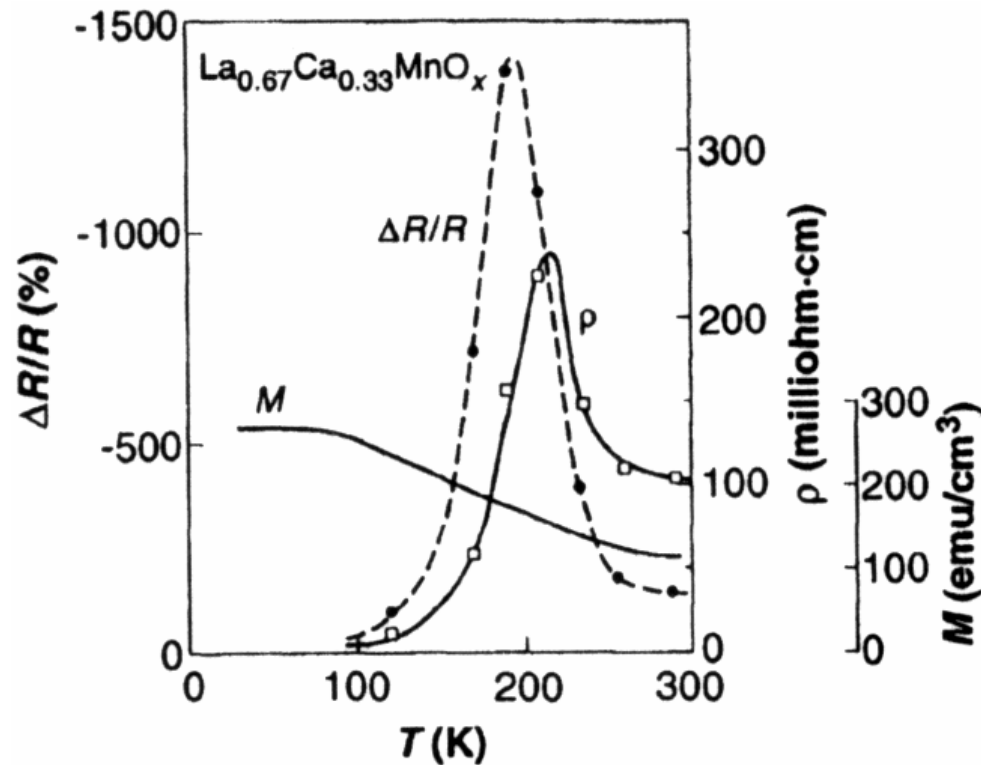
$$T_c = T_{c0} - A(n' - n_0)^2 \quad (\text{Liechtenstein, 1995})$$

BCS + $d_{x^2-y^2}$ symmetry

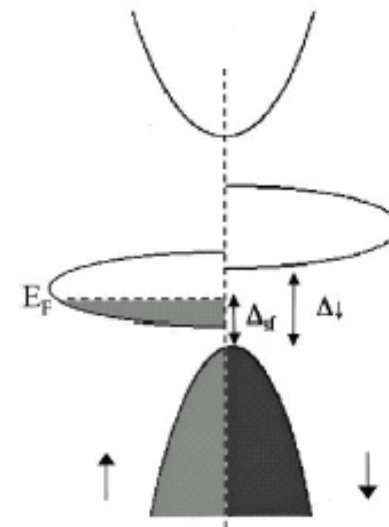
$$T_c = [n_H(P), V_{\text{eff}}(P)] \quad (\text{Chen et al., 2000})$$



Colossal magnetoresistance (CMR)



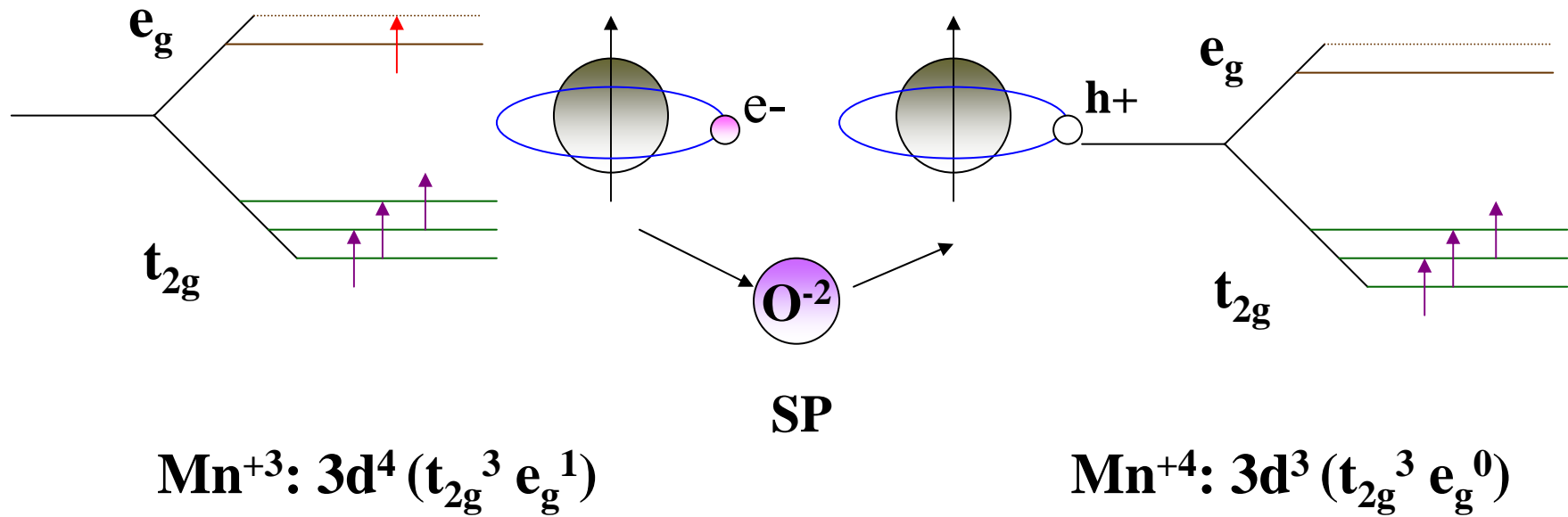
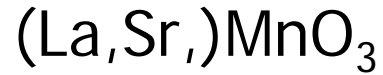
- 1) Very high magnetoresistance (-1500% at 200 K)
- 2) Polarization 100% (half metal)
- 3) Metal - Insulator (PM -FM) transition



S. Jin et al. Science 265 (1994)



Double exchange (1951, Zener)



Phase diagram of manganese oxide

Ryo Maezono, Surnio Ishihara, and Naoto Nagaosa

Department of Applied Physics, University of Tokyo, Bunkyo-ku, Tokyo 113, Japan

$$H = H_K + H_{Hund} + H_{on\ site} + H_S$$

$$H_K = \sum_{\sigma\gamma\gamma'(ij)} t_{ij}^{\gamma\gamma'} d_{i\sigma\gamma}^+ d_{j\sigma\gamma'} \quad (\text{Kinetic energy of } e_g \text{ electrons})$$

$$H_{Hund} = -J_H \sum_i \vec{S}_{t_{2g}i} \cdot \vec{S}_{e_gi} \quad (\text{Hund coupling between } e_g \text{ \& } t_{2g} \text{ spins})$$

$$H_{on\ site} = -\sum_i (\tilde{\beta} T_i^2 + \tilde{\alpha} S_{e_gi}^2) \quad (\text{Coulomb interaction between } e_g\text{-electrons})$$

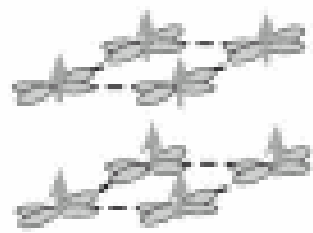
$$H_S = J_S \sum_{(ij)} \vec{S}_{t_{2g}i} \cdot \vec{S}_{t_{2g}j} \quad (\text{Super exchange } t_{2g} \text{ spins})$$

