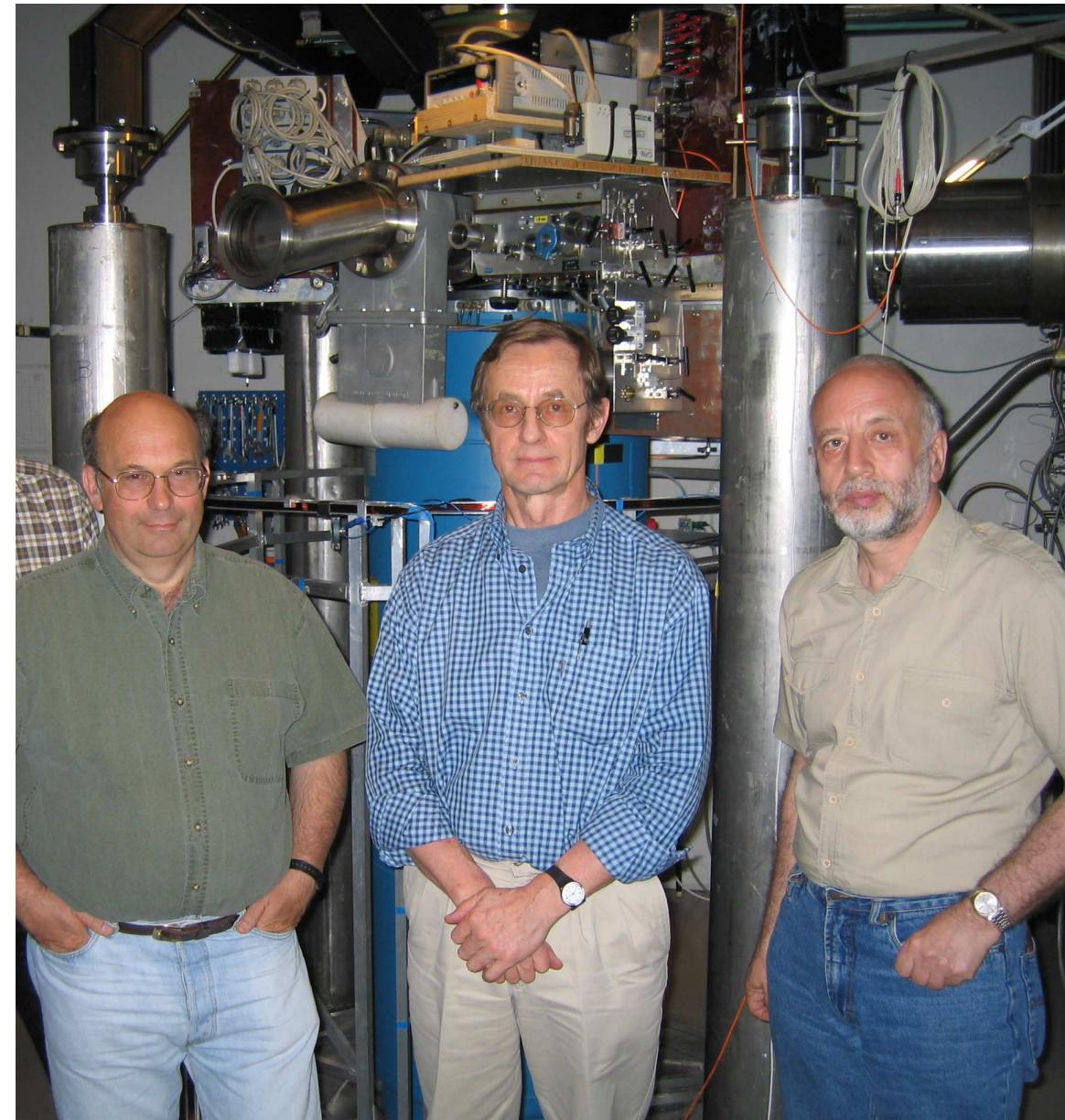


KOPNIN AND ROTATING SUPERFLUID ^3He



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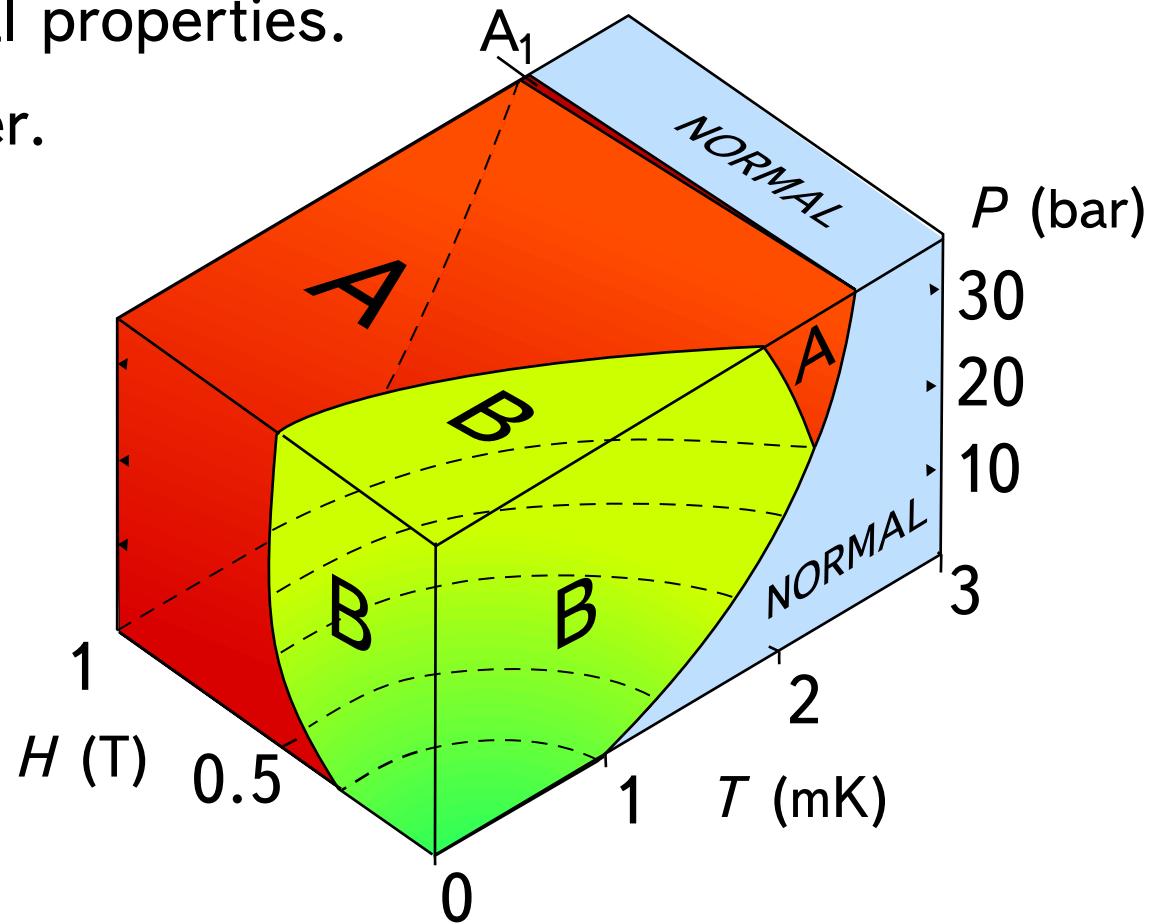
1. Introduction: Superfluid ^3He , rotation and NMR.
2. Historical:
 - Defect formation in non-equilibrium second-order phase transition.
 - Dynamic response of anisotropic superfluid: Vortex sheets.
3. Superfluid dynamics at low temperatures: Transition to turbulence and decoupling.
4. Probing vortex-core- and surface-bound fermion zero modes with magnon BEC.

SUPERFLUID ^3He

Fermi system with pairing in $L = 1$, $S = 1$ state.

Non-trivial topological properties.

3×3 order parameter.



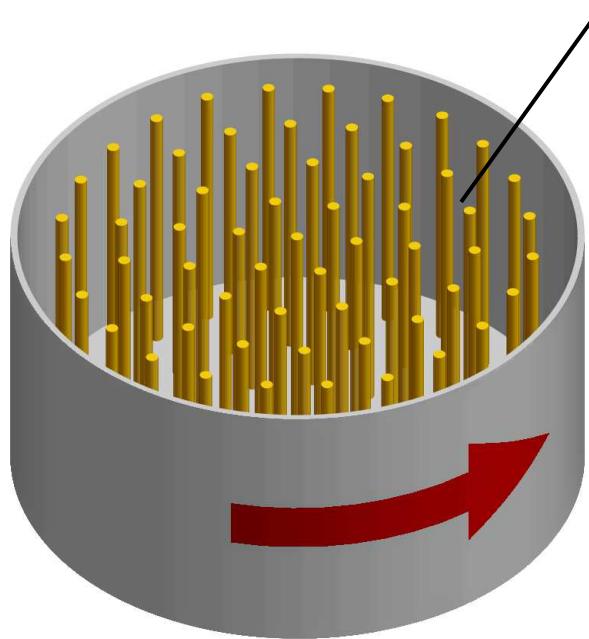
- Multiple superfluid phases: A and B in bulk (and A_1 in magnetic field) and others in the cores of topological defects and in restricted geometry.
- Topological defects of various dimensionality and structure.

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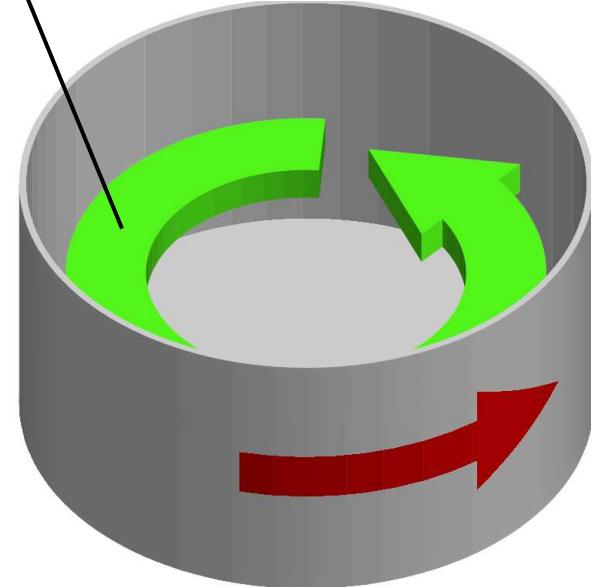
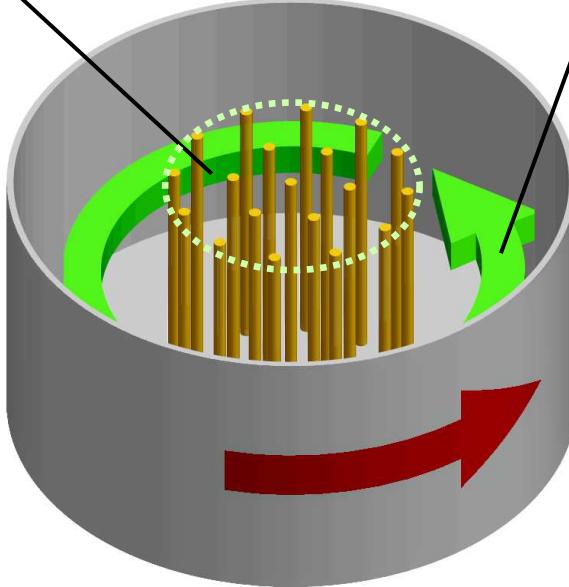
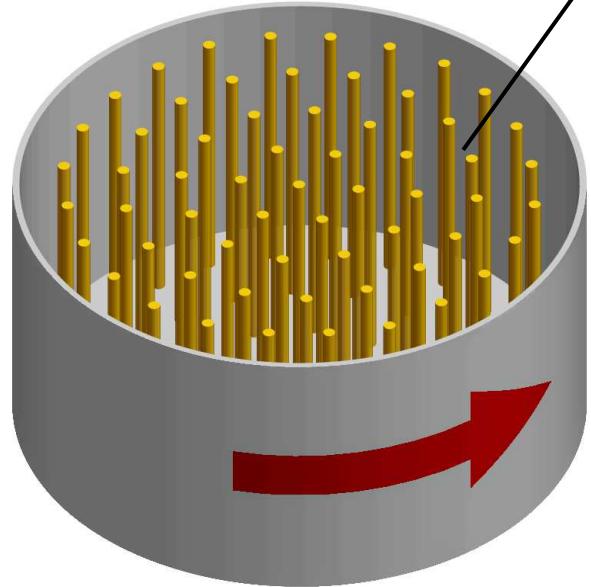
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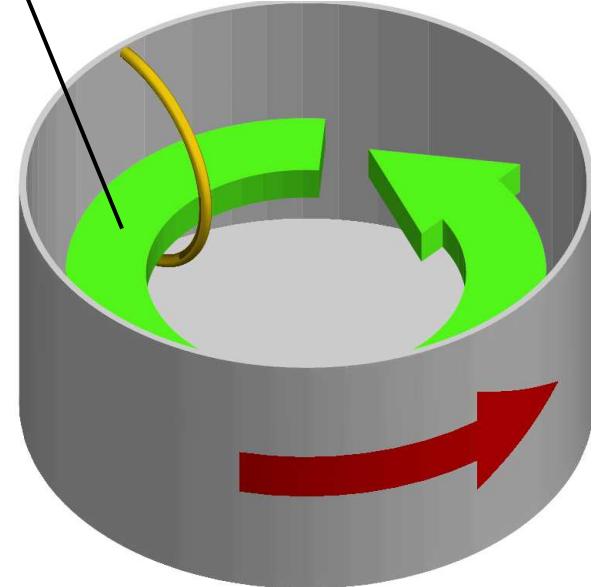
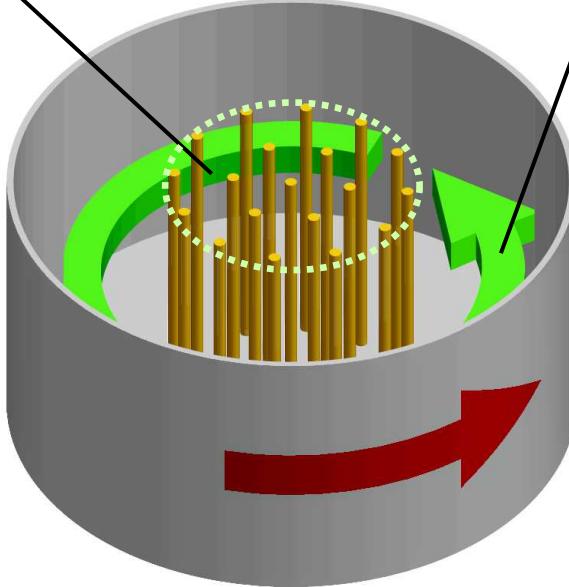
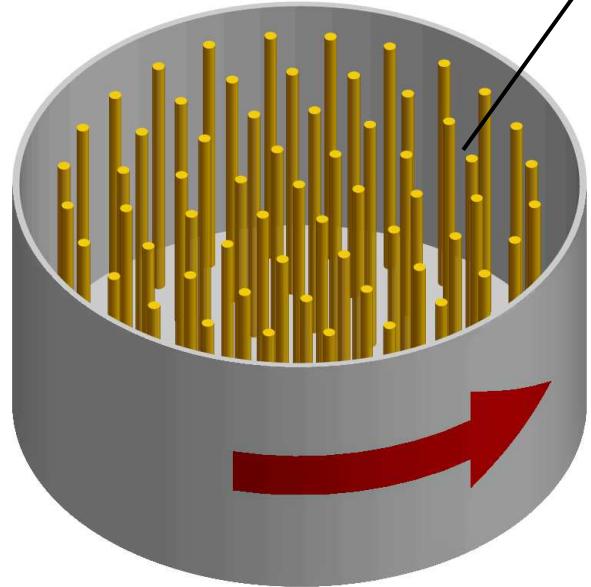
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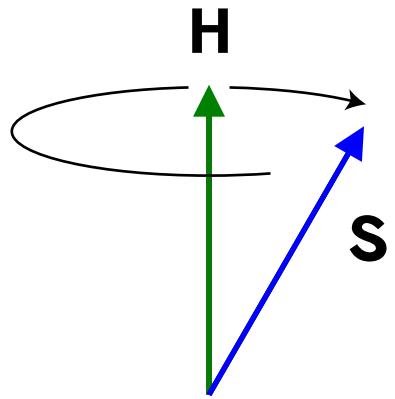
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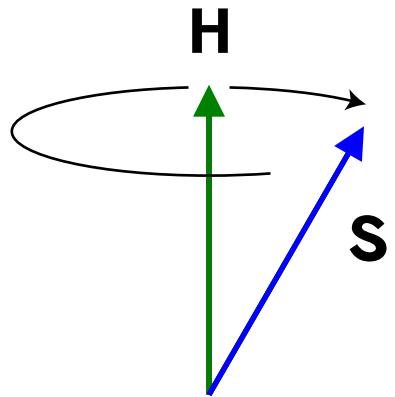