G



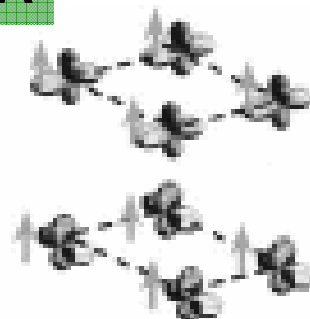
($x=0.0$) ; spin F

2D-F



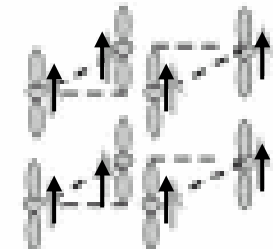
($x=0.3$) ; spin F

A

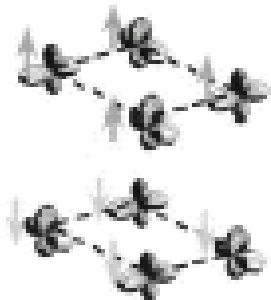


($0.3 < x < 0.8$) ; spin F

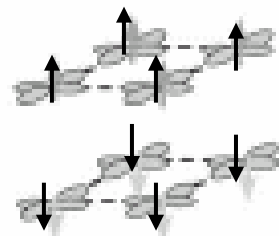
1D-F



($x=0.8$) ; spin F



($x=0.0$) ; spin A



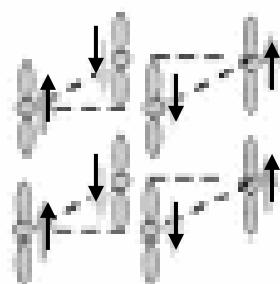
($0.1 < x < 0.45$) ; spin A



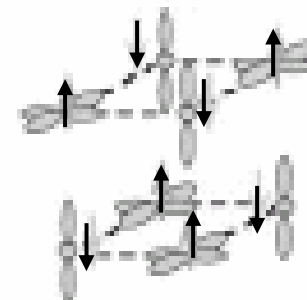
($0.45 < x < 0.75$) ; spin A



($x=0.0$) ; spin C



($x \neq 0.0$) ; spin C

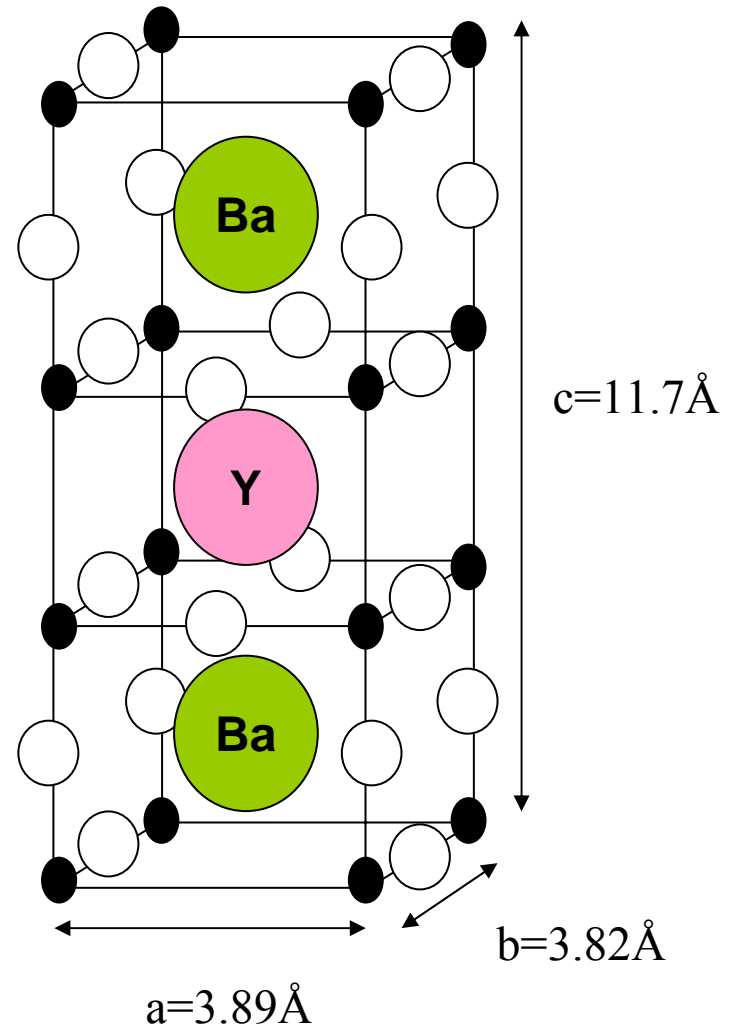
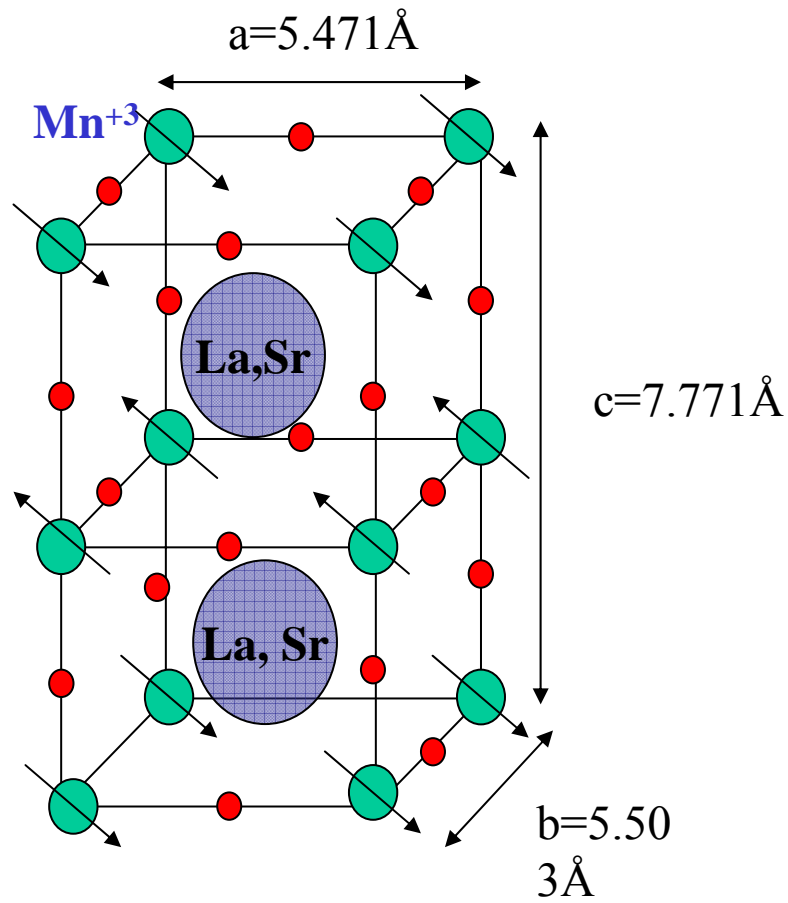


($x=0.0$) ; spin G



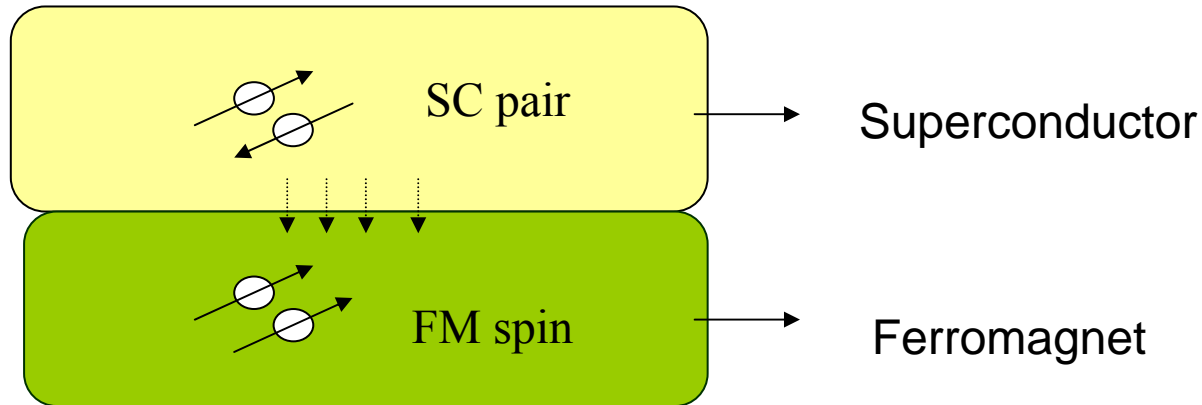
CMR effect toward to spintronic applications

Type	MR	Field	Temp.	Material
OMR	0.01%	~Tesla	RT	Cu,Al
AMR	2 %	10 Oe	RT	Fe,Co,Ni
GMR	5~10 %	2 Oe	RT	Fe/Cr
TMR	20 %	10 Oe	RT	Co/AlO/Co
CMR	10 (99.9)%	2 T	RT(200K)	La-Sr-Mn-O





Interesting physics in SC/FM



Boundary conditions →

- 1) Proximity effects
- 2) Magnetic vortex pinning
- 3) π -phase shift
- 4) Spin injection
- 5) Spin-accumulation
- 6) Andreev reflection

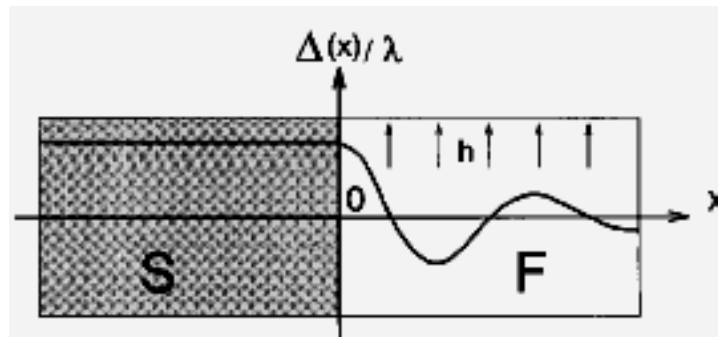


Proximity effect

1) Influence of magnetism on supercond.

Intermixing \Rightarrow effective exchange field

$$H_{\text{effect}} = H_{\text{ex}} [d_{\text{F}} / (d_{\text{S}} + d_{\text{F}})], \quad T_{\text{c}} \text{ oscillation}$$



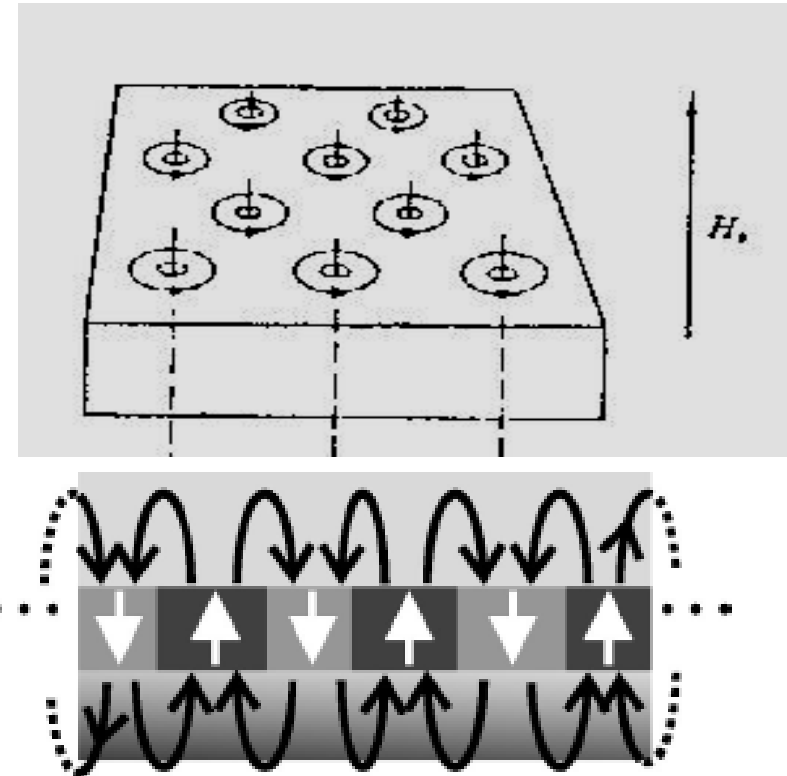
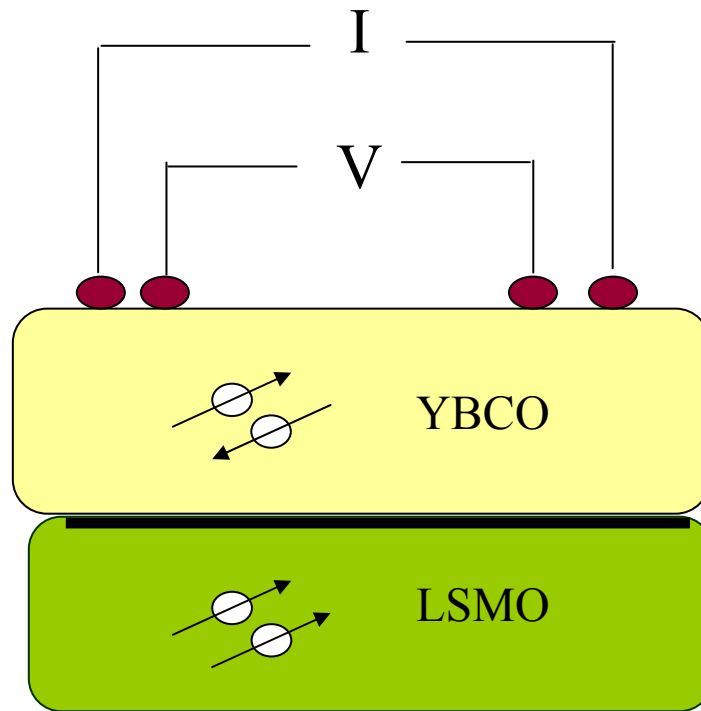
2) Influence of supercond. on magnetism

Intermixing \Rightarrow reconstruction of magnetic order

$$T_{\text{curie}} \text{ oscillation}$$



Vortex pinning by domain wall



Attractive force by opposite directional magnetic-lines

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Experimental set-up (I)



RF sputter system
(Millton CVT, 13.6 MHz)
Base pressure 10^{-8} torr
four guns
Substrate temp. $1000\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$



LSMO Target Making



Step 1 Pre-heating La_2O_3 : 900°C / 3 h .