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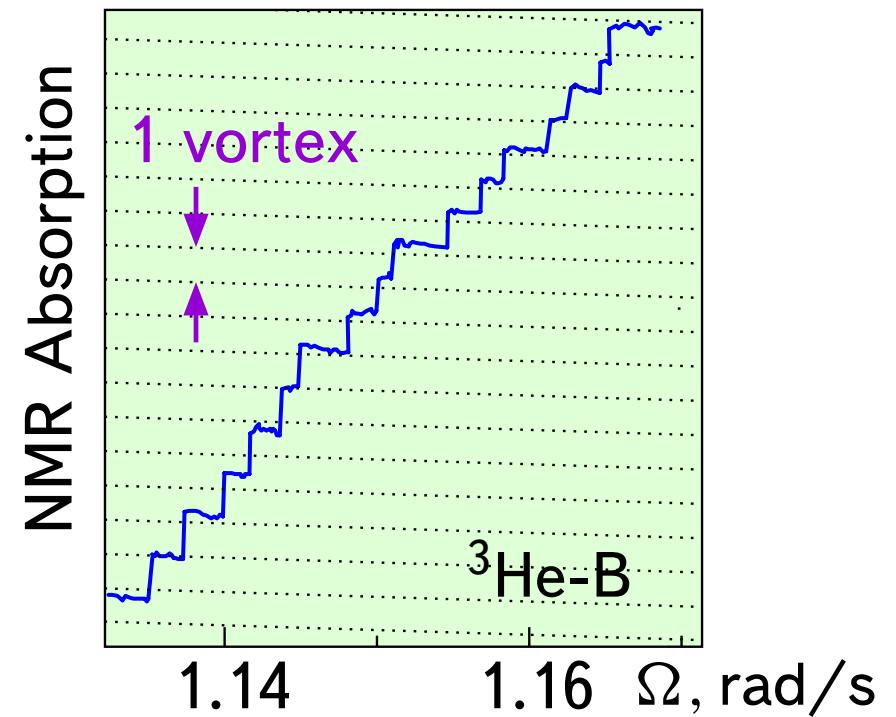
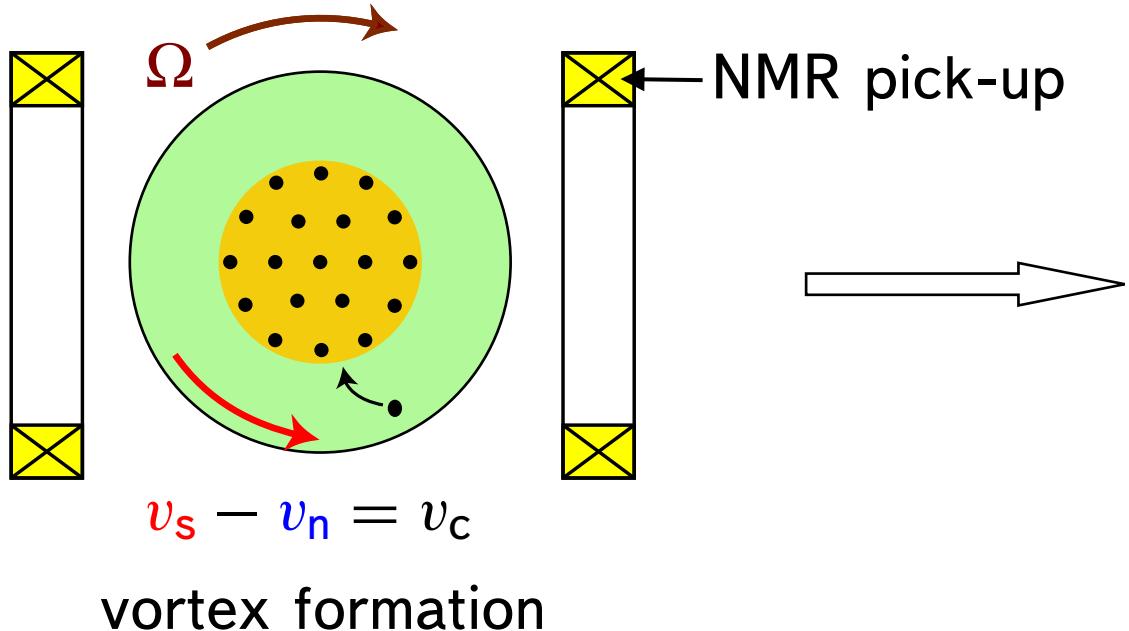


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ROTATING SUBMILLIKELVIN CRYOSTAT

First rotating nuclear demagnetization cryostat built within Finnish-Soviet collaboration ROTA (operational 1981).

Upgraded in the last decade: Lowest temperature of superfluid ^3He in rotation.

Rotation velocity: up to 3.5 rad/s.

Heat leak to the sample: below 20 pW in rotation.

Temperature of ^3He : below 140 μK .

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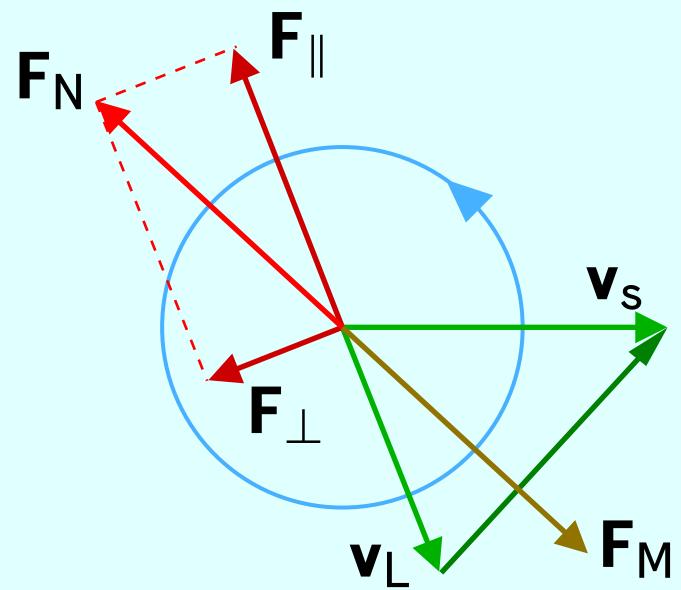
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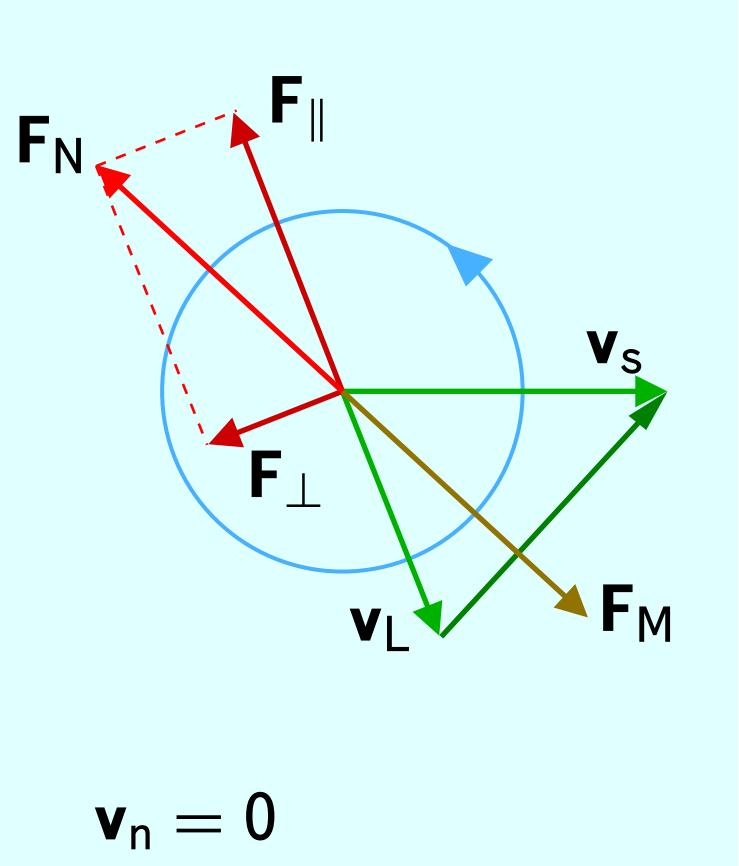
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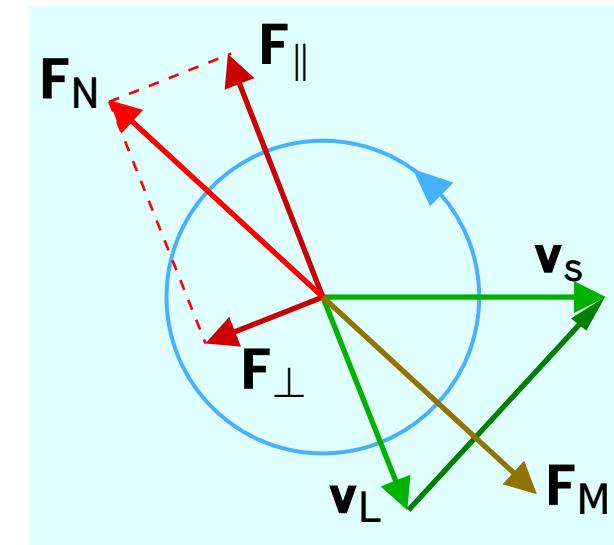
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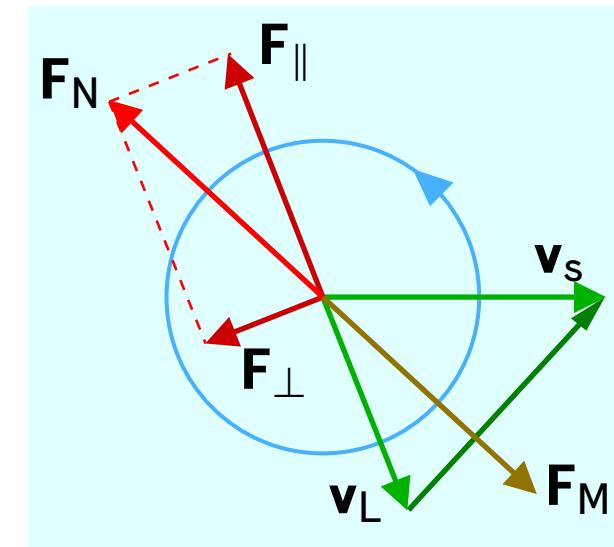
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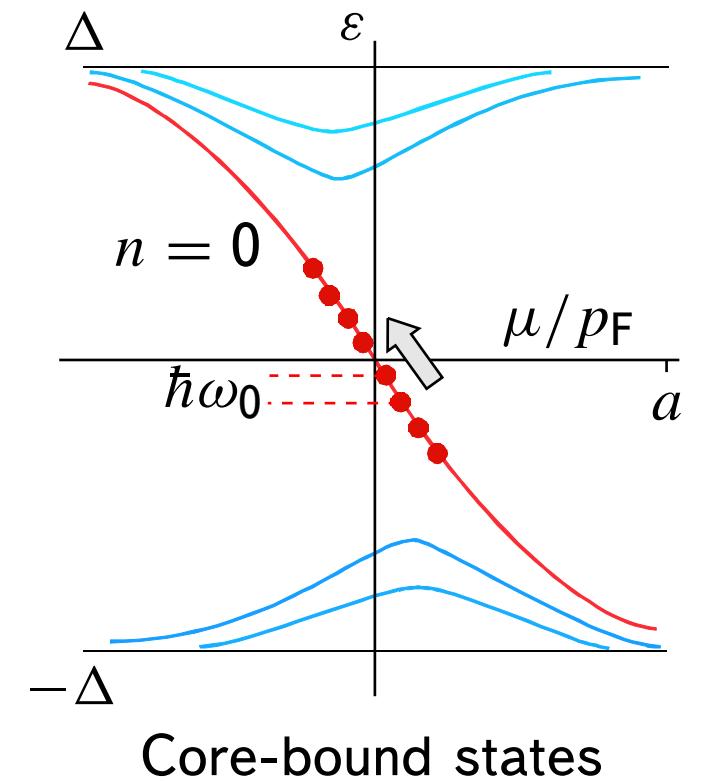
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$(\boldsymbol{\omega} = \langle \nabla \times \mathbf{v}_s \rangle \text{ and } \mathbf{v}_n = 0)$

$$\text{Inertial} \sim (1 - \alpha') \frac{U\omega}{R}, \quad \text{viscous} \sim \alpha \frac{U\omega}{R} \Rightarrow \text{Re}_\alpha = \frac{\text{inertial}}{\text{viscous}} = \frac{1 - \alpha'}{\alpha}$$

(Volovik 2003)