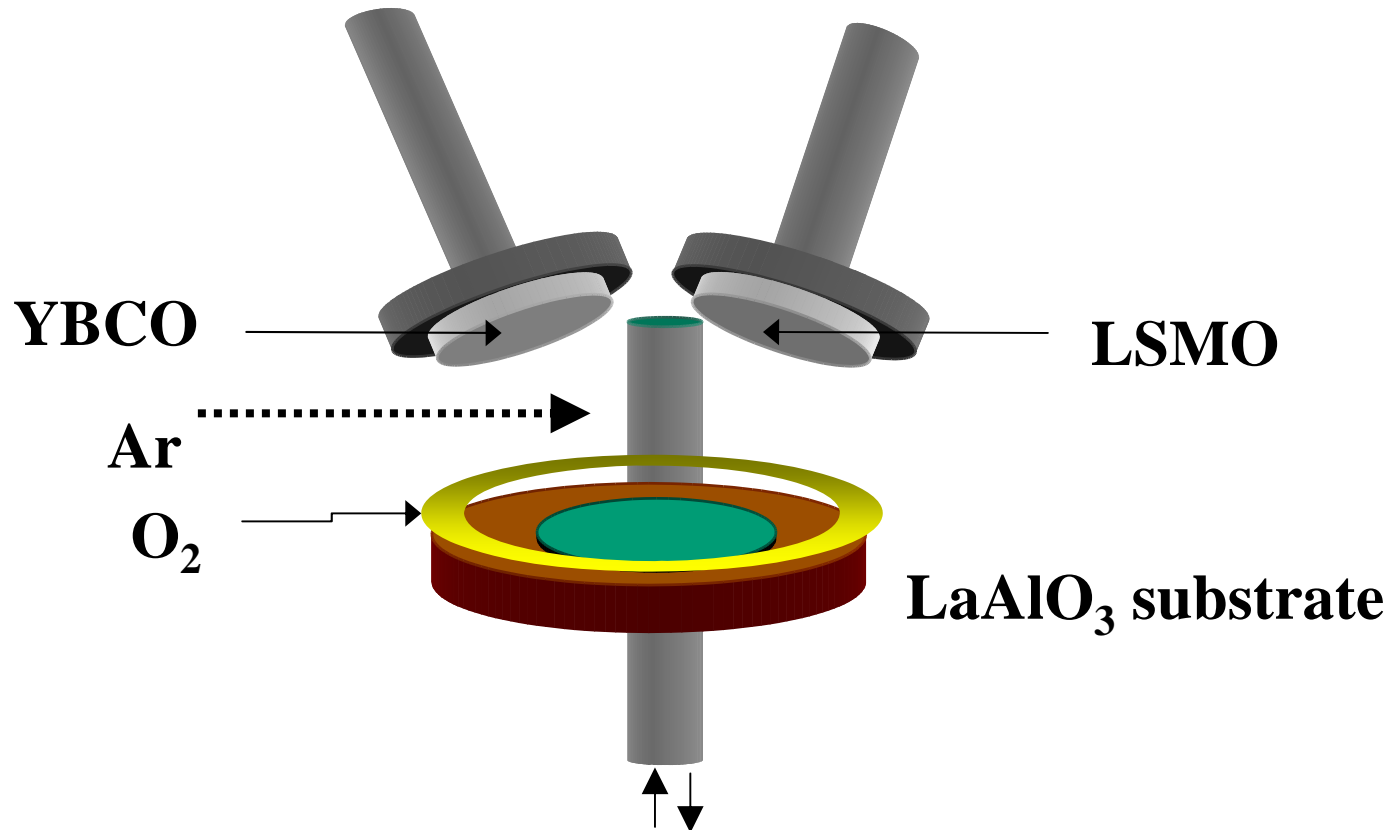
Step 2 Mix La_2O_3 , SrCO_3 , MnCO_3

Step 3 Reaction: 1200°C / 24 h

Step 4 Pellet :d = 5 cm, Thick =1 cm, 3 tons/ cm^{-2}

Step 5 Anneal: 1400°C /16 h

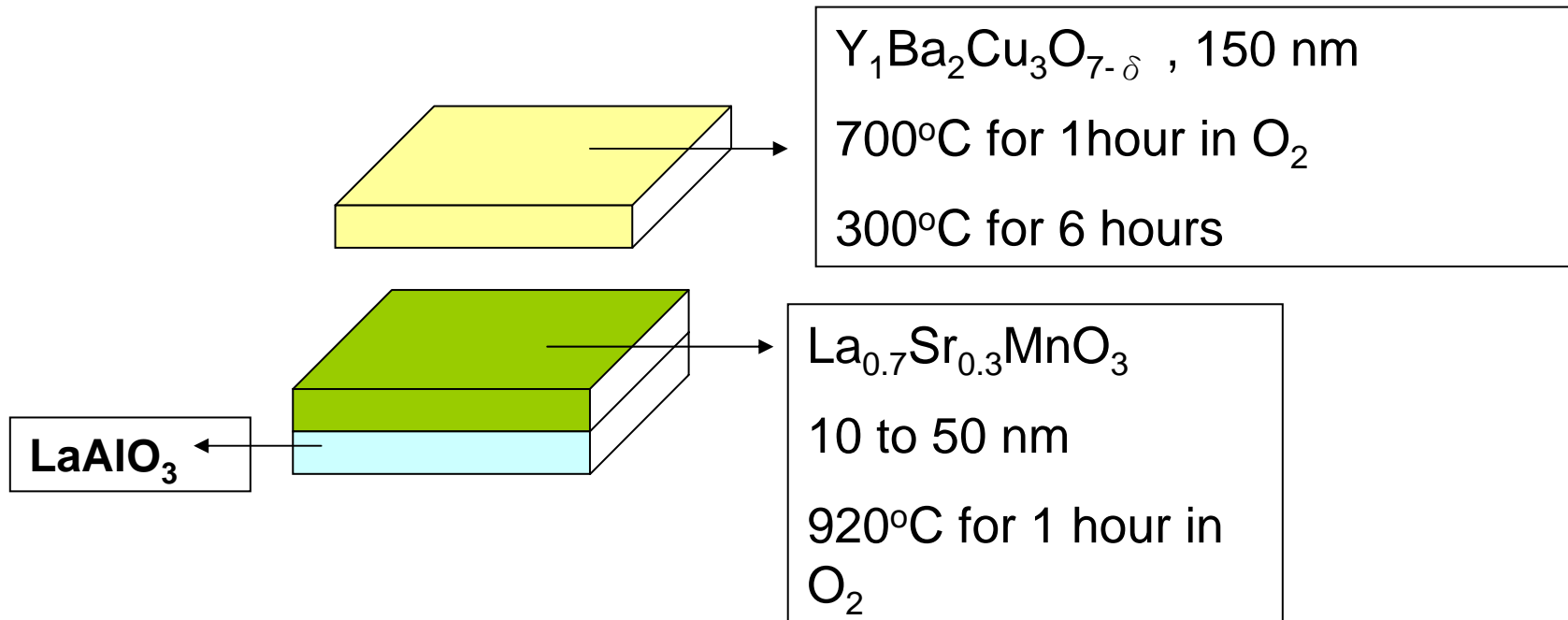
Film making



Reactive co-sputtering process

• Substrate ⇒	Si (100) , LaAlO ₃ (100)
• Target ⇒	YBCO, LSMO
• RF power ⇒	80 Watt
• Base pressure ⇒	3×10^{-7} torr
• Mixed gas ⇒	Ar:O ₂ =98:2
• Sputtering pressure	70 mtorr
• Base temperature ⇒	Room temperature
• pre-sputtering ⇒	3 minutes
• Working distance ⇒	10 cm
• Annealing tempert.	800 – 920 °C (700 °C)
• Annealing time ⇒	1 hrs

Post-annealing conditions



Experimental set-up (I)



- **X-Ray Powder Diffractometer**

(Japan MAC Science, model MXP18)

- **AFM** (Solver P47)



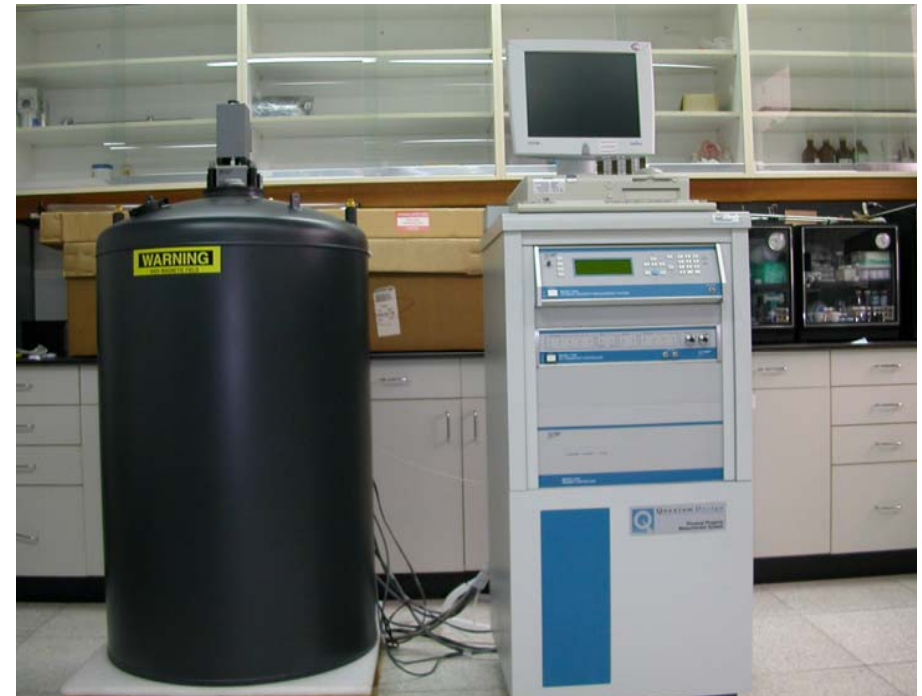
- **Physical Property Measur. System**

(Quantum design)

7 Tesla, 1.4 – 400 K

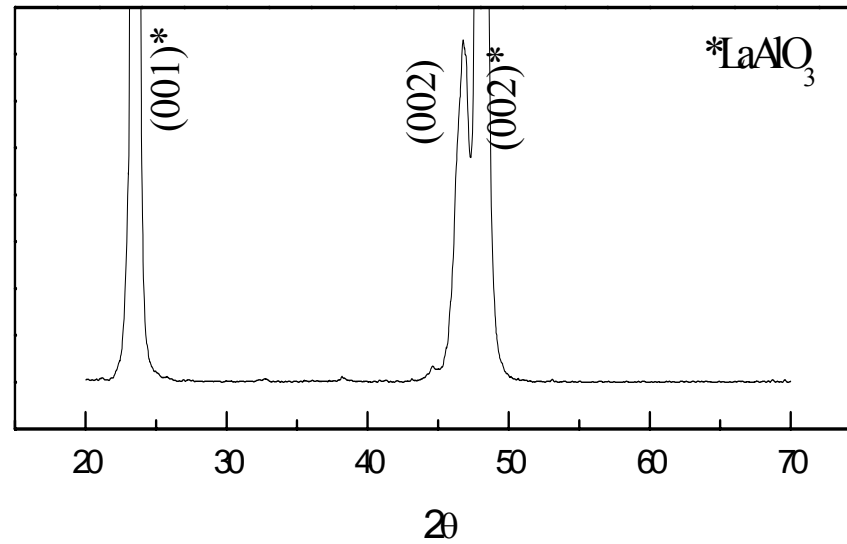
Resistivity, I-V curve

AC/DC susceptibility



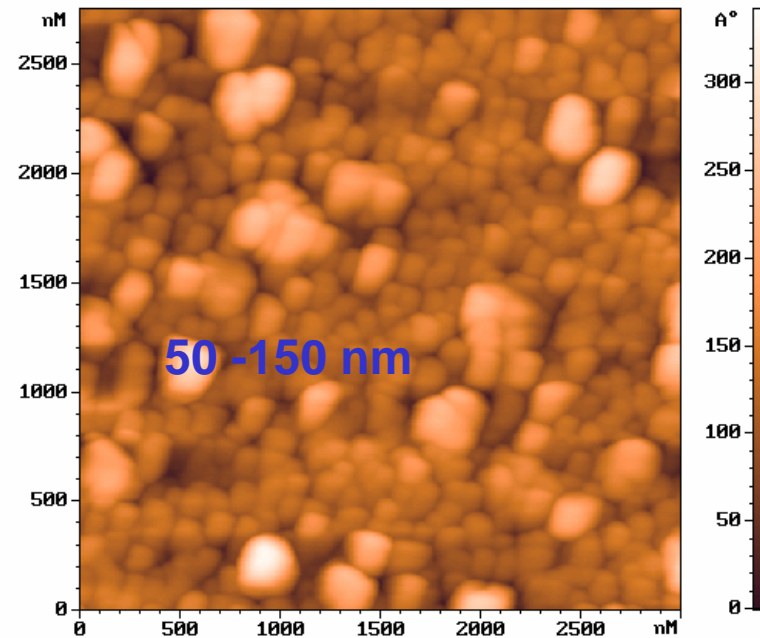
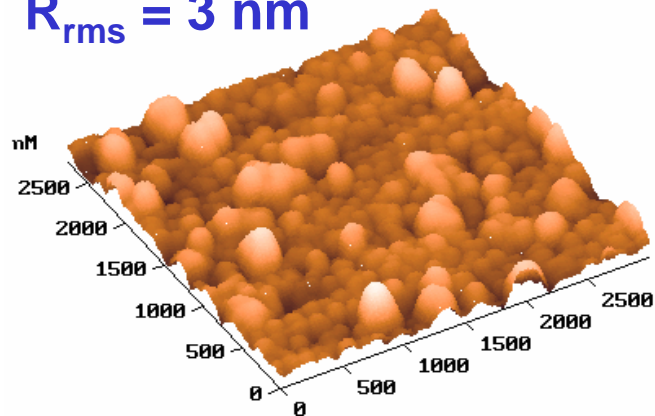
Structures of LSMO layer

XRD – orthorhombic
c-oriented



AFM - granular

$R_{rms} = 3 \text{ nm}$

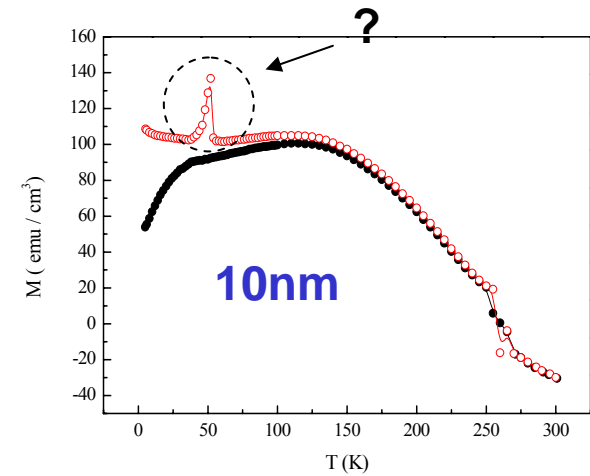
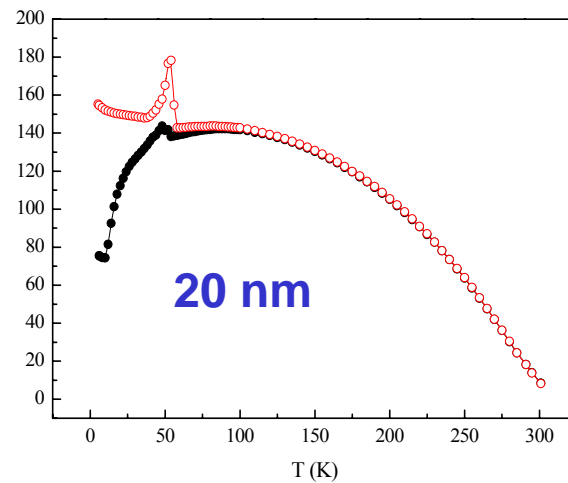
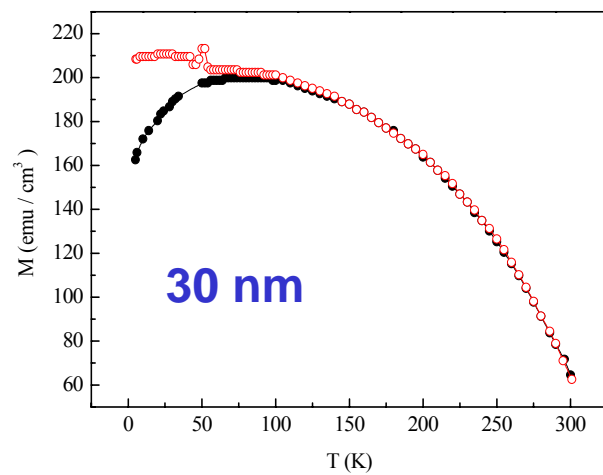
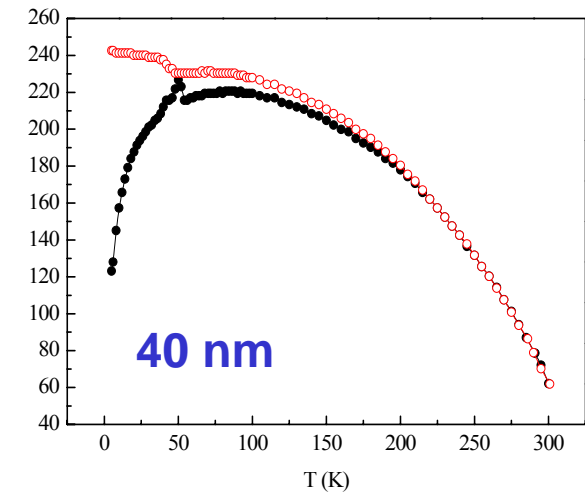
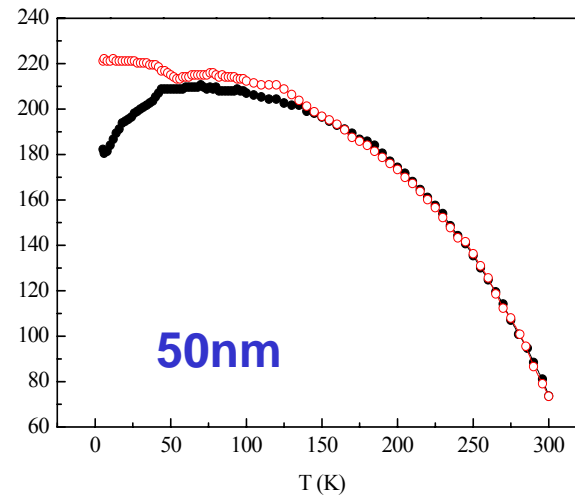
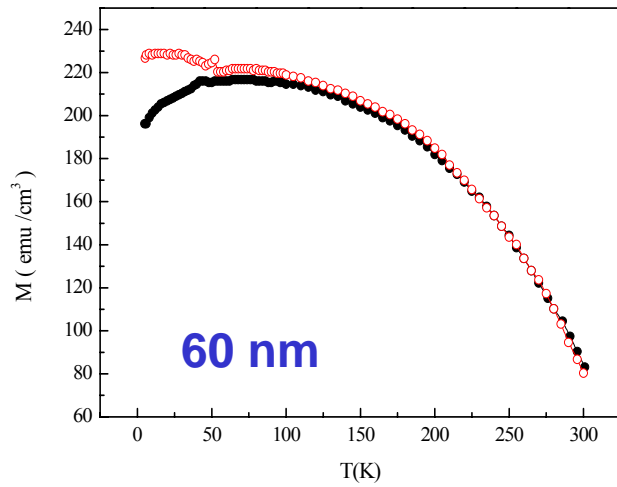




Magnetization for LSMO

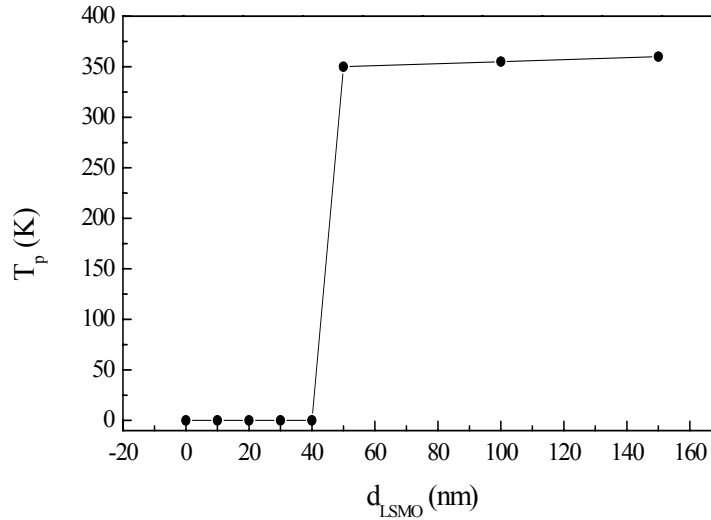
H = 500 Gauss

ZFC(black line); FC (red line)

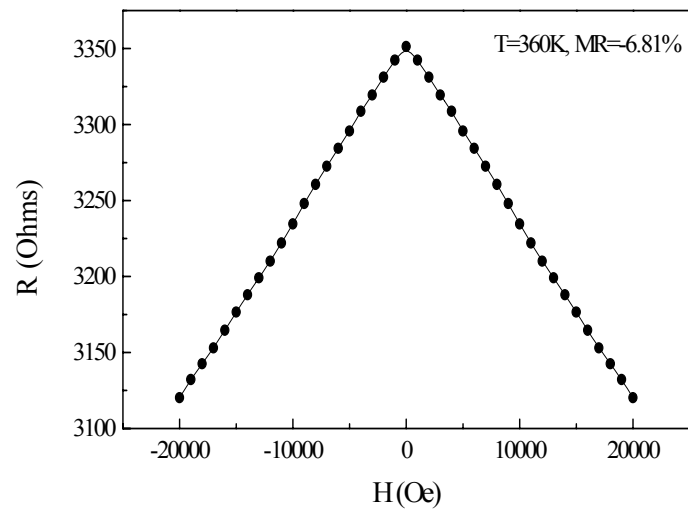




La_{0.7}Sr_{0.3}MnO₃ (LSMO)

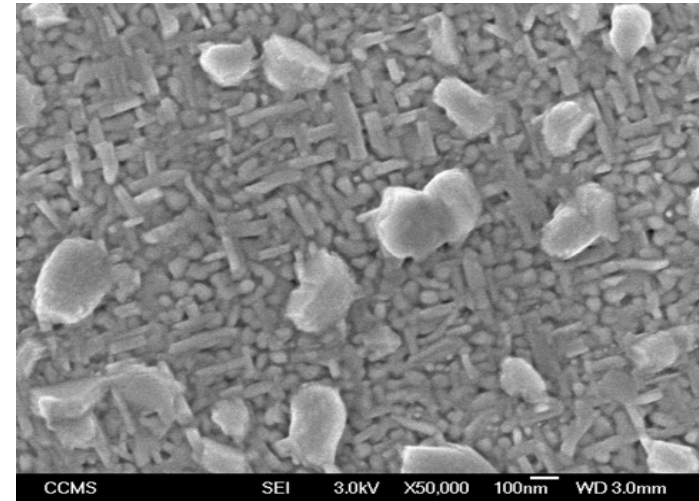
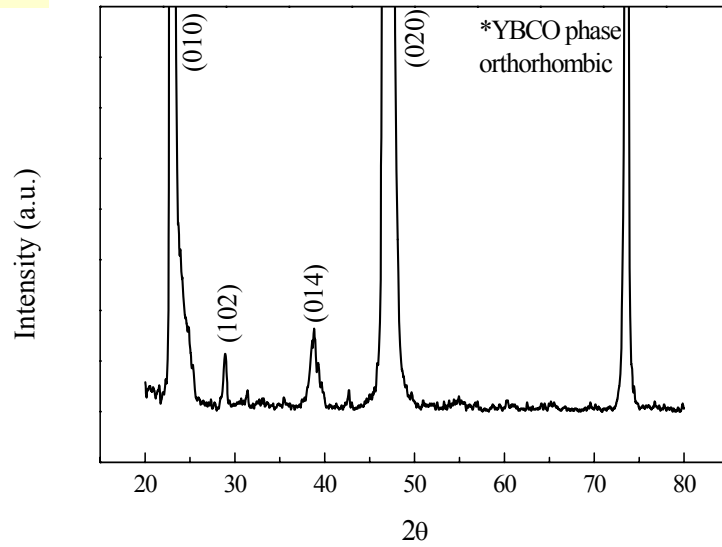


- For $t_{\text{LSMO}} < 50$ nm
Ferromagnetic insulator
- For $t_{\text{LSMO}} \geq 50$ nm
 $T_{\text{M-I}} = 360$ K
Ferromagnetic metal
MR = -6.81%
(at room temperature)