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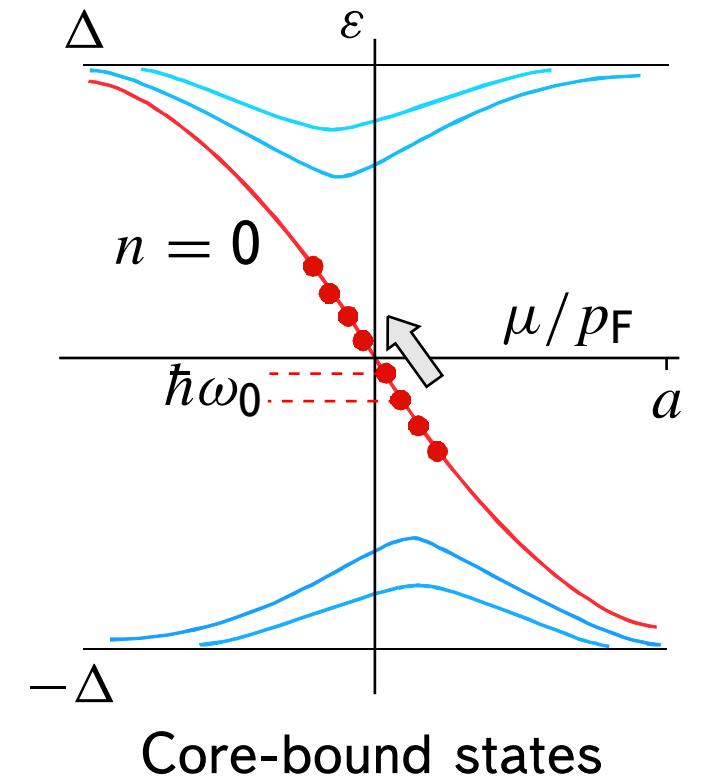
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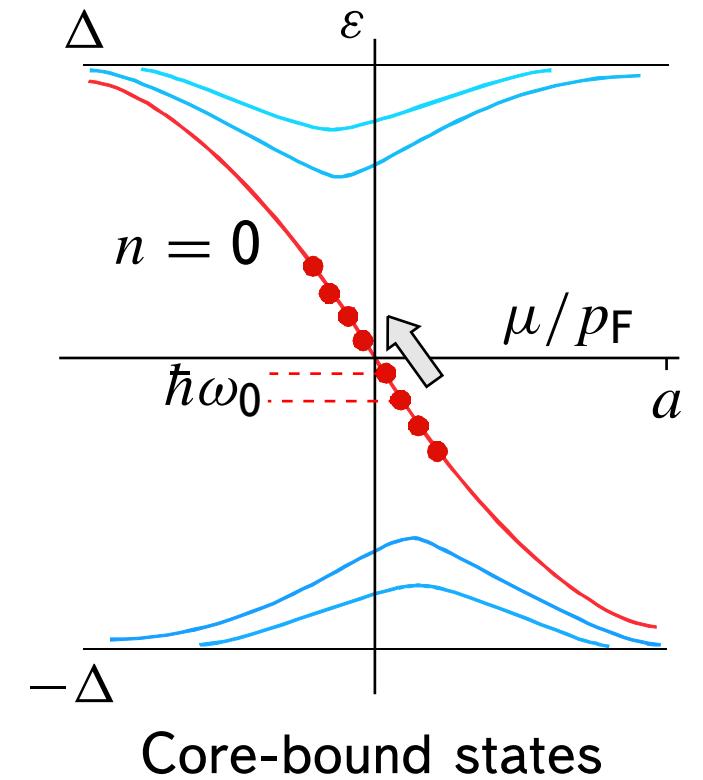
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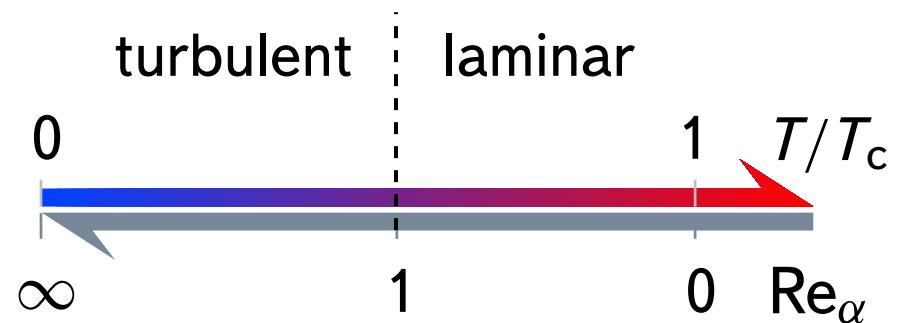
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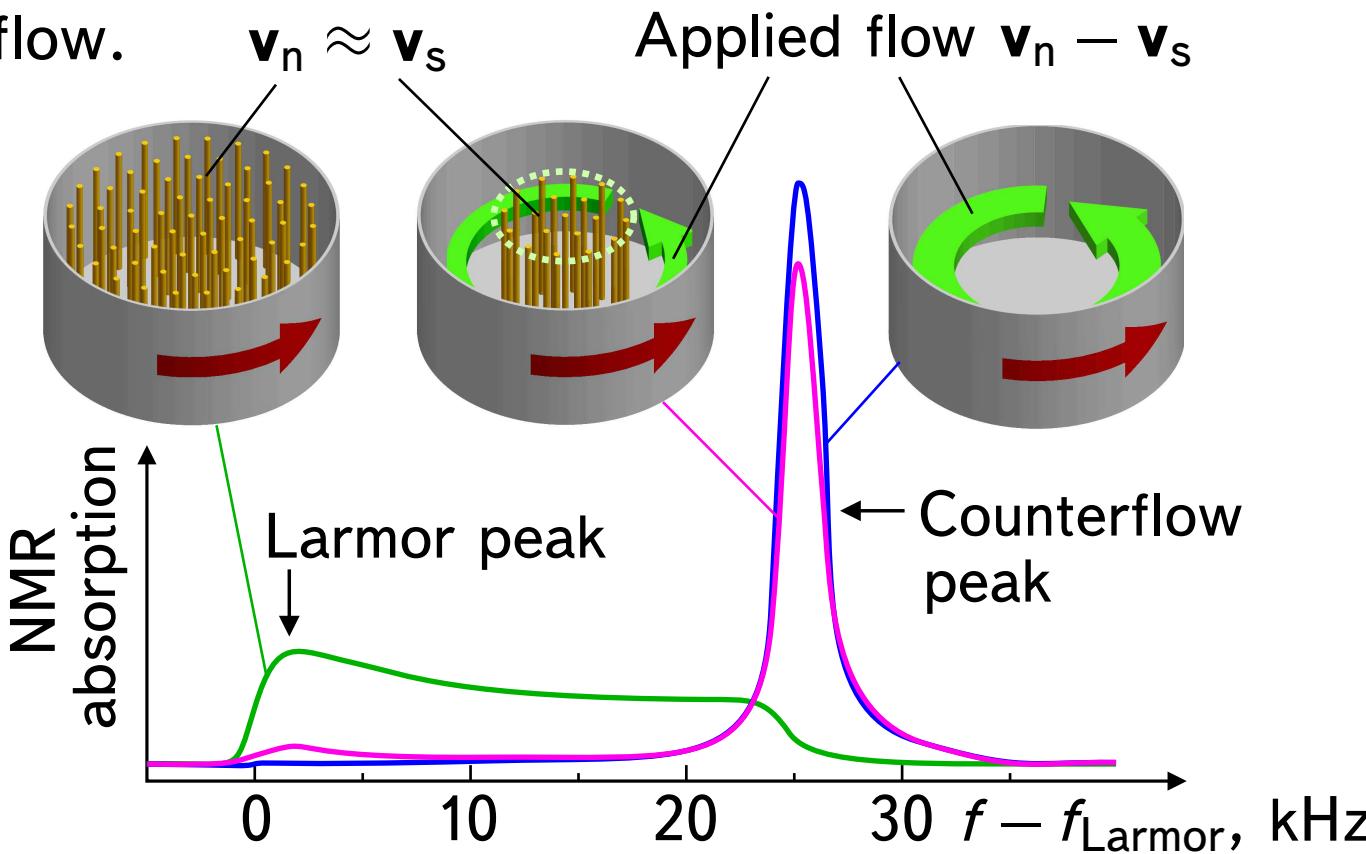
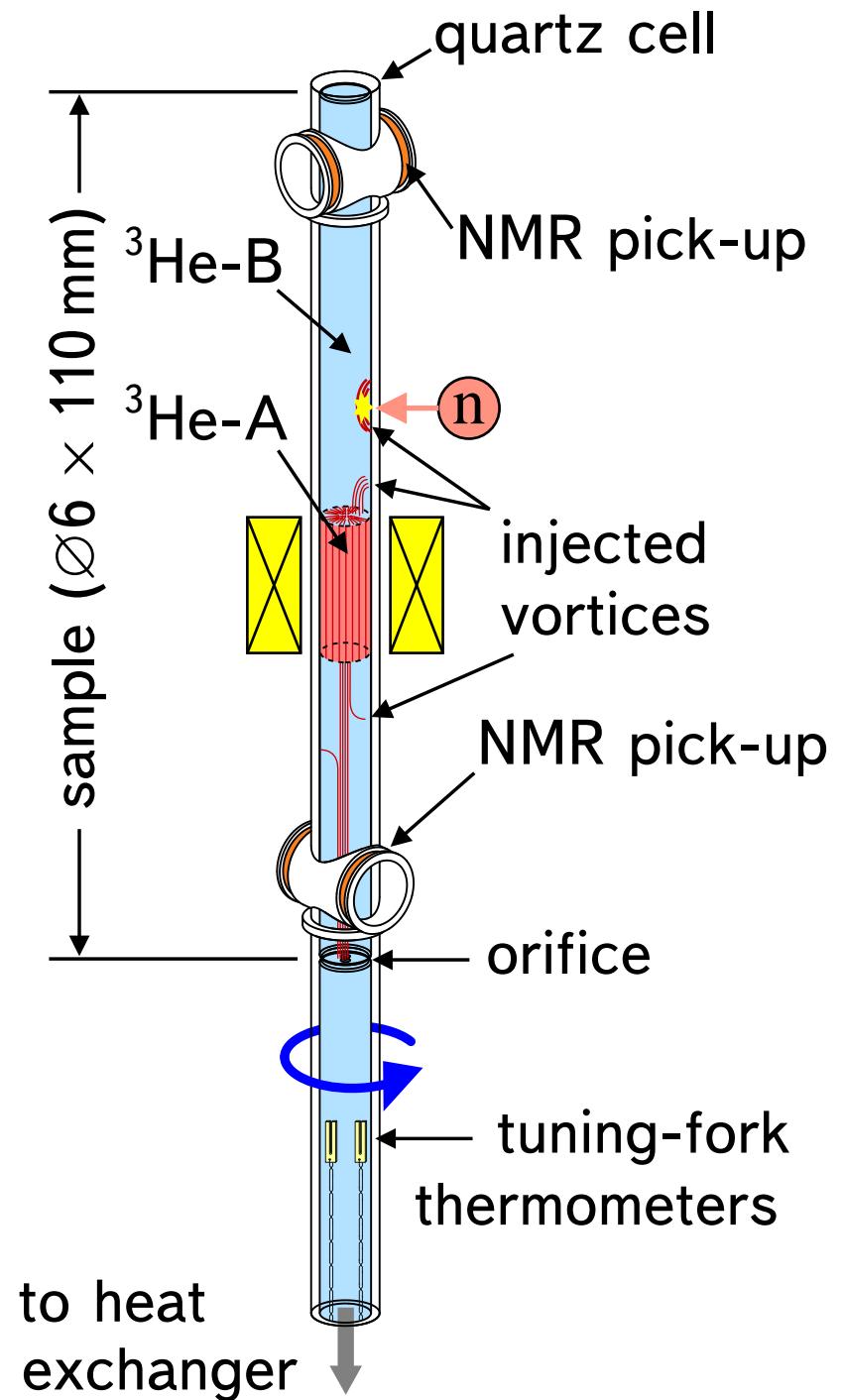
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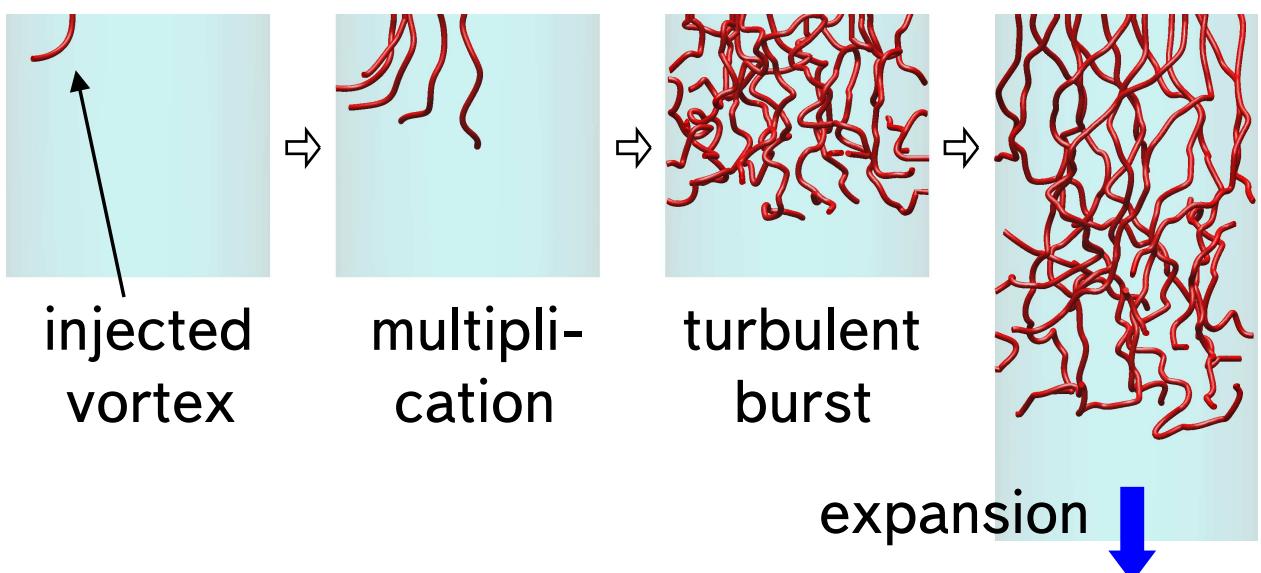
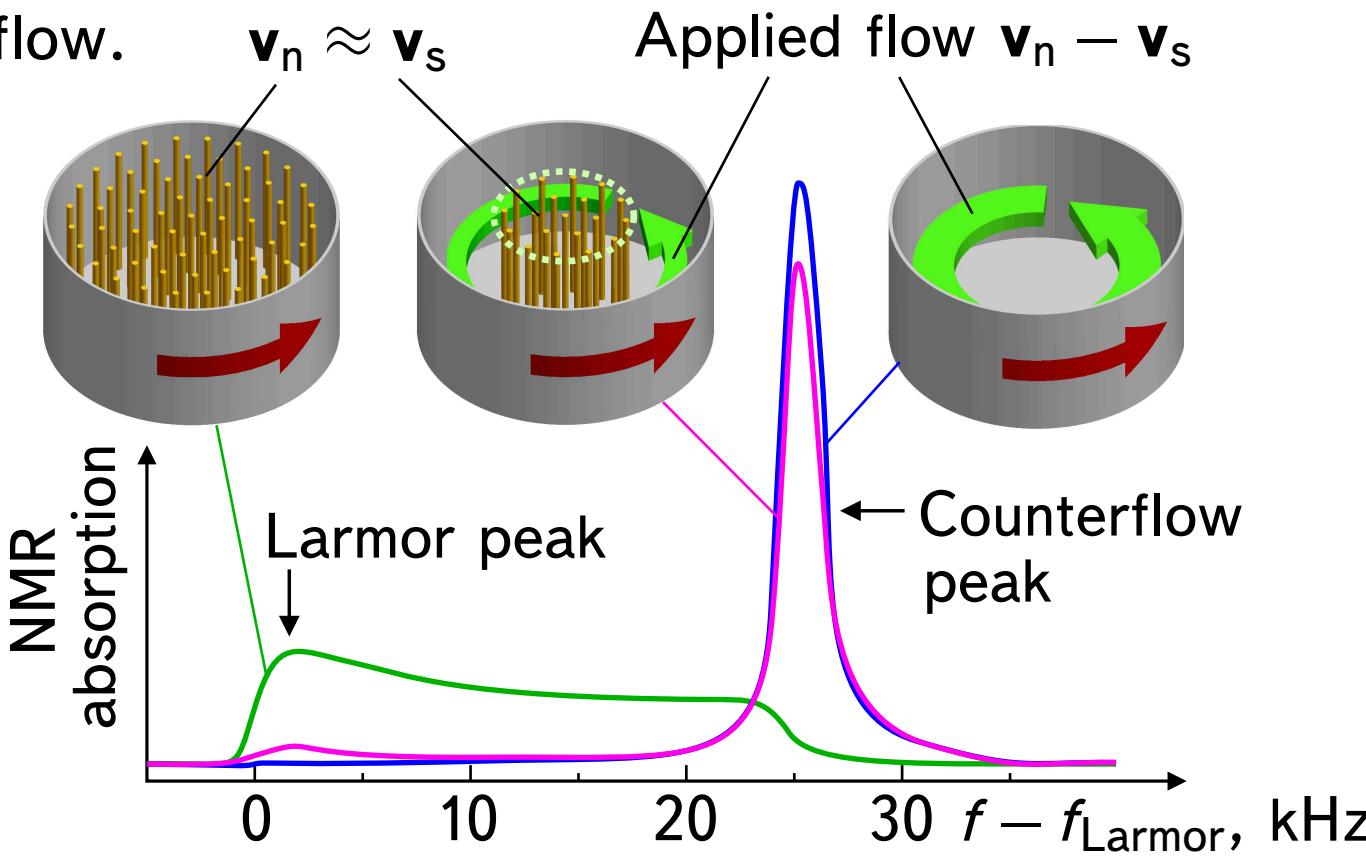
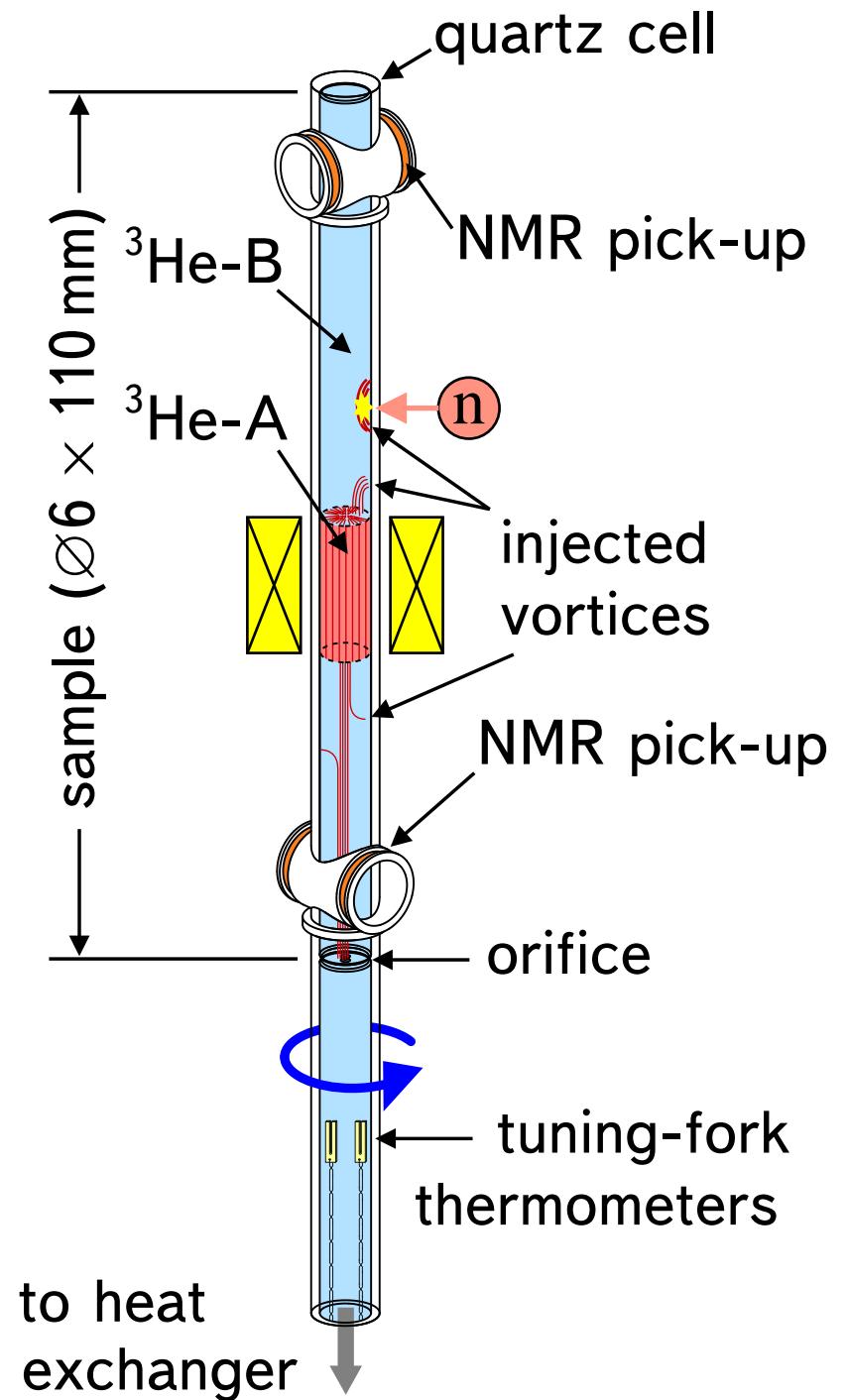
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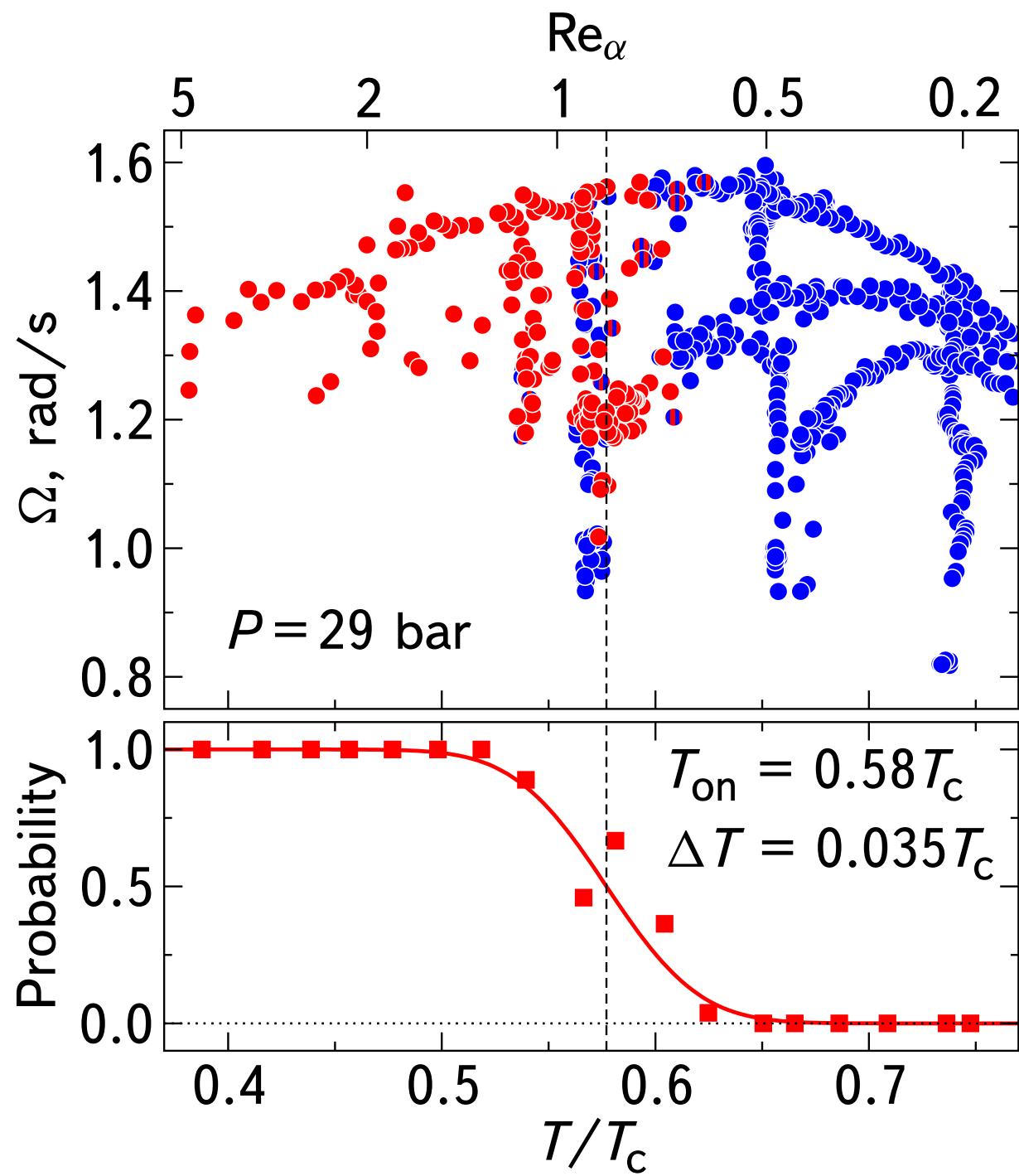
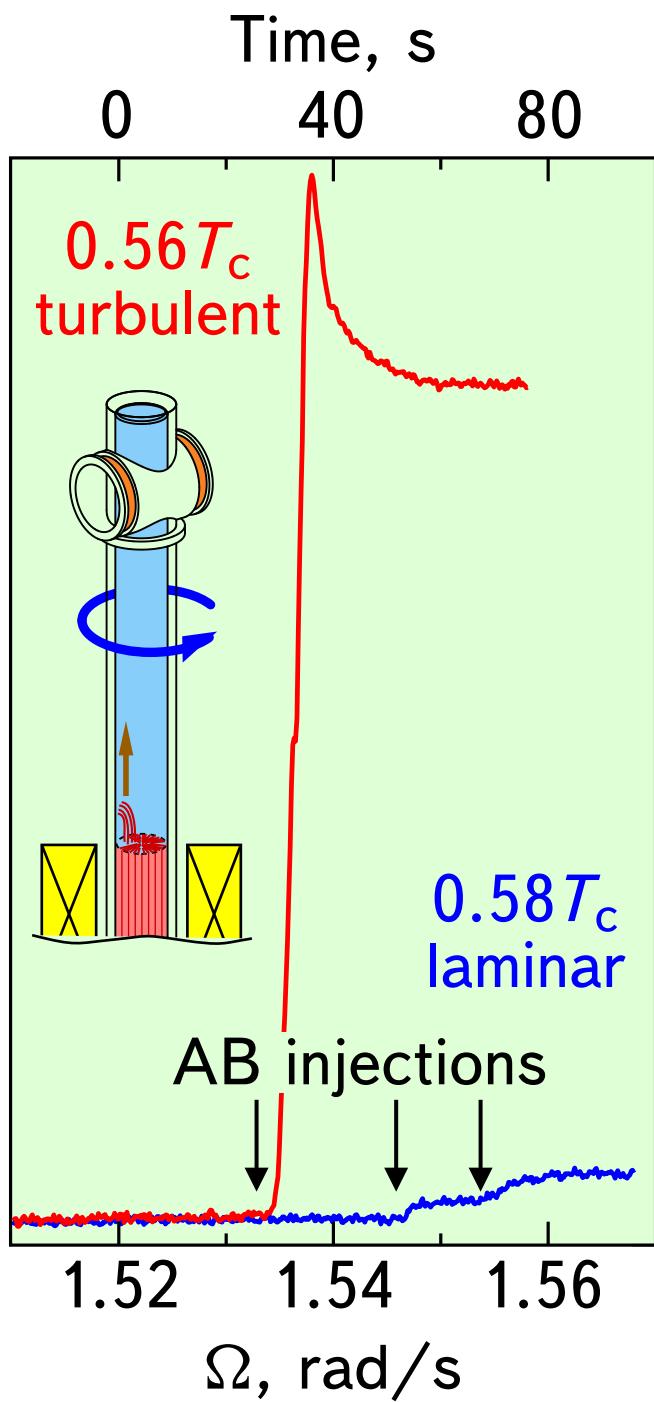
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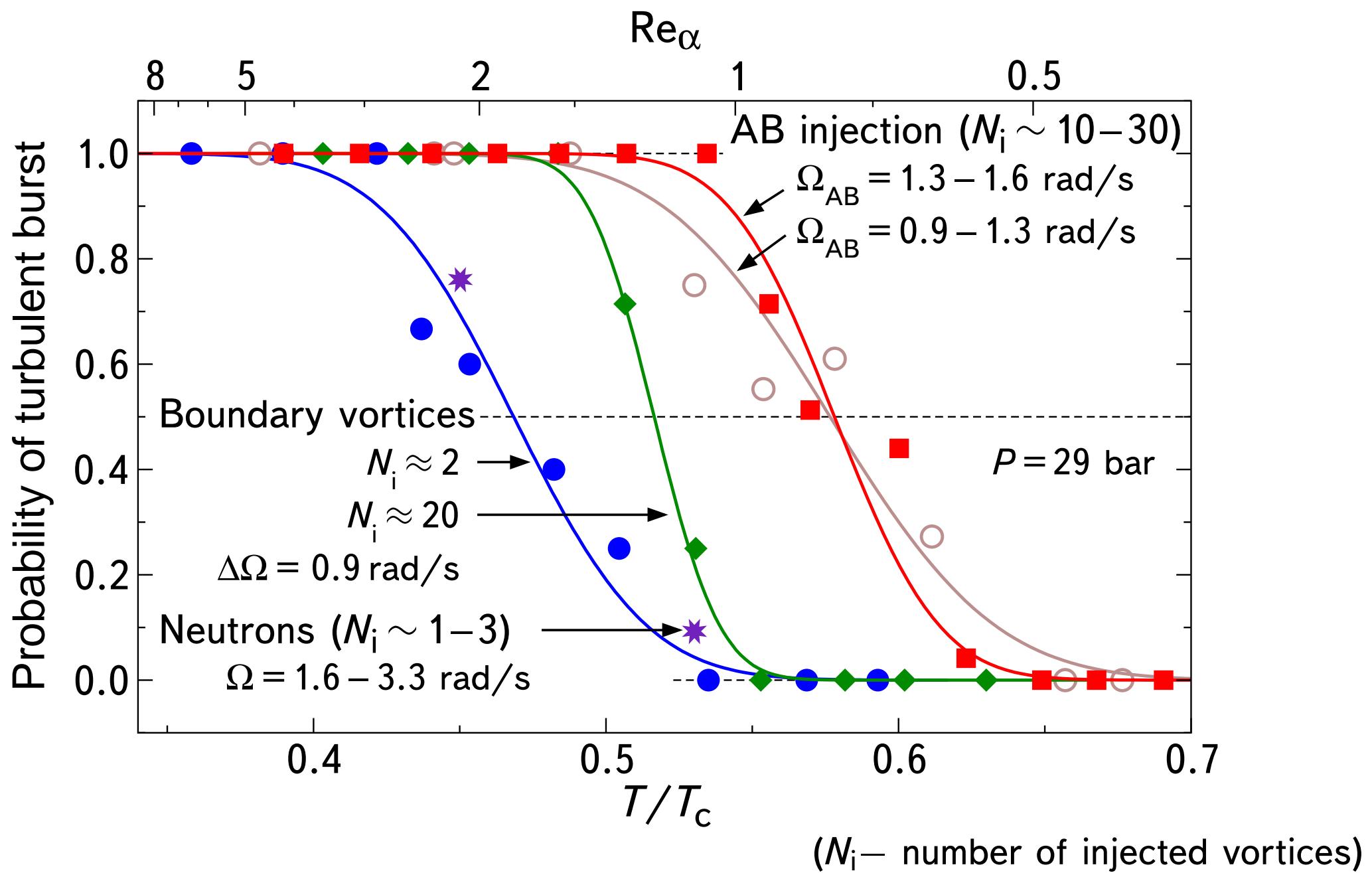
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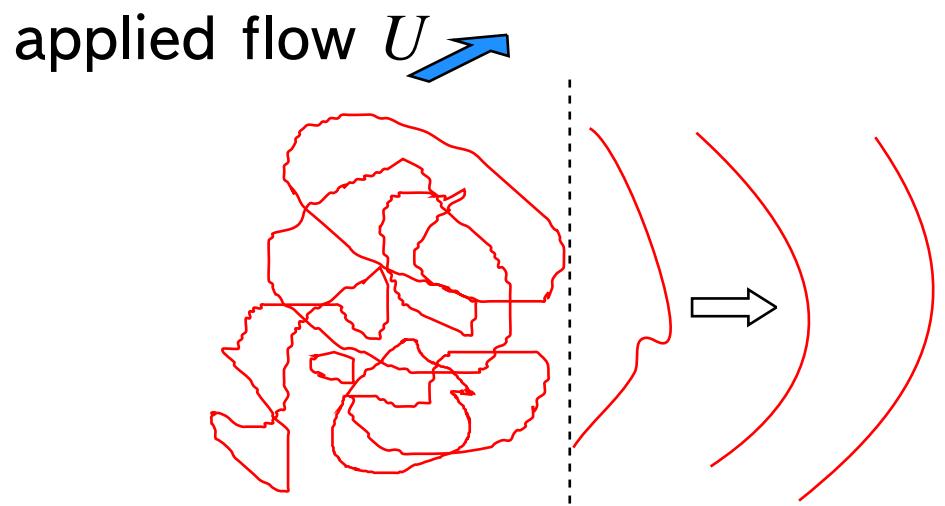
Injection with different methods:



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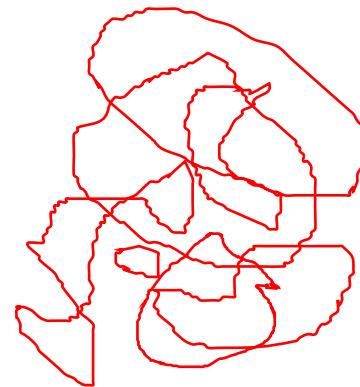
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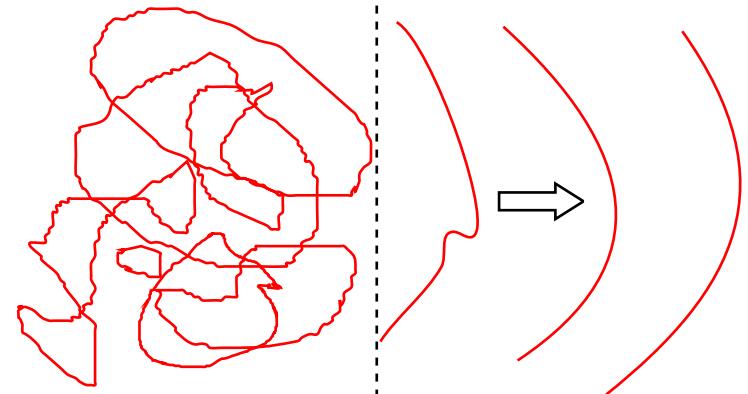
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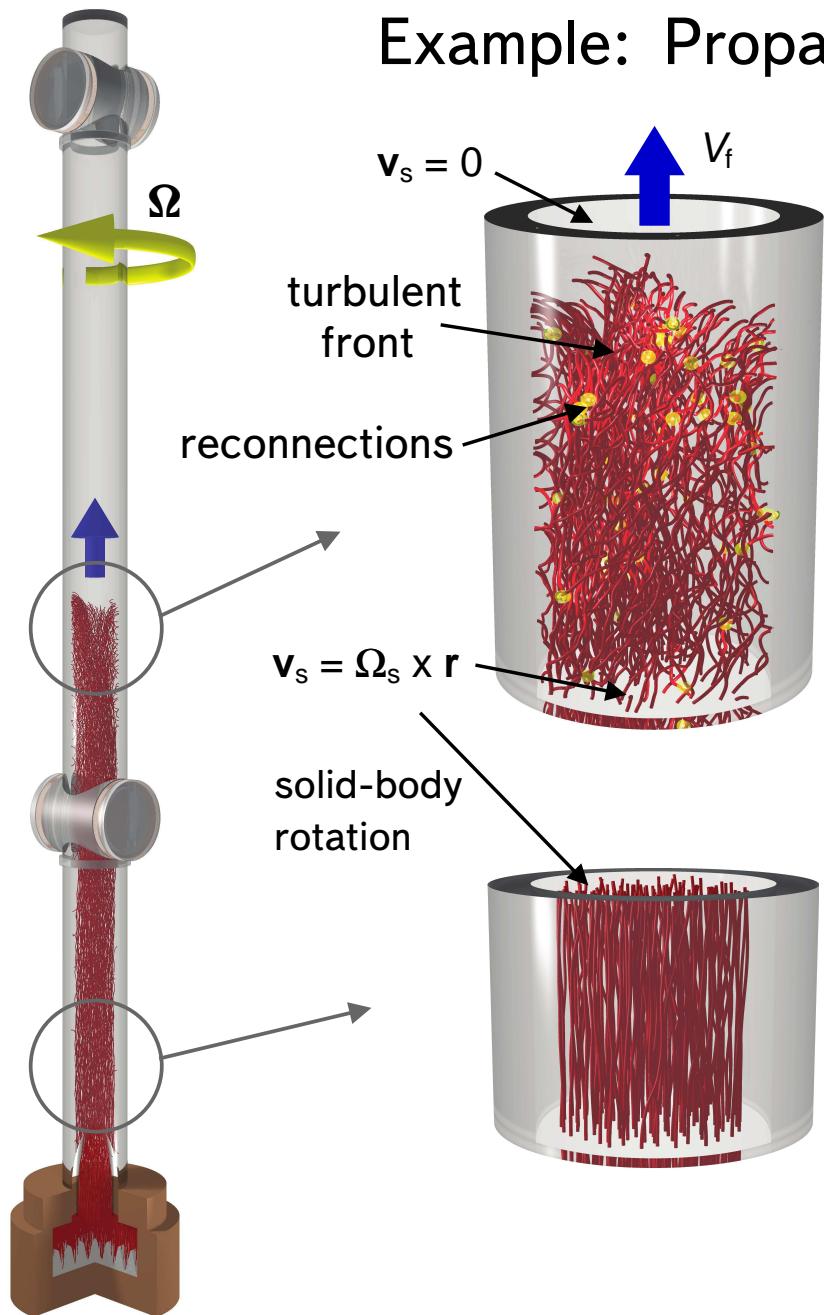
Viscosity of normal component $\nu \gg \alpha(\rho_s/\rho_n)\kappa$.

In ${}^3\text{He}$ $\nu \sim 10^3 \kappa$, in ${}^4\text{He}$ $\nu \sim \kappa$.