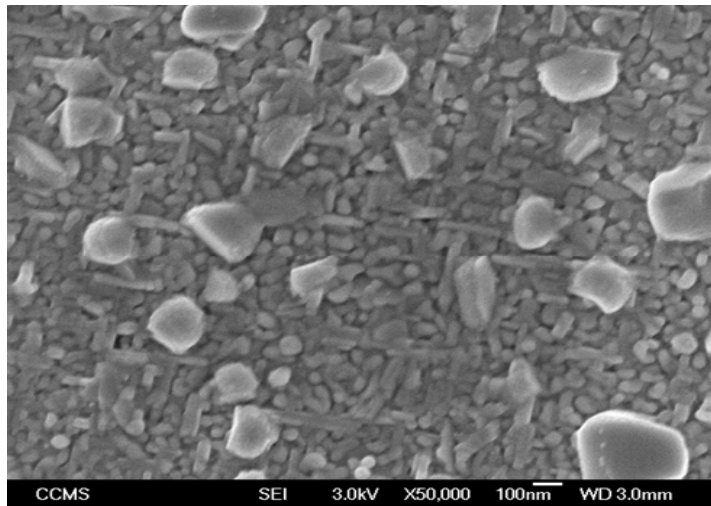




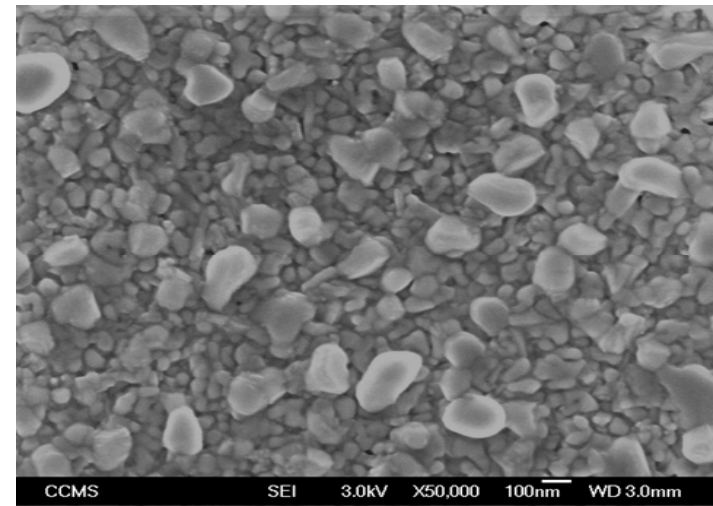
Morphology of YBCO/LSMO (t)



Pure YBCO



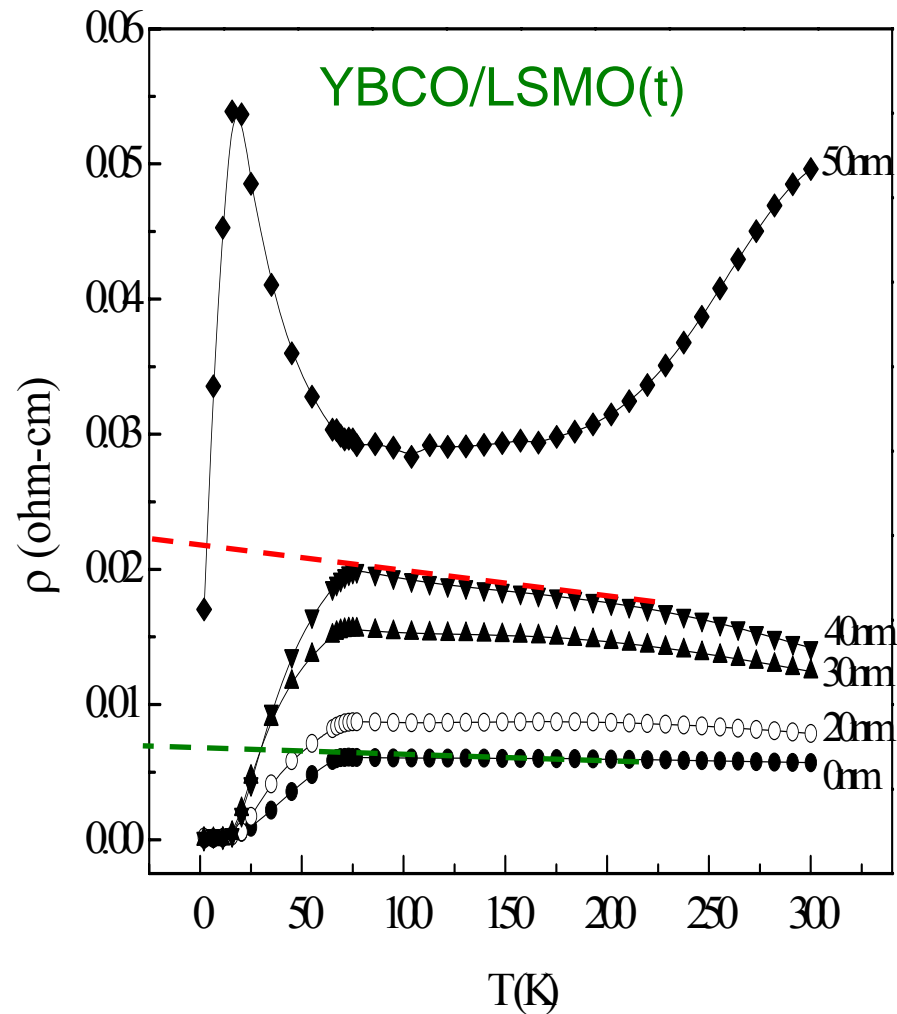
Y/L(30nm)



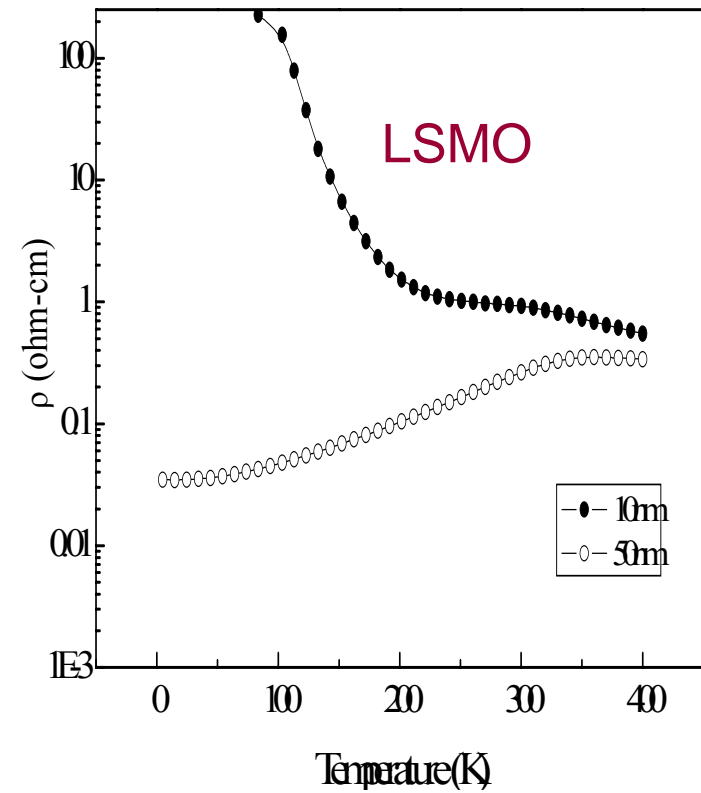
Y/L(50nm)



Resistivity for YBCO(150nm)/LSMO(t)



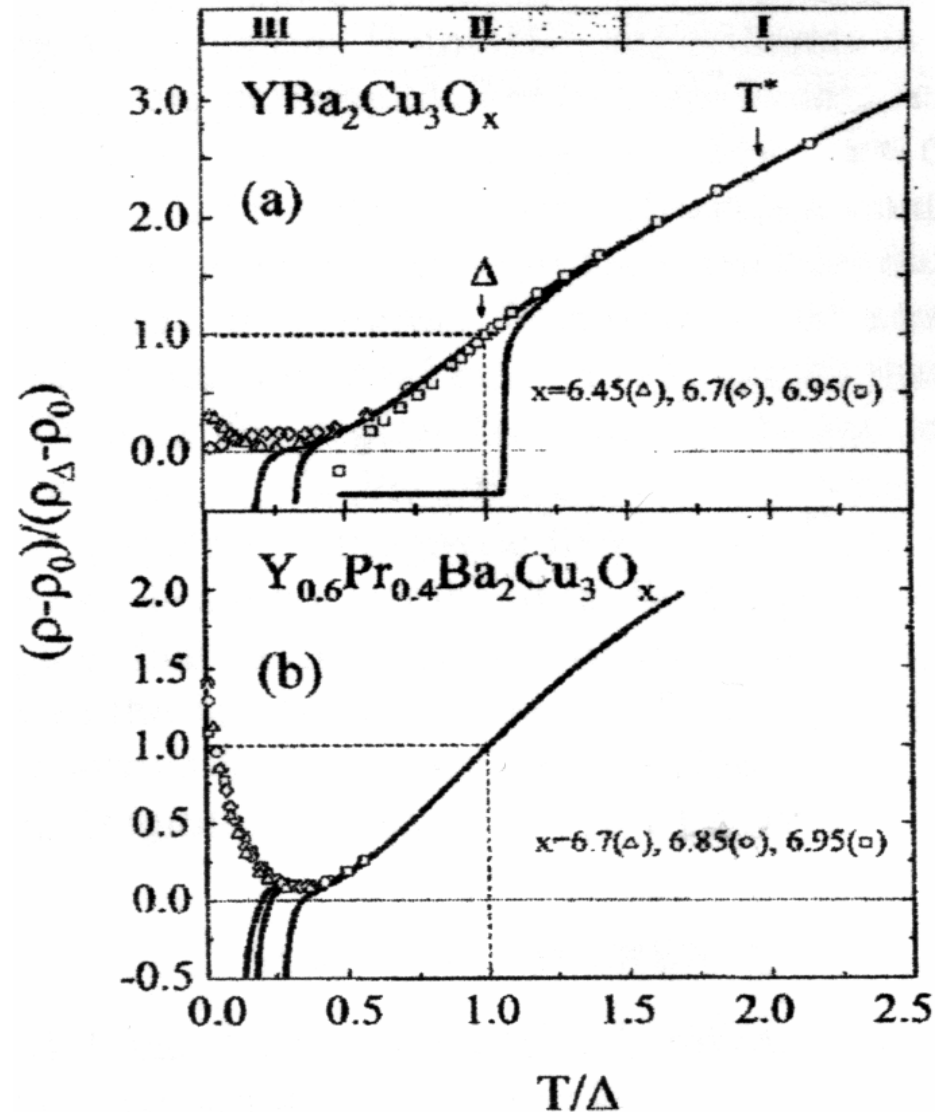
LSMO(50nm)- FM Metal
LSMO(10nm)- FM Insulator



Ground state of high- T_c superconductor is an insulator ?