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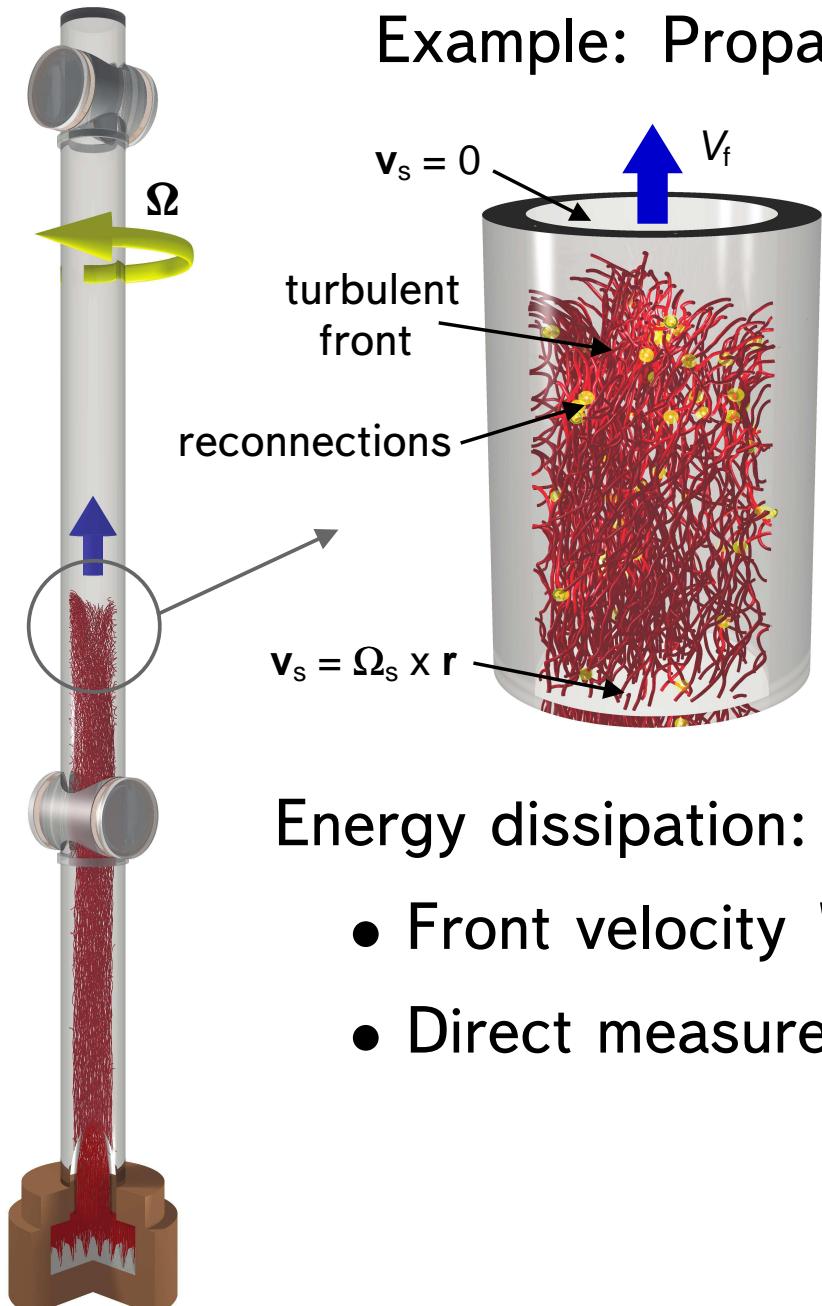
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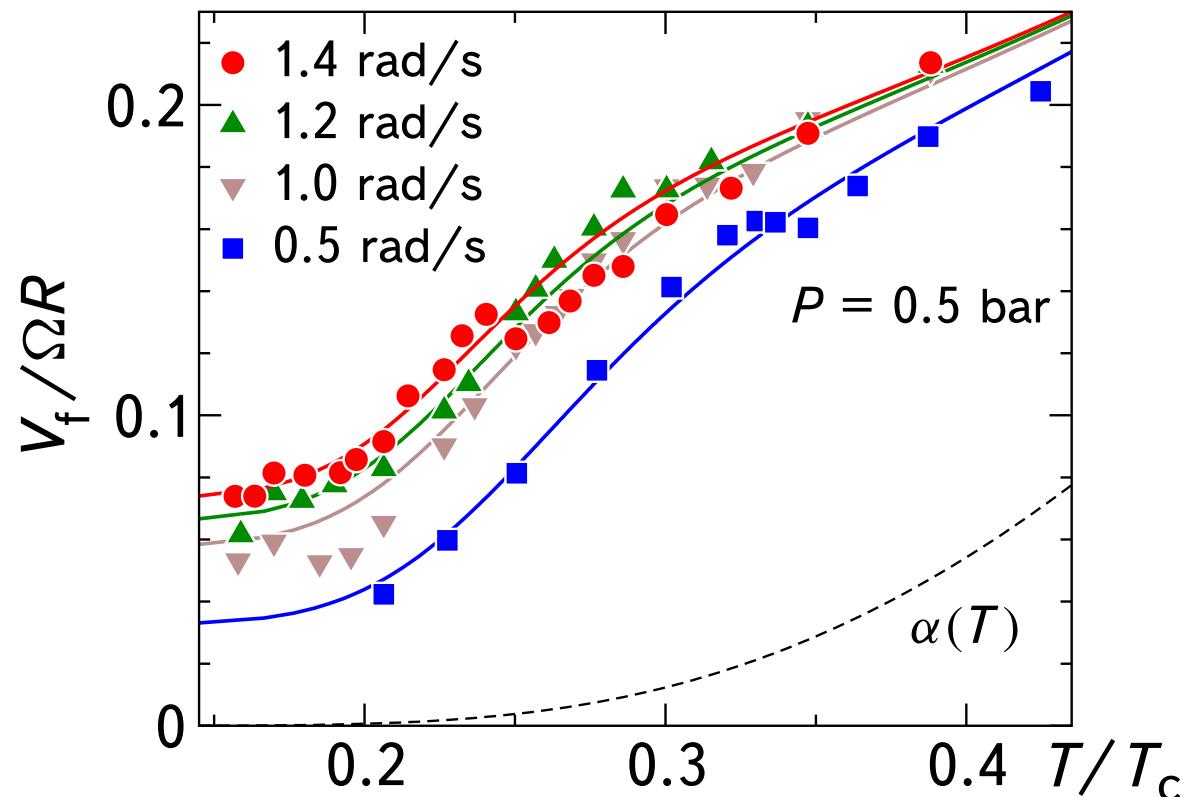
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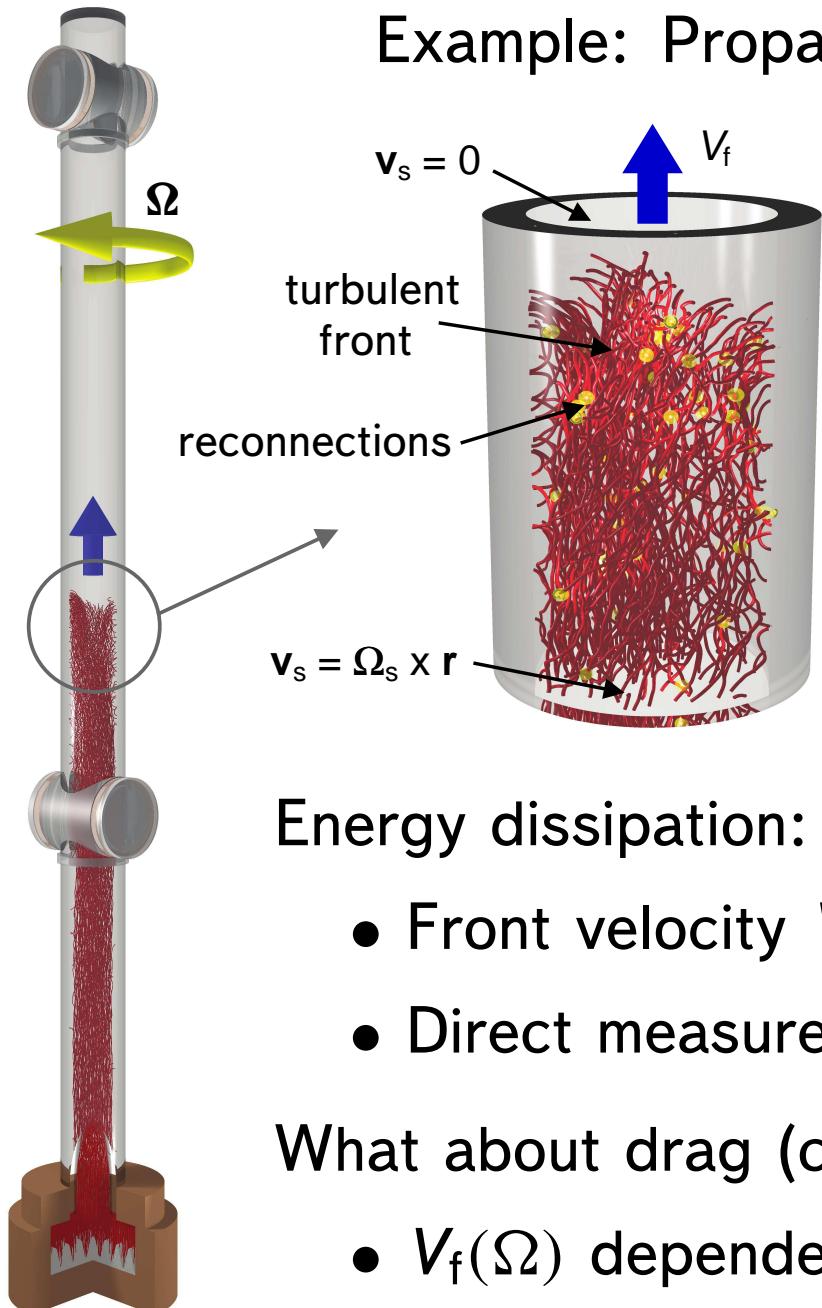
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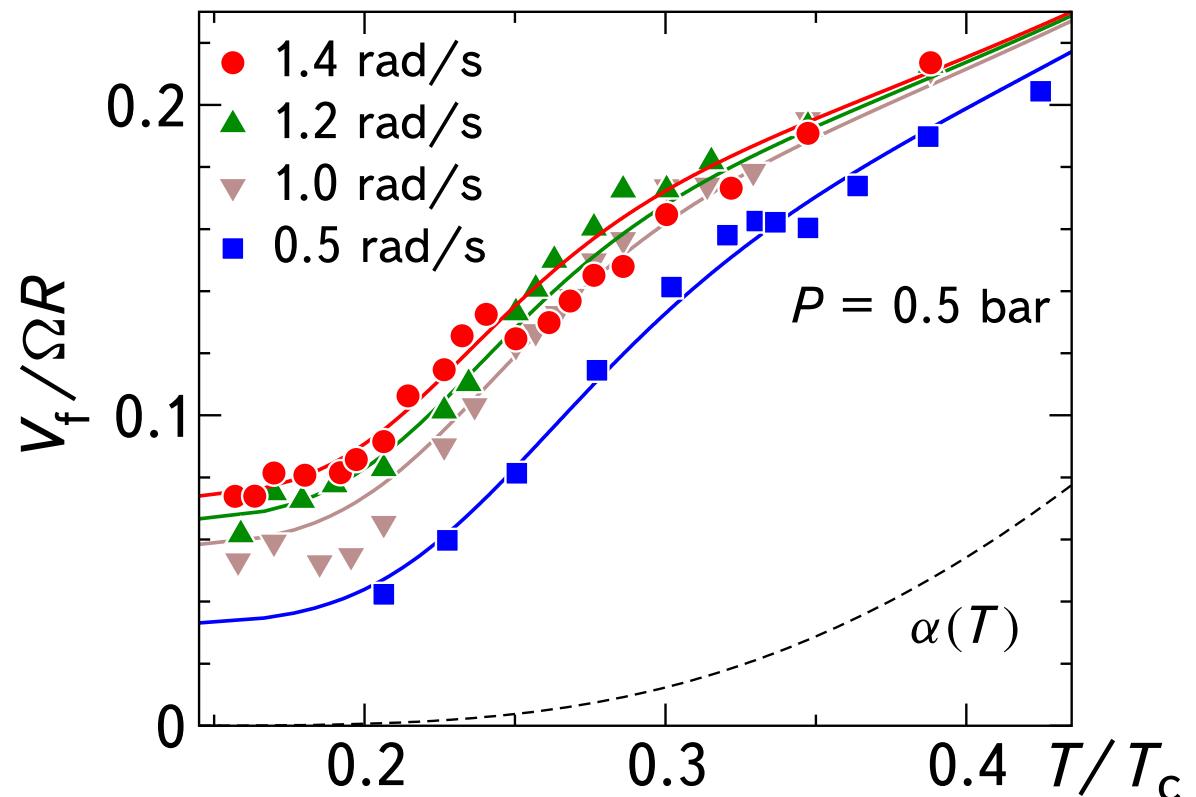


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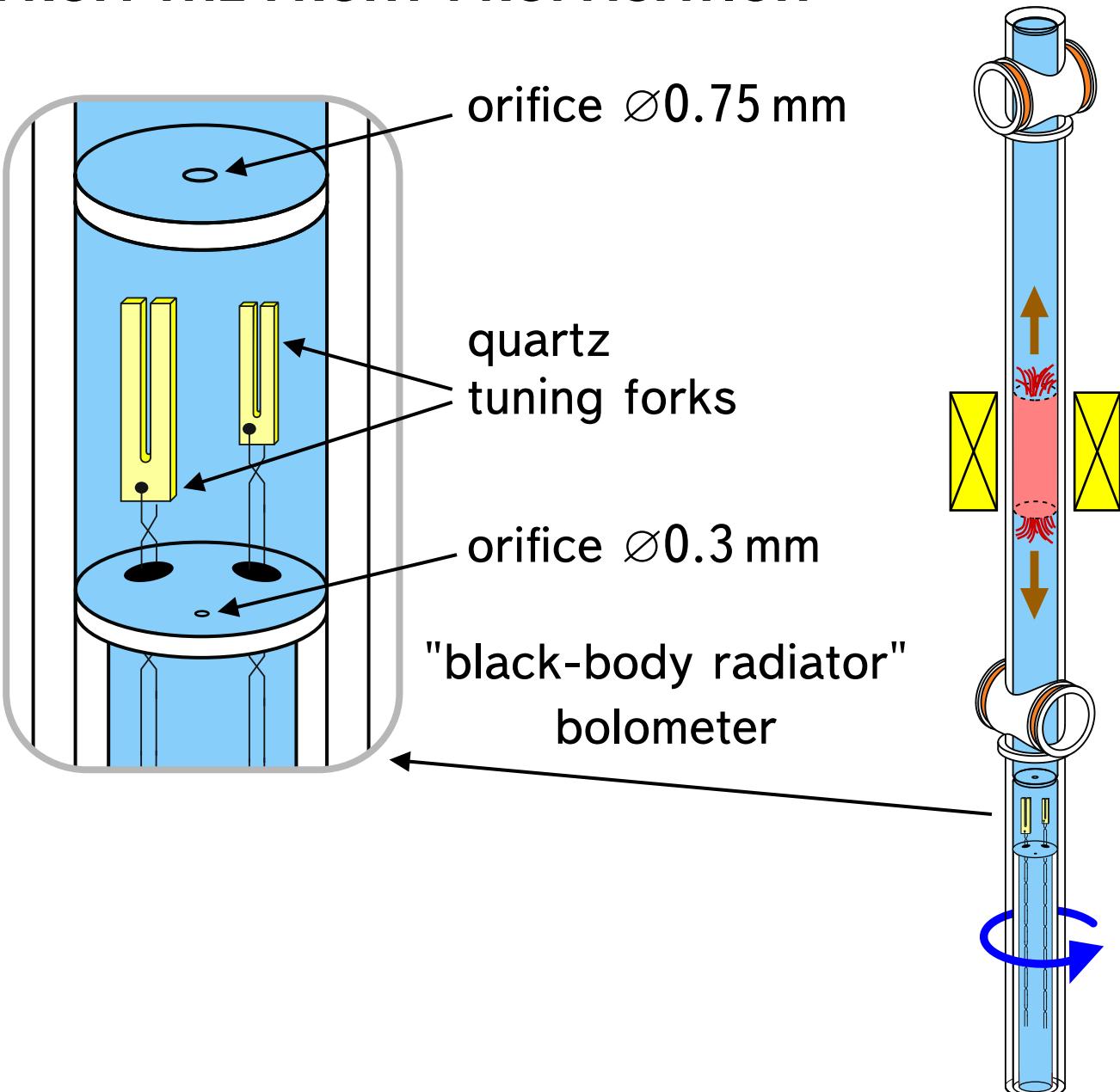
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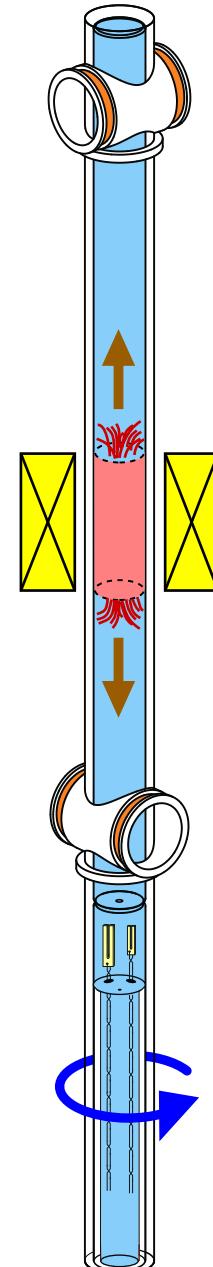
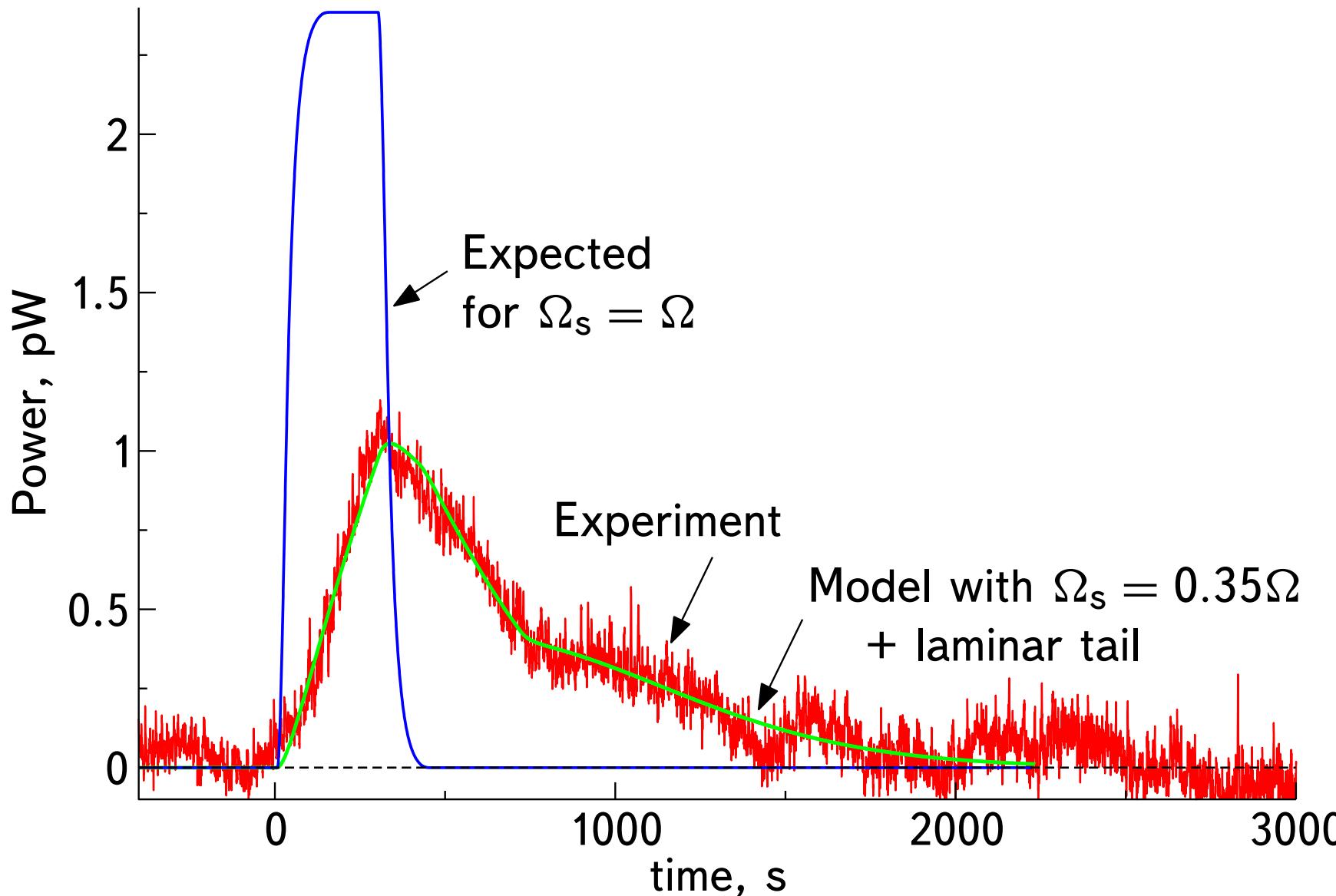
Thermal measurements:

- Sensitivity 0.1 pW
- Thermal time constant 25 s



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Trigger (A phase formation) Front reaches the end of the sample (from NMR)



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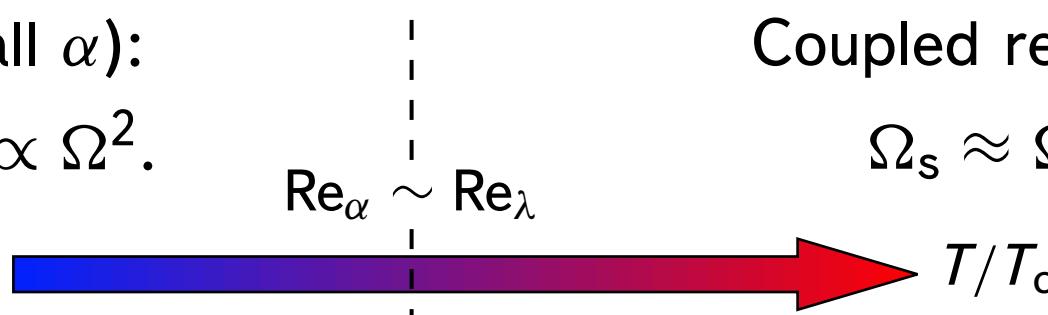
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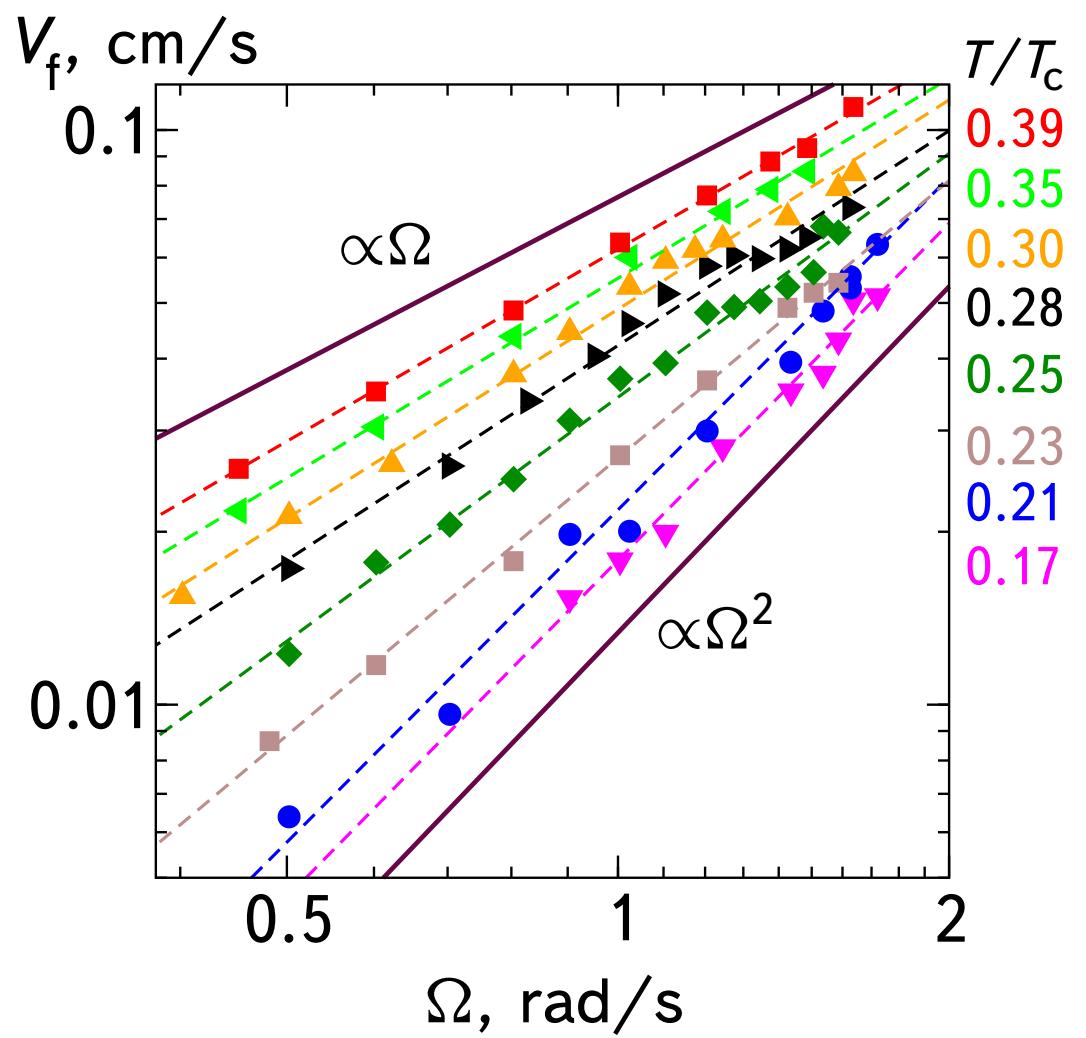
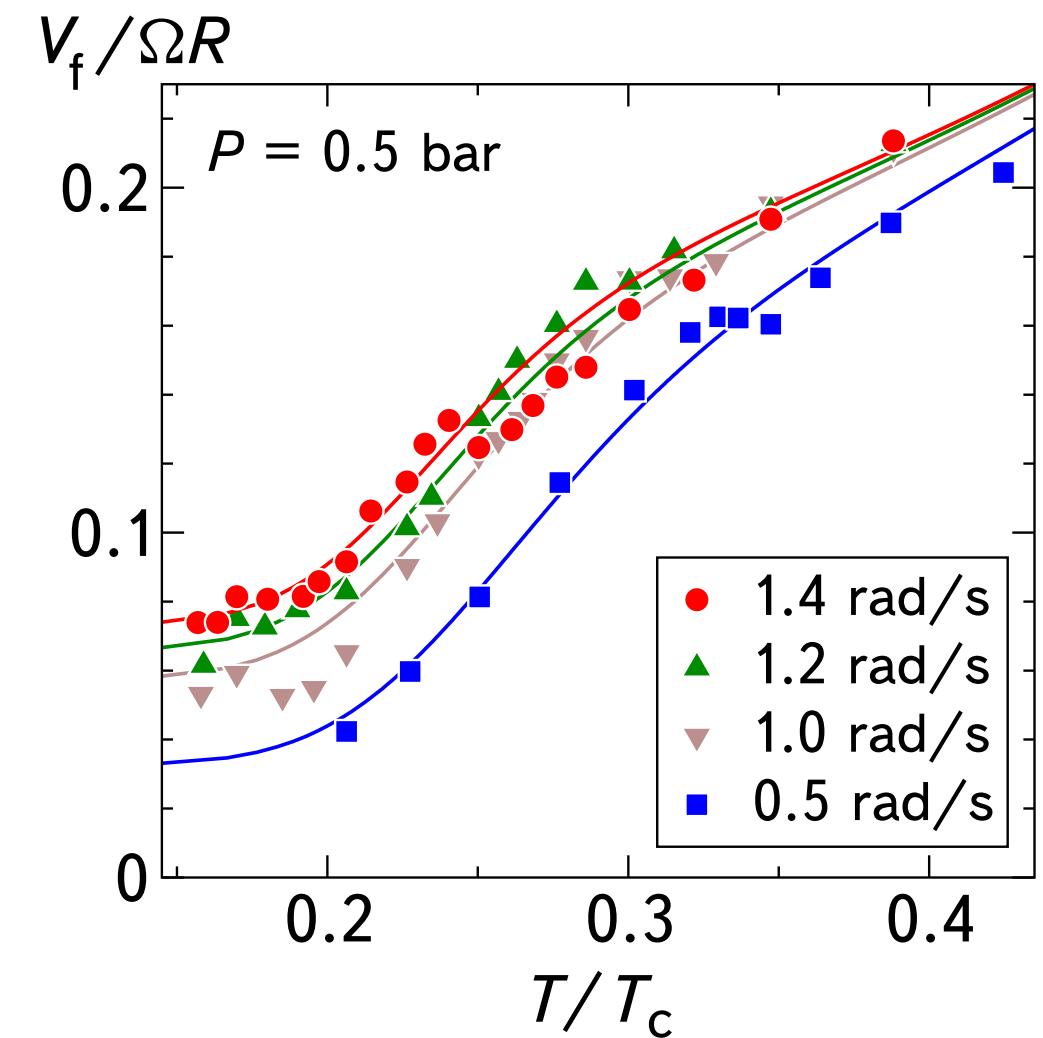
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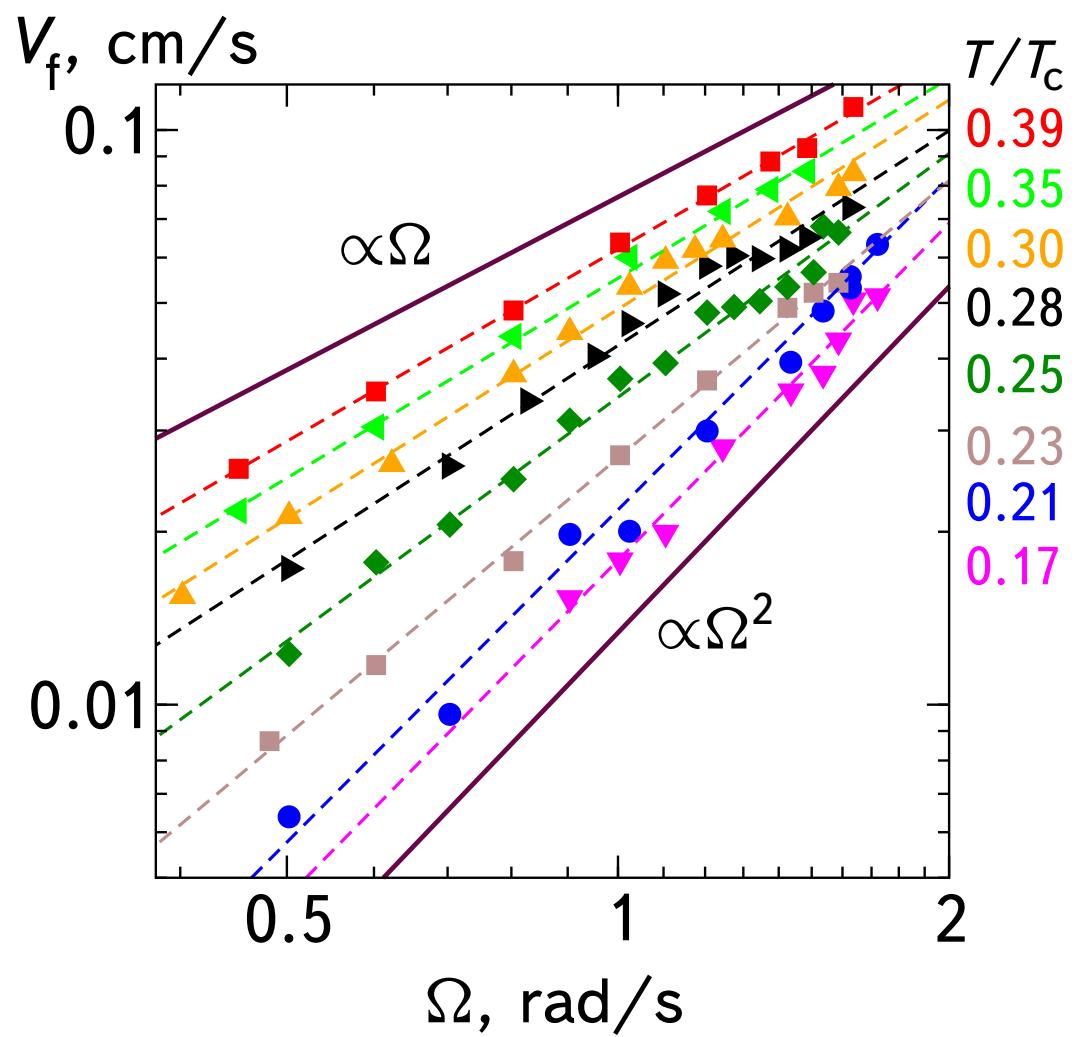
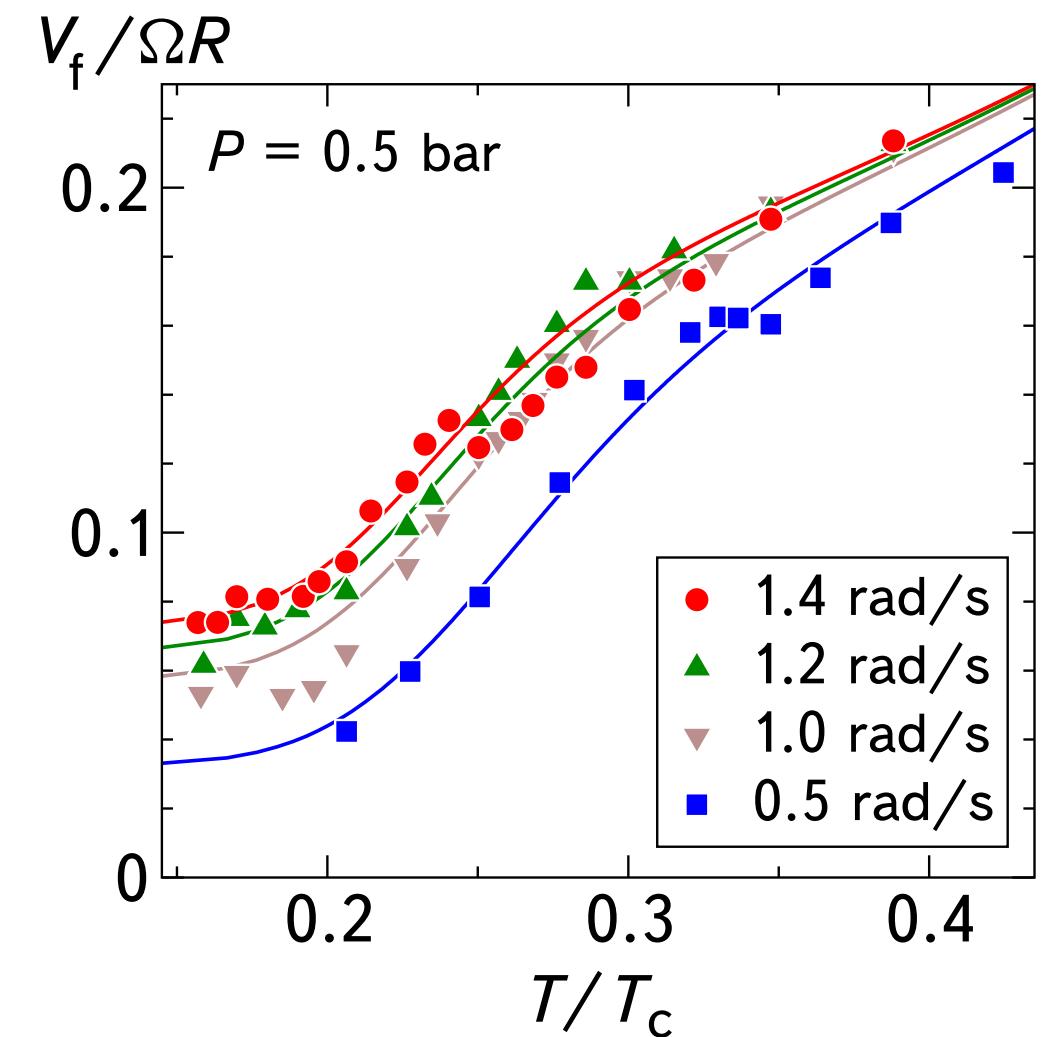
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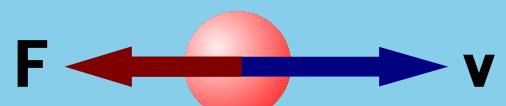
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NEW REGIME OF SUPERFLUID HYDRODYNAMICS

ideal fluid



D'Alembert's paradox (1752):

drag $\mathbf{F} = 0$, dissipation $\mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$.

(classical solution: Prandtl 1904 – boundary layers)

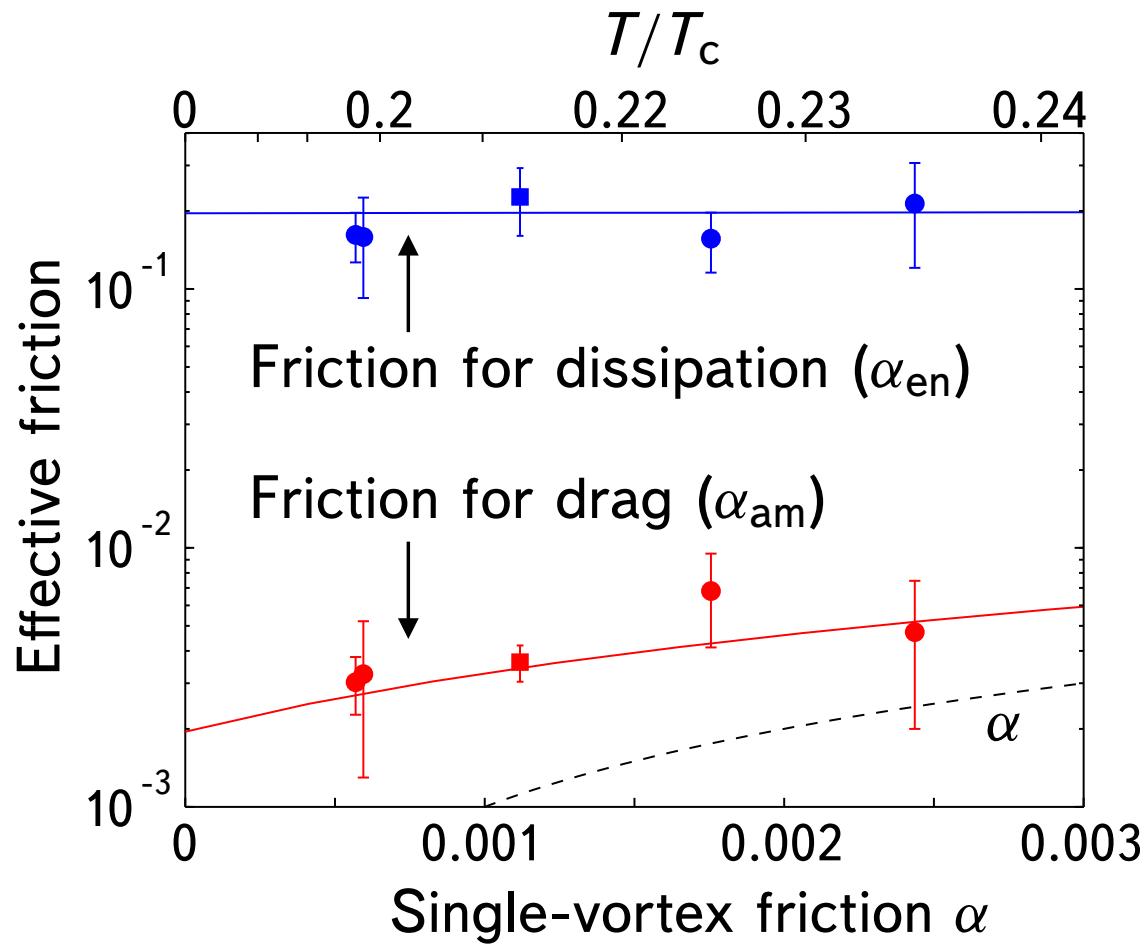
Owing to quantum turbulence (QT)

in superfluids even when $T \rightarrow 0$:

dissipation > 0 ,

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No effective boundary layers,
decoupling of superfluid from
the reference frame.