Solid lines:
without field
Open symbols:
at 50 tesla

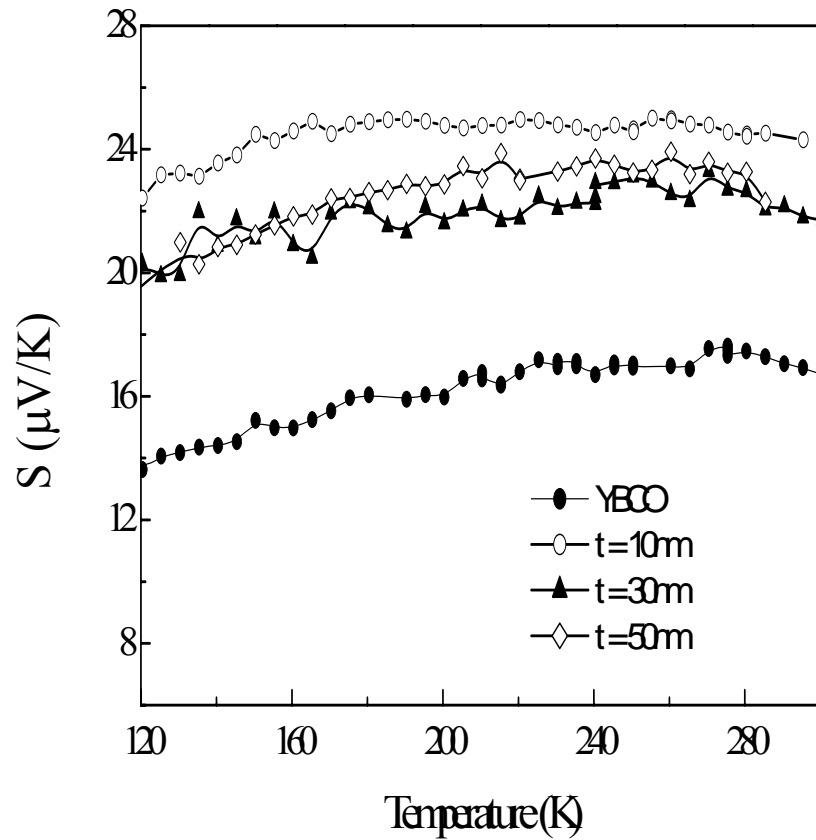


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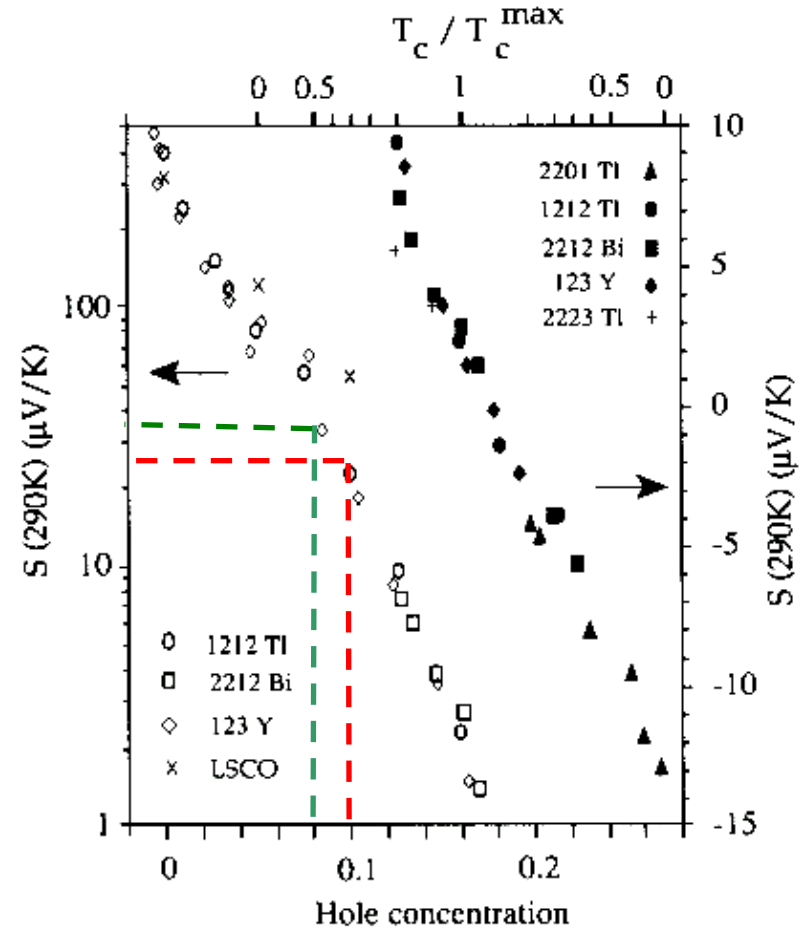


Thermoelectric power

Our data



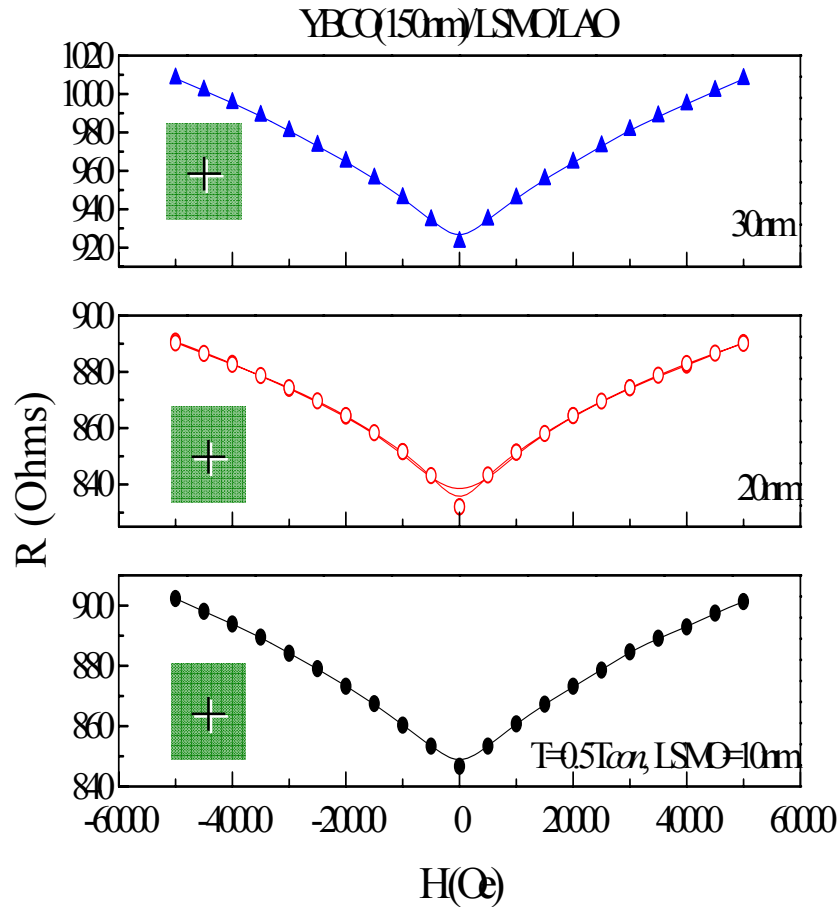
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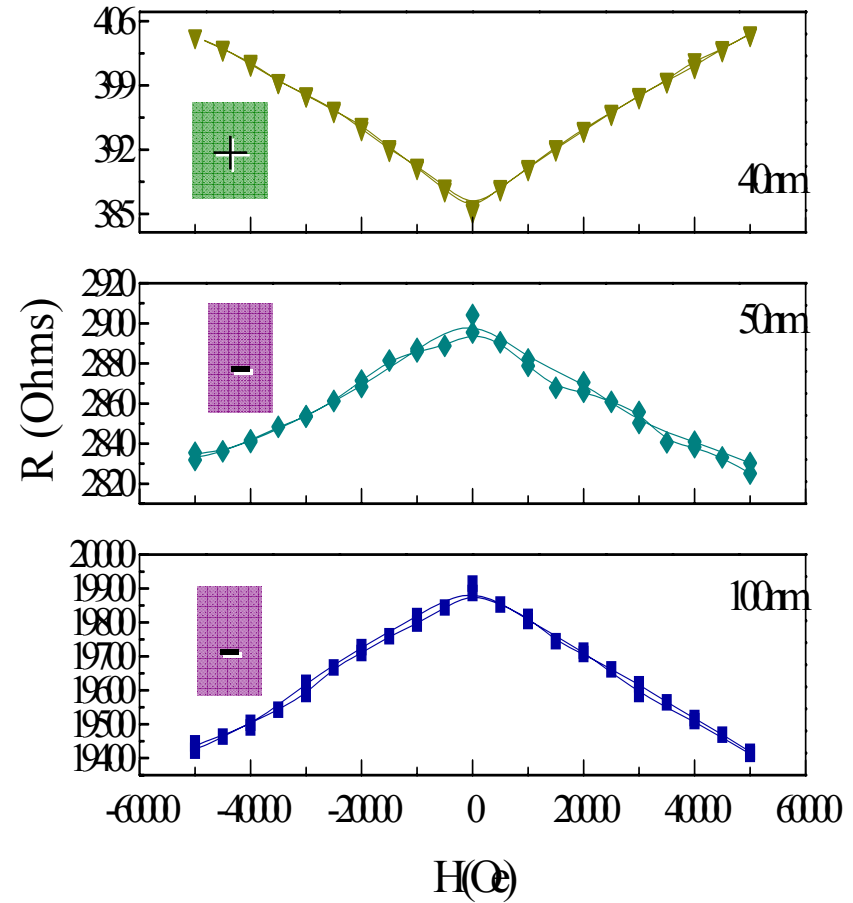
$0.09 < n[\text{Y}/\text{L}(10\text{-}50 \text{ nm})] < 0.1$ (YBCO)