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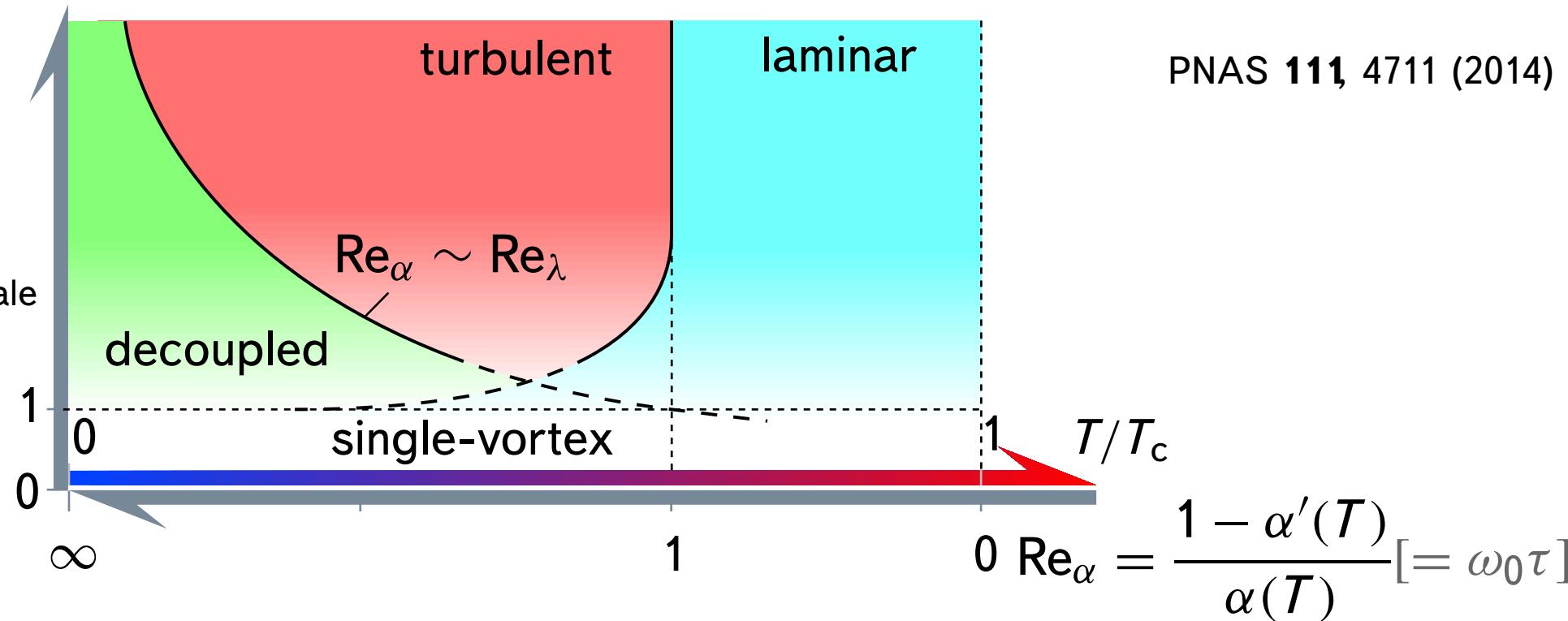
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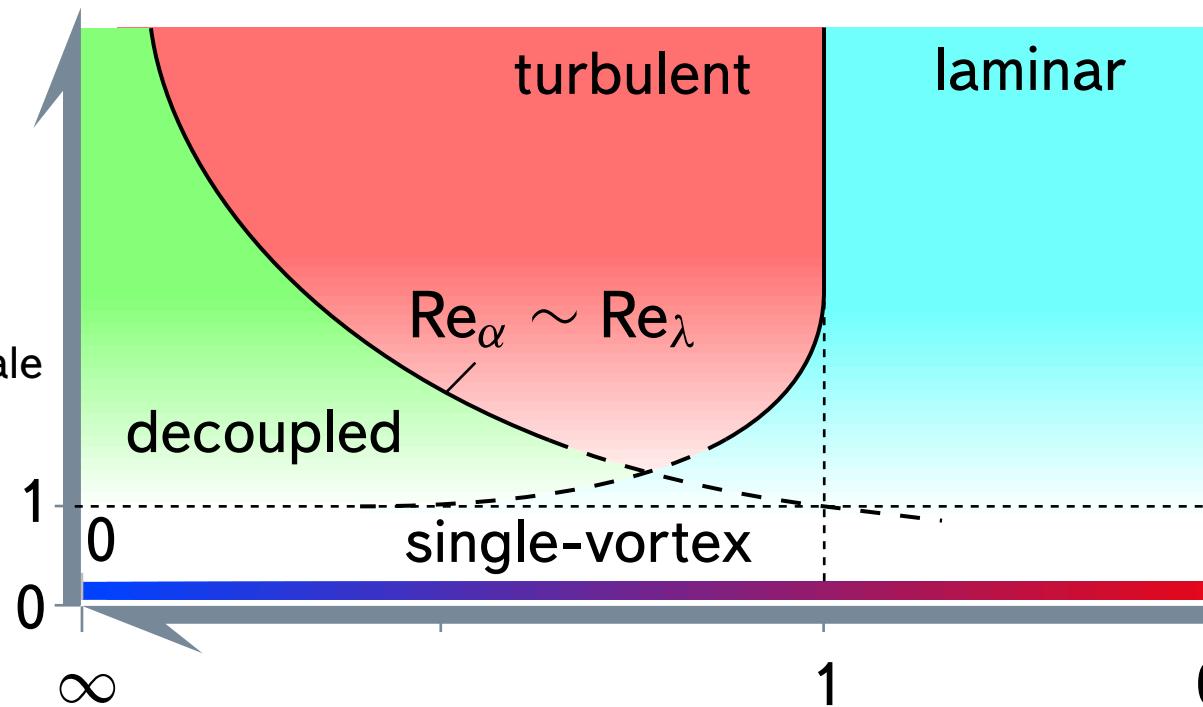
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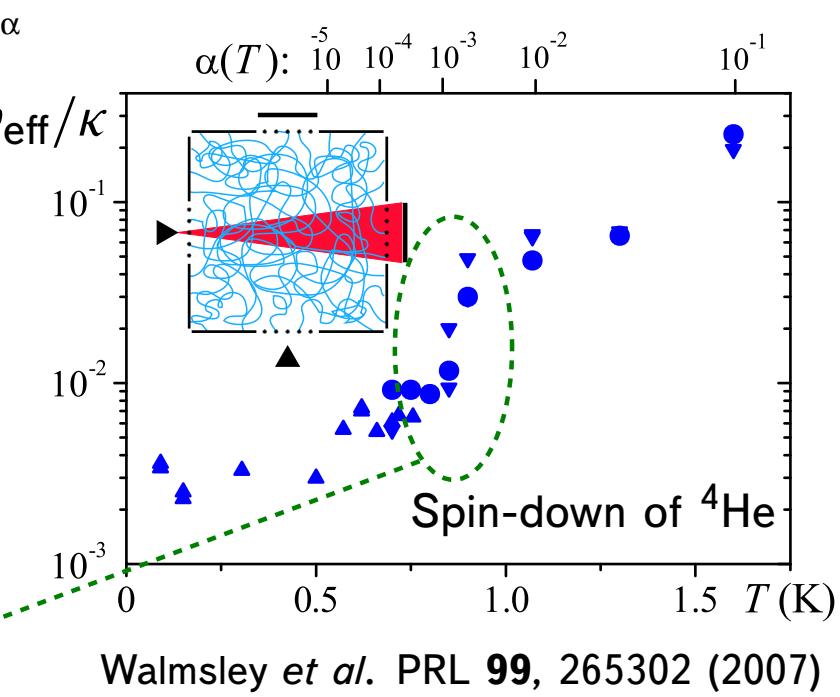
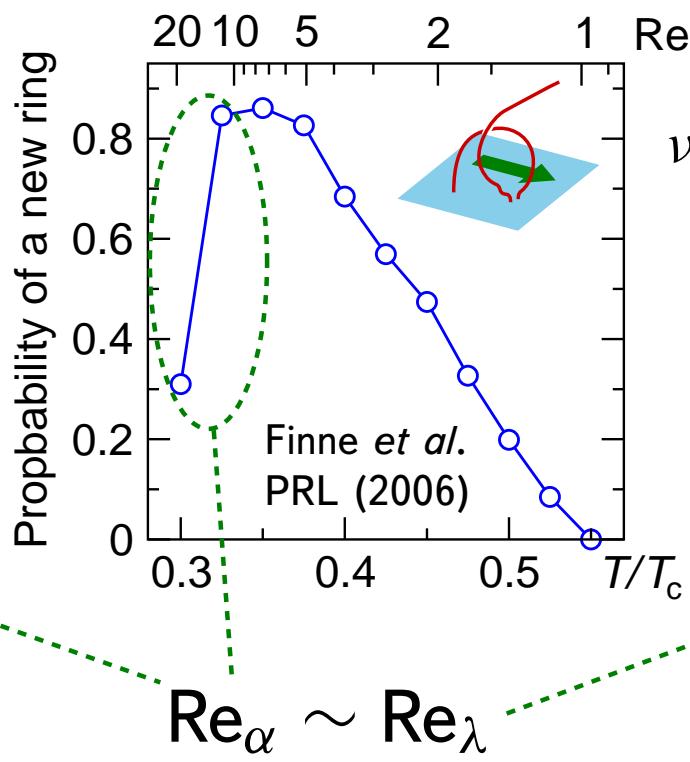
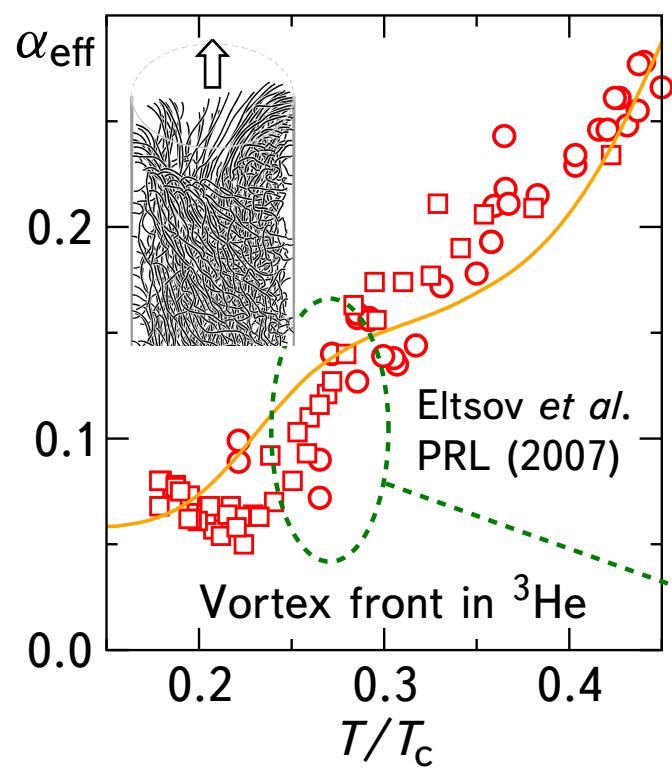
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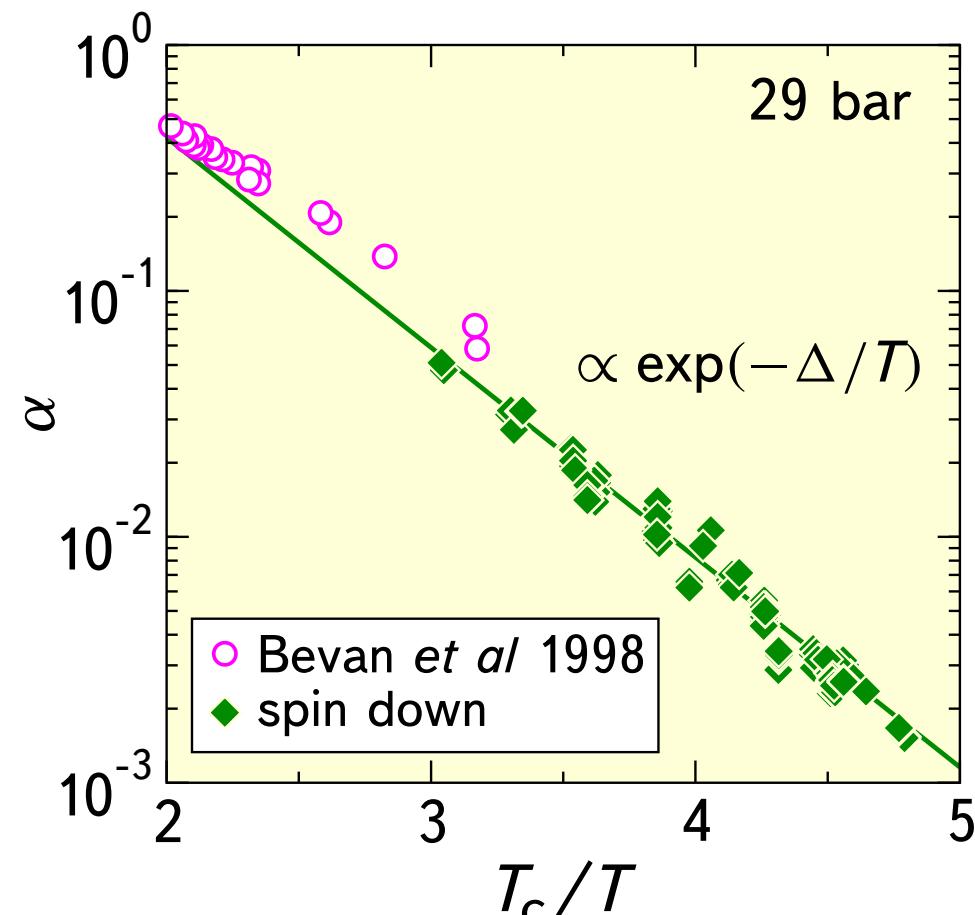
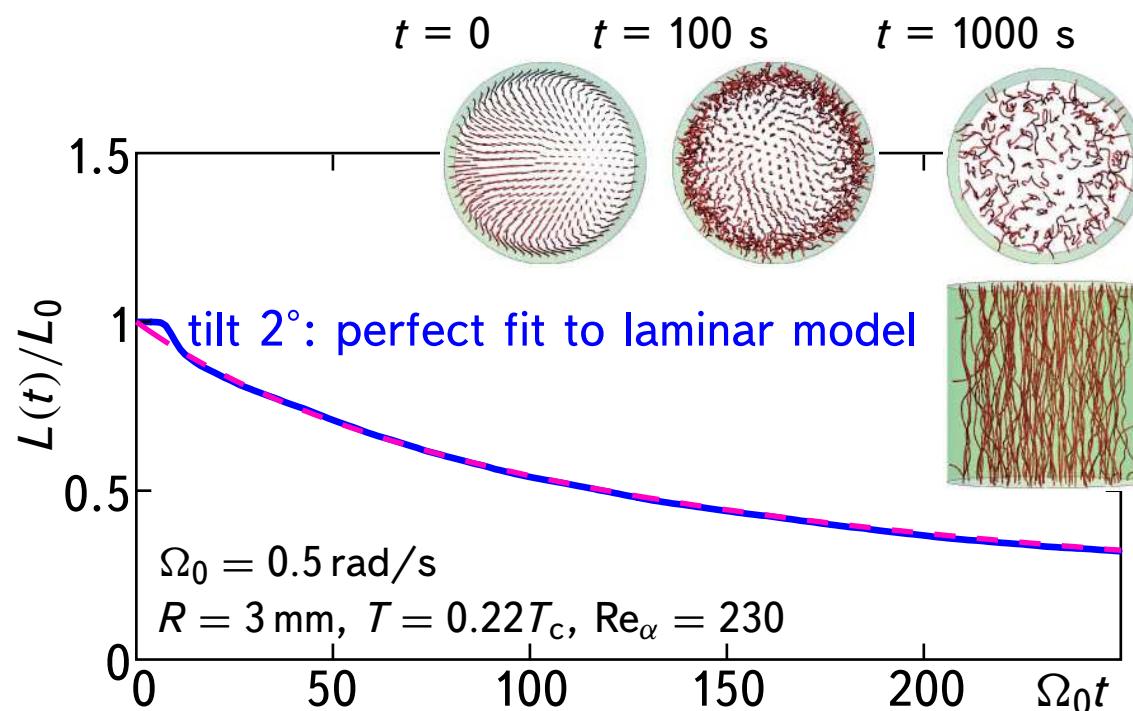
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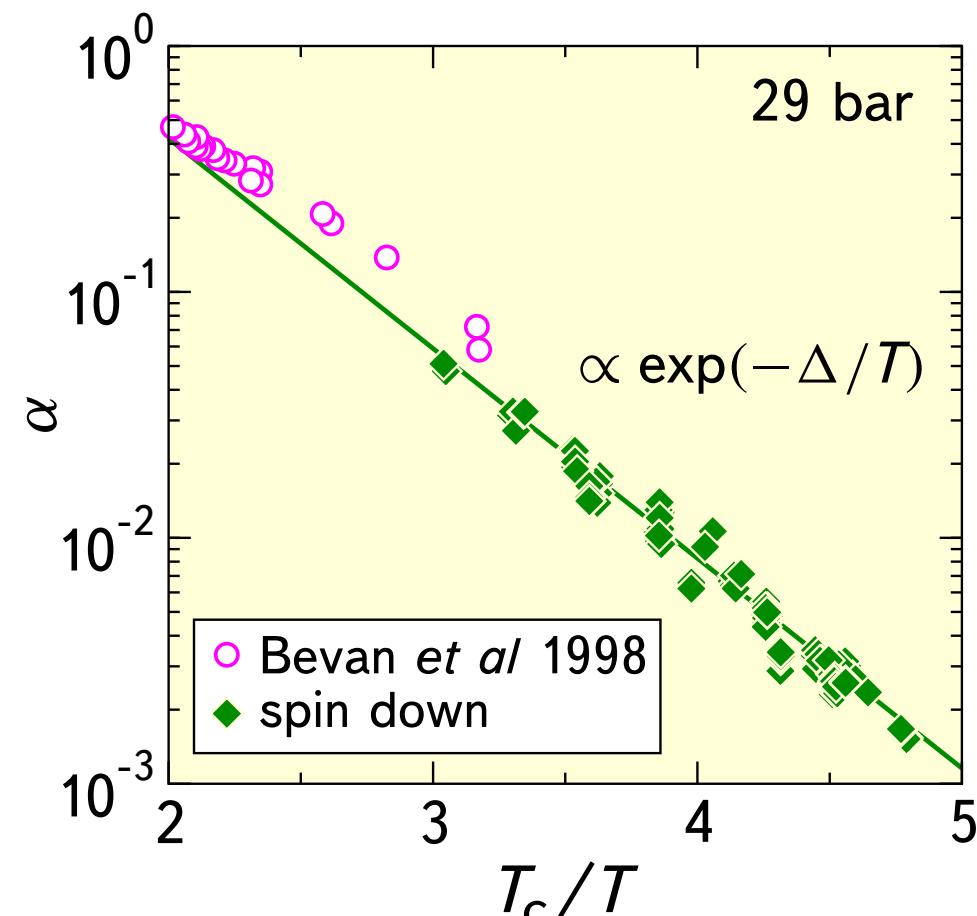
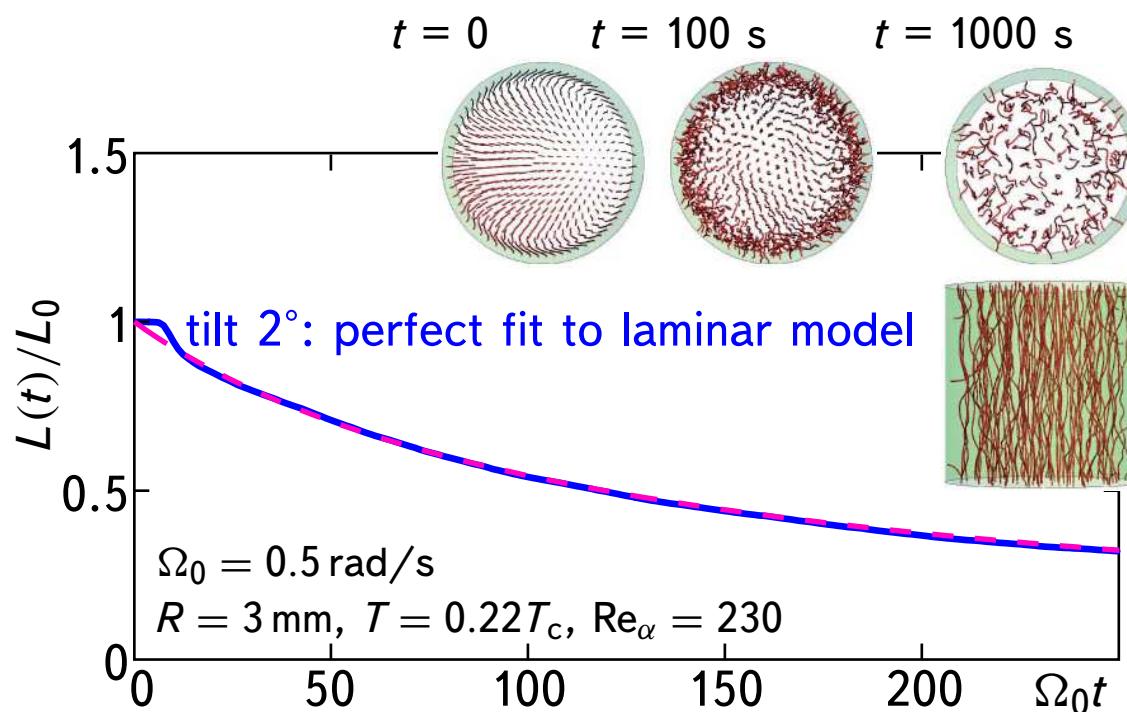


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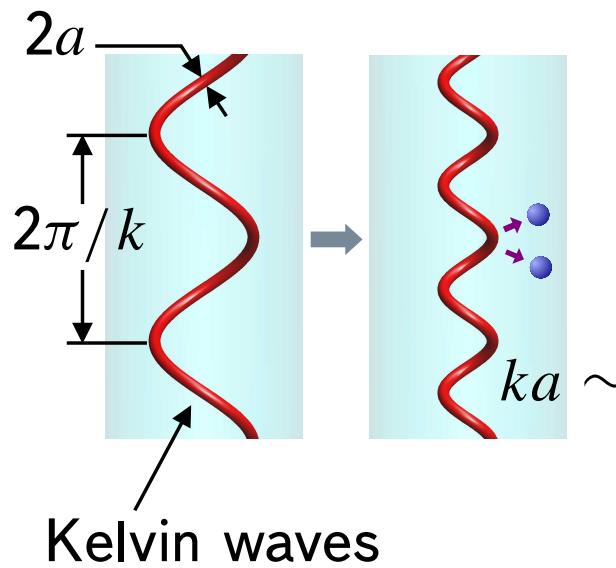


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Open questions in $T \rightarrow 0$ limit:

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- Core states "overflow" and \mathbf{v}_L -dependent α ?
- Interaction with Kelvin waves?

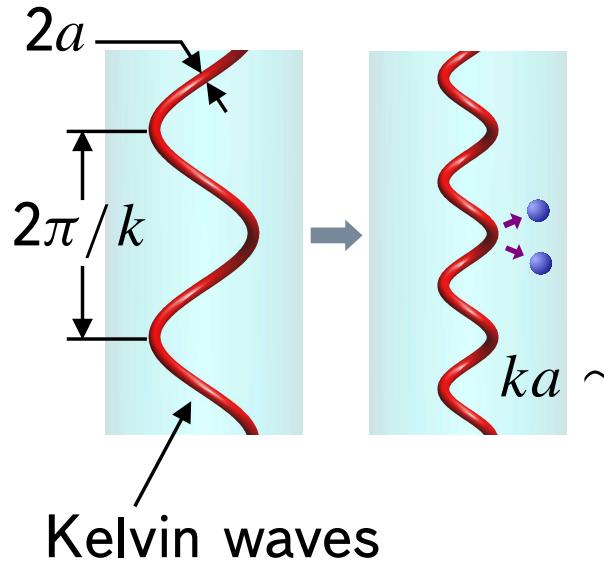
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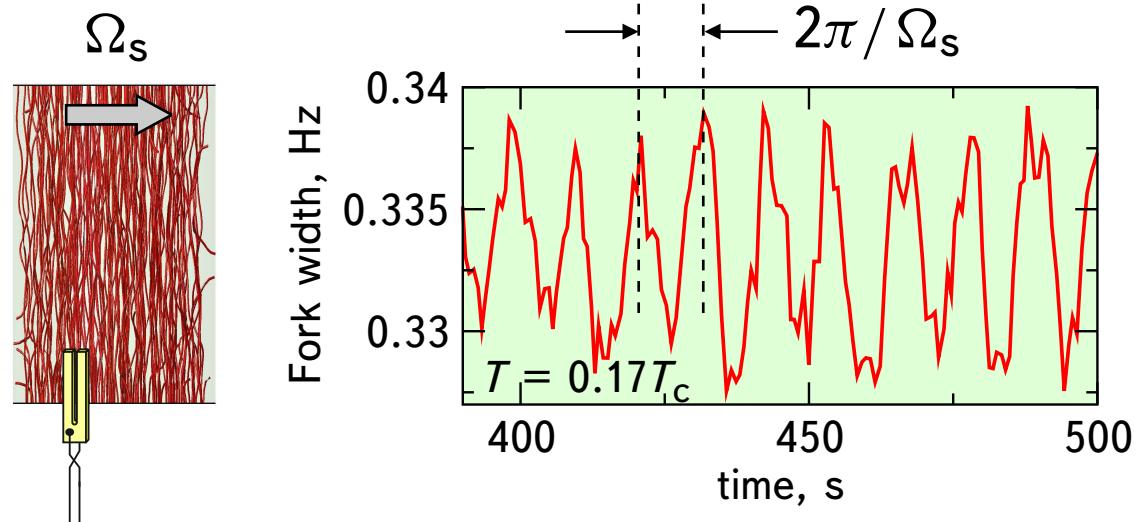
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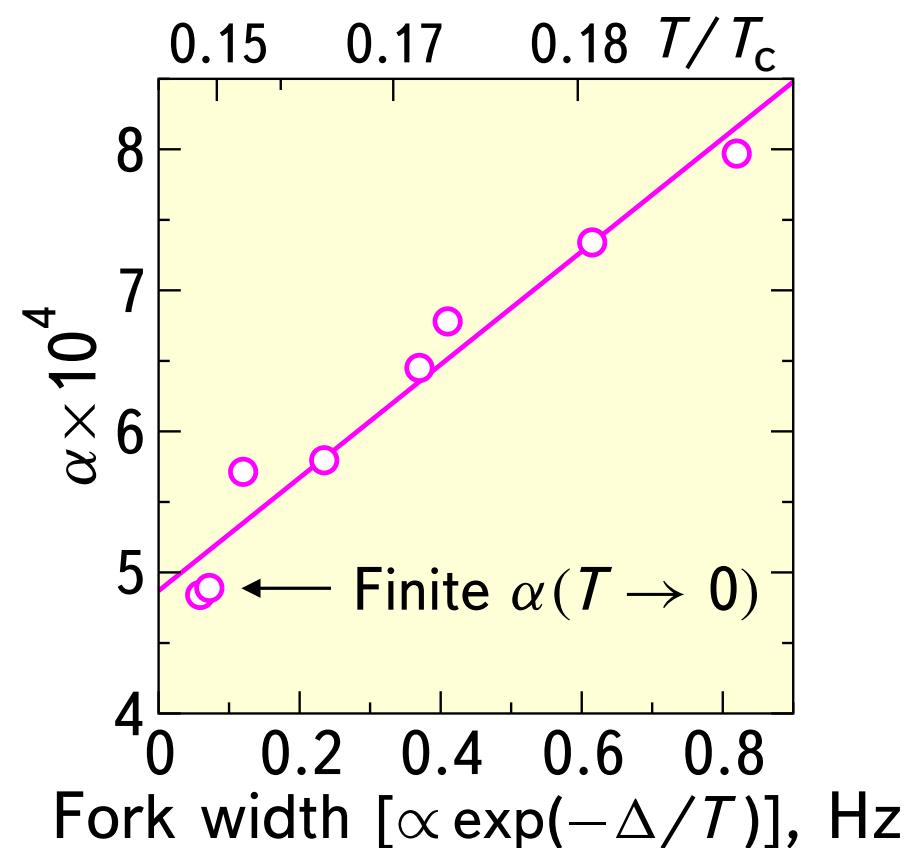
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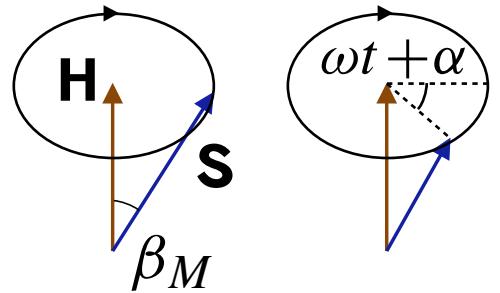


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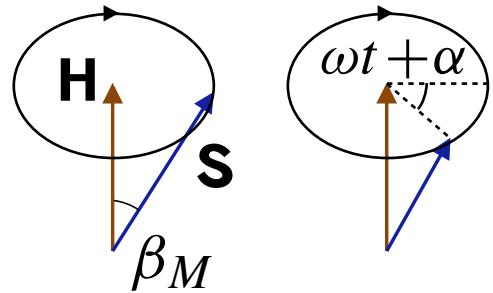
PROBING VORTEX-CORE- AND SURFACE-BOUNDED FERMIONS WITH MAGNON BEC

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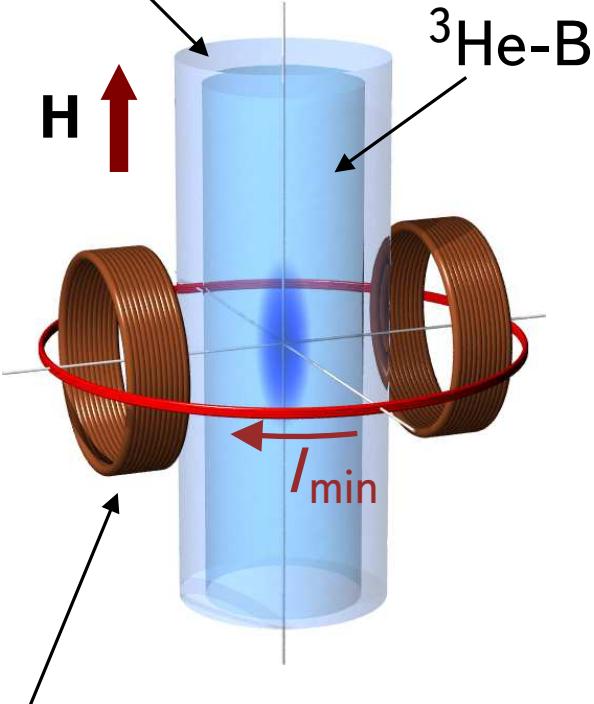


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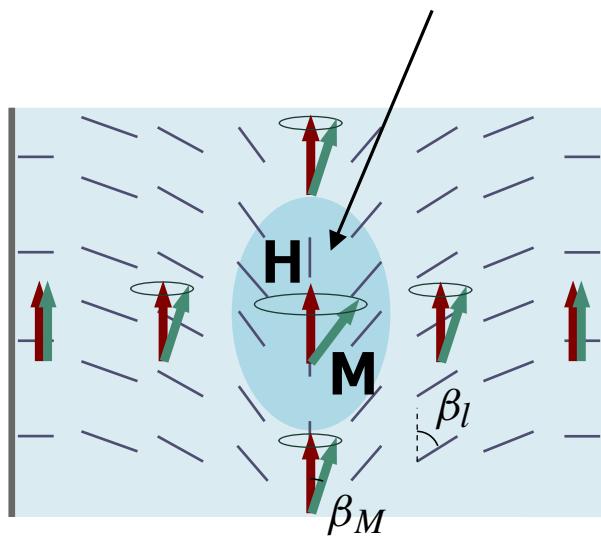
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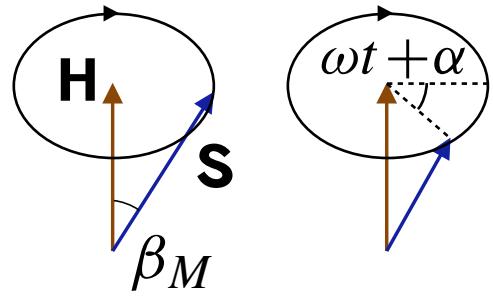
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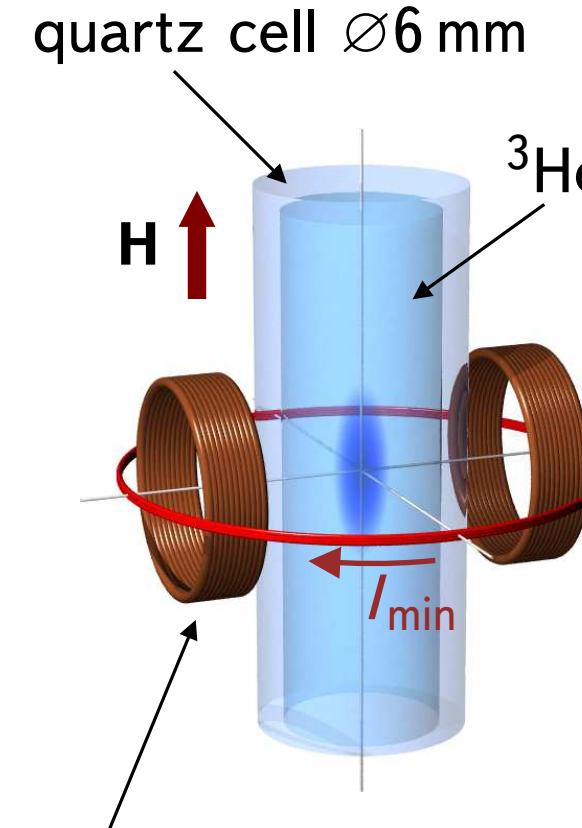


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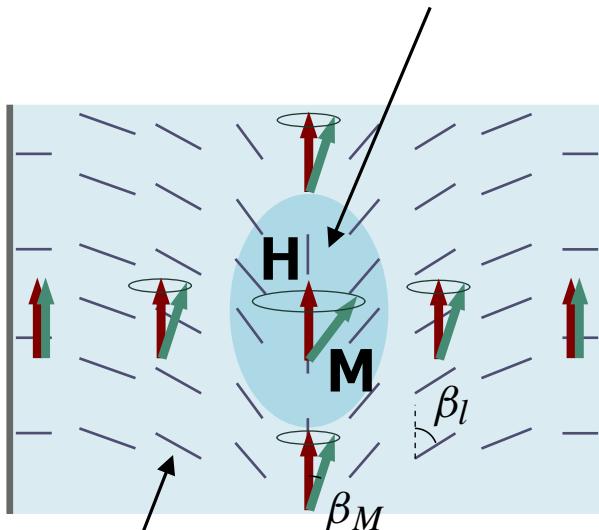


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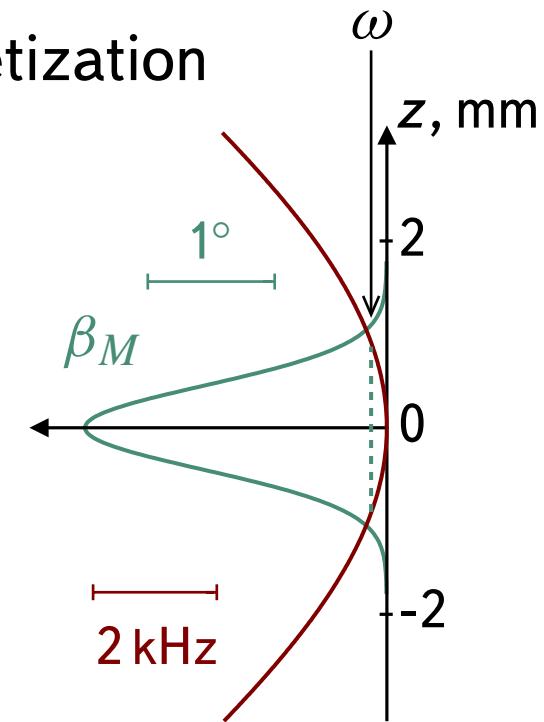