R-H curves at mixed state (50K) for Y/L(t) bilayers

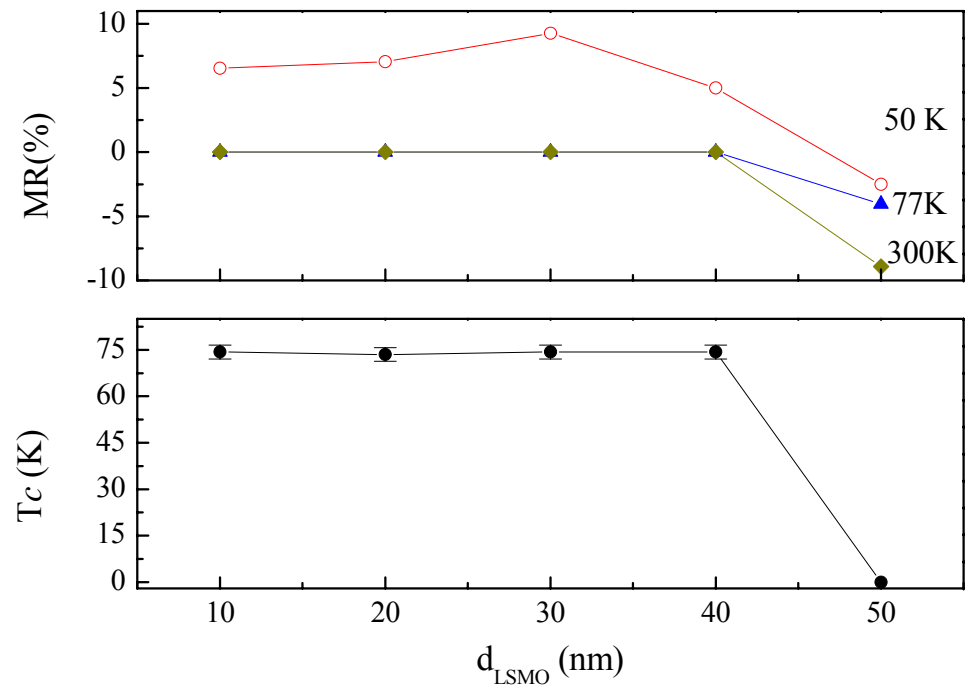


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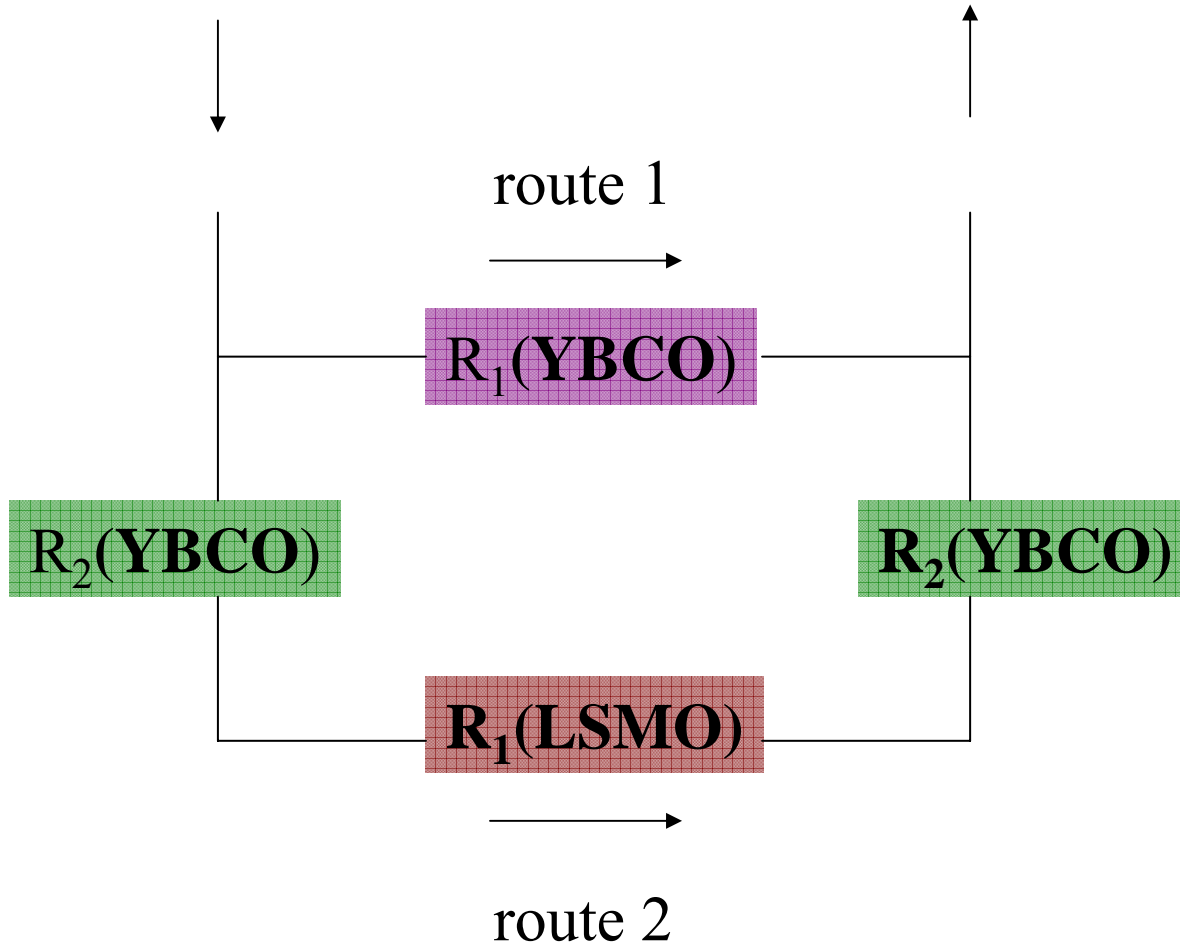
(b)

Summary of MR in YBCO/LSMO(t) bilayers



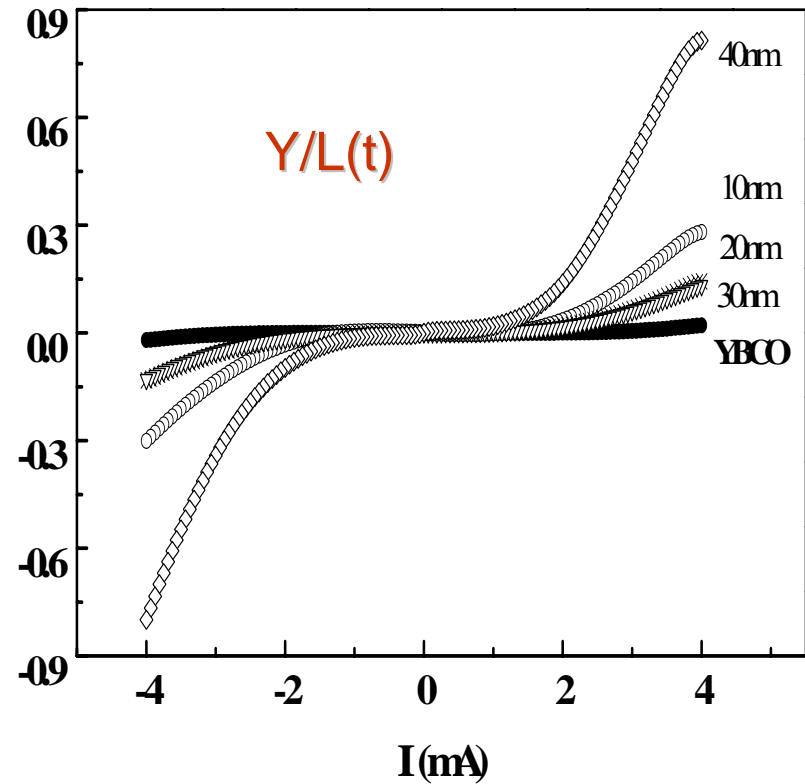
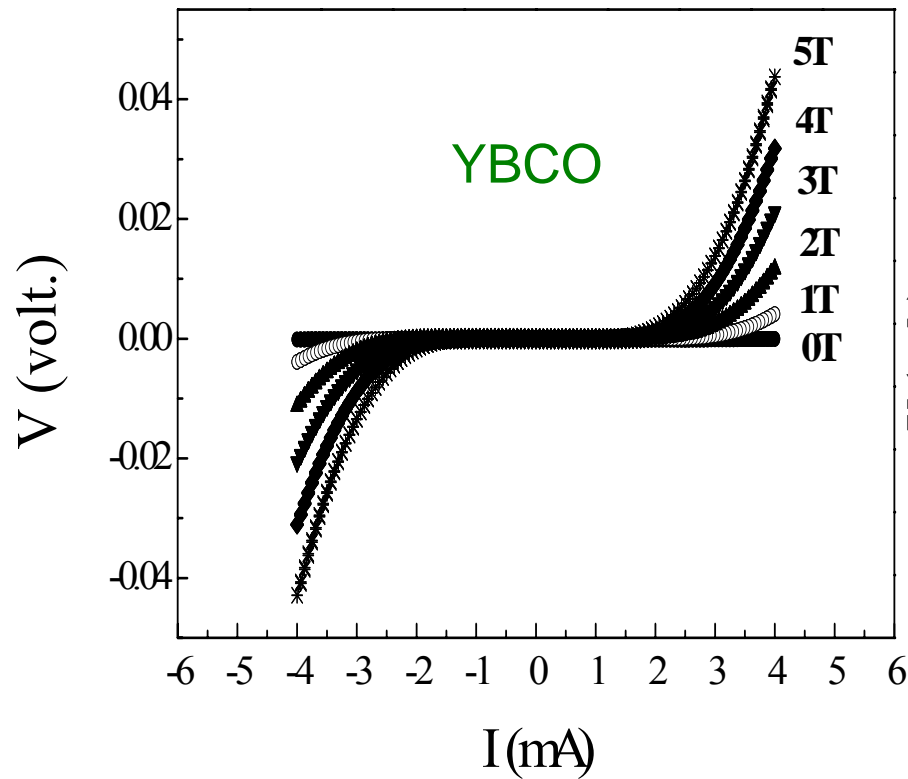


Proposed effective circuit





I- V Characteristic (2 K)



I_c is defined as the current value where $V = 1 \mu\text{volt}$.

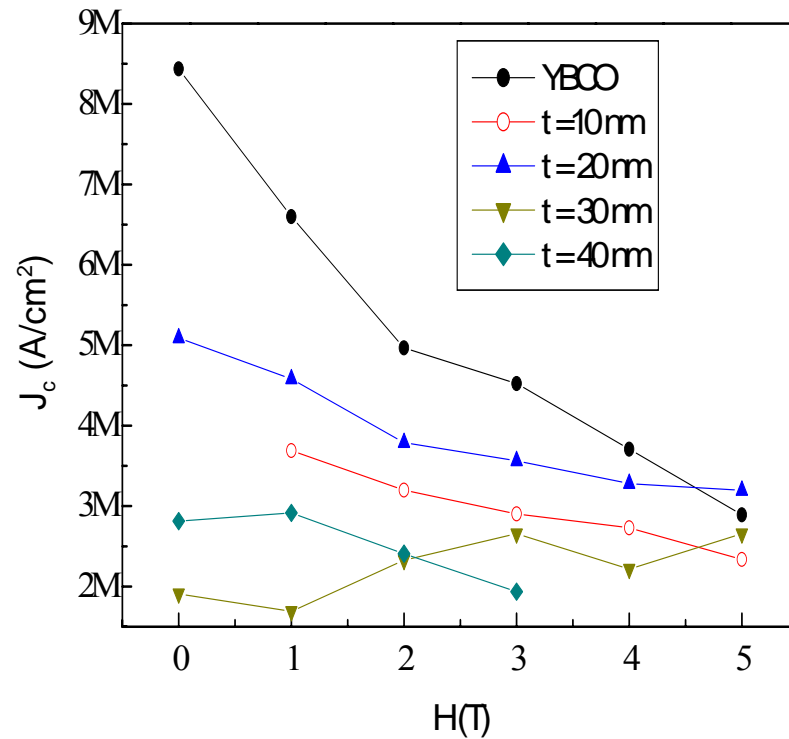


Magnetic dependent critical current density

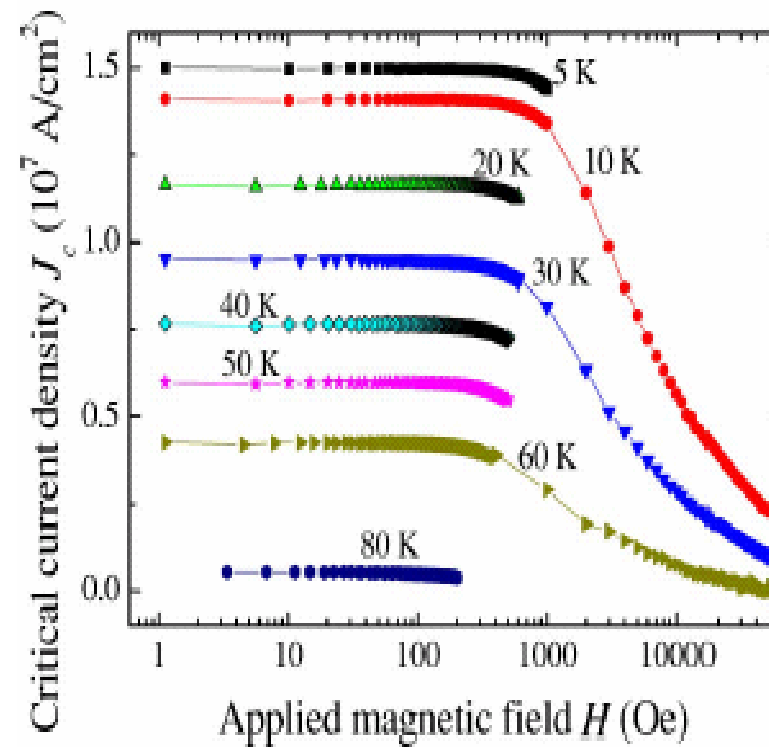
$$J_c = I_c / \text{cross-section}$$

$$\text{Bean: } \alpha = B j_c$$

$$\text{K-A: } \alpha = j_c (B + B_0)$$

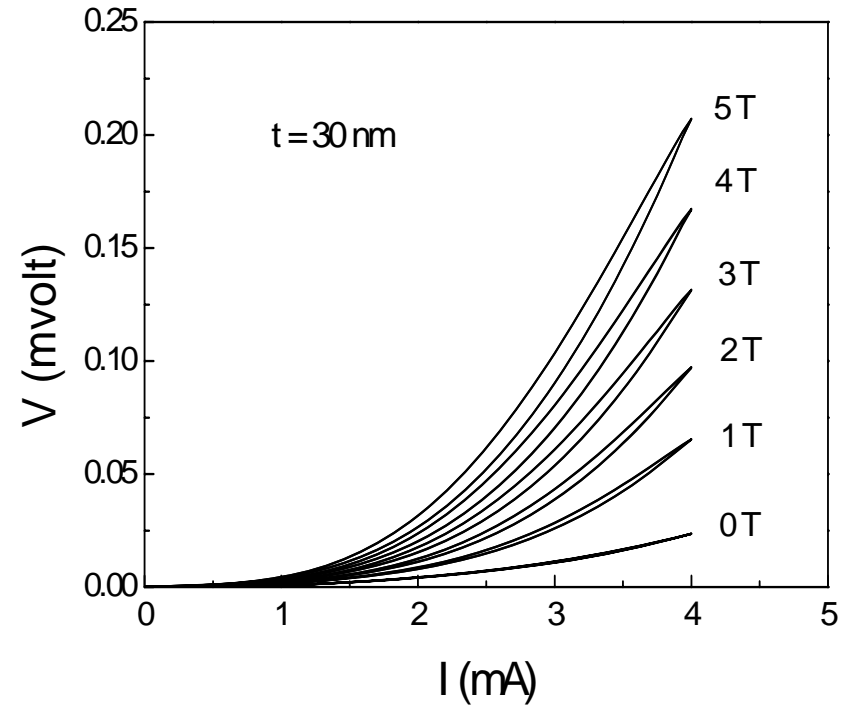
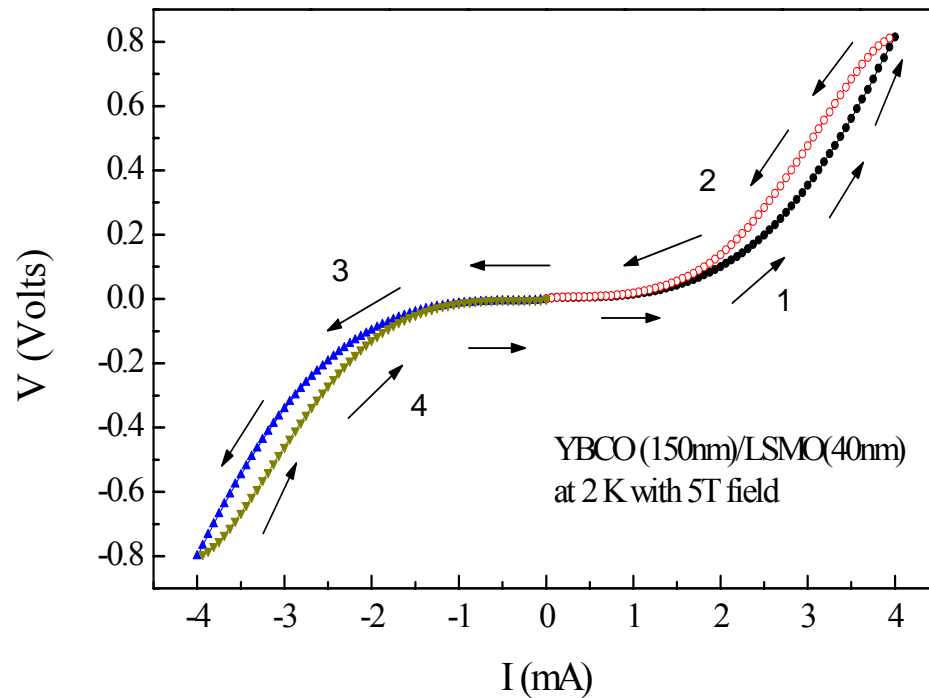


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Hysteresis in $V-I$ Characteristic



- Observing anti-clockwise hysteresis in YBCO/LSMO bilayers

Flux-flow fingerprint of disorder: Melting versus tearing of a flux-line lattice

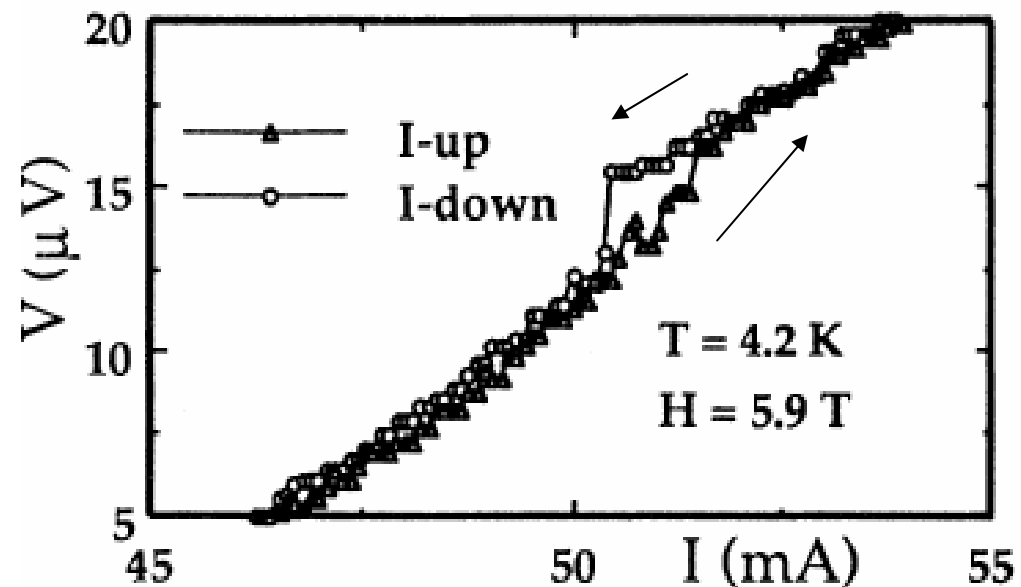
S. Bhattacharya and Mark J. Higgins

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1. Fingerprint of dynamics generated disorder via interaction between flux-line lattice & pinning centers.
2. A “tearing” of a soft lattice in a narrow regime of (H, T) .
3. A first order depinning transition.

2H – NbSe₂ single crystal
($T_c = 7.1$ K, $H_{c2} \sim 2.3$ T)



Equilibration and Dynamic Phase Transitions of a Driven Vortex Lattice

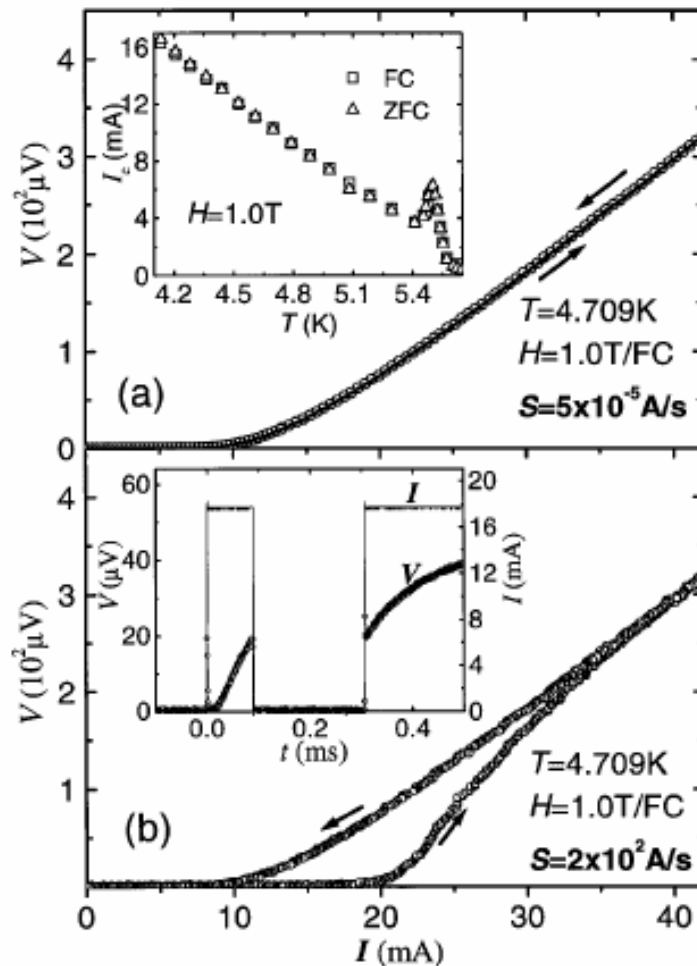
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$2H-NbSe_2$ at 4.7 K , 1 Tesla
 $T_c = 7.1\text{ K}$, $H_{c2} \sim 2.3\text{ T}$

Only fast rate I -sweep produces
 Hysteresis ($S = 2 \times 10^2\text{ A/s}$)

When I increases, the flux-line lattice transits
 from a metastable to a stable state,
 followed by a dynamic crystallization
 transition at high currents.

History effect in inhomogeneous superconductors

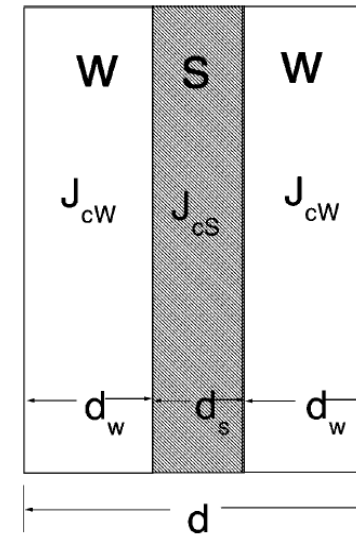
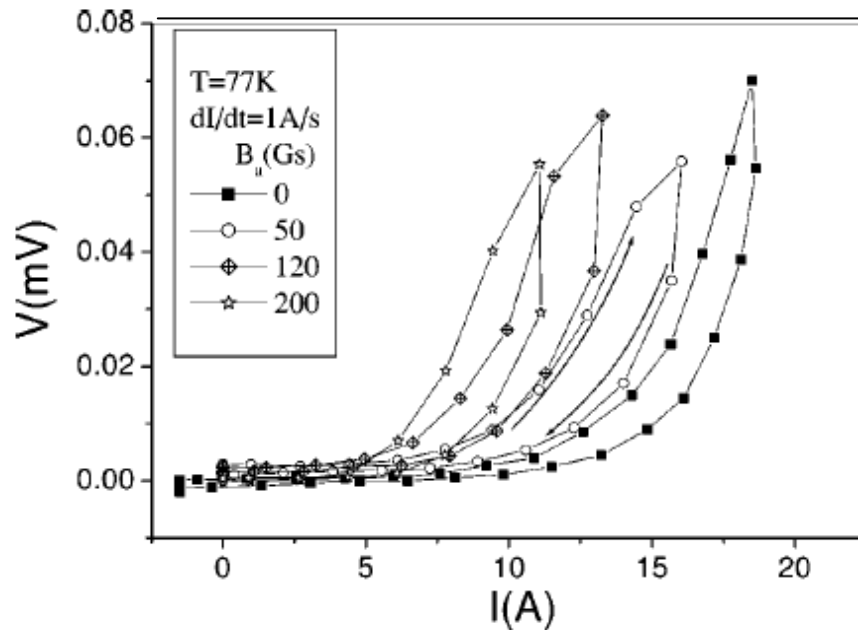
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1. Ag-Bi2223 tape at 77 K; fast sweep
2. Considering flux creep and inhomogeneous Flux pinning;
3. Clockwise hysteresis.





Conclusion

- ♣ *Suppression of T_c in YBCO/LSMO(t) bilayer is observed at $t = 50$ nm, which should be originate from intrinsic **proximity effect**.*
- ♣ *Reversal of the sign of MR ratio in 50-nm YBCO/LSMO bilayer indicates the competition between superconductivity and ferromagnetism.*
- ♣ *We have observed **magnetic pinning** effect and **hysteresis** in V - I curves of YBCO/LSMO bilayers.*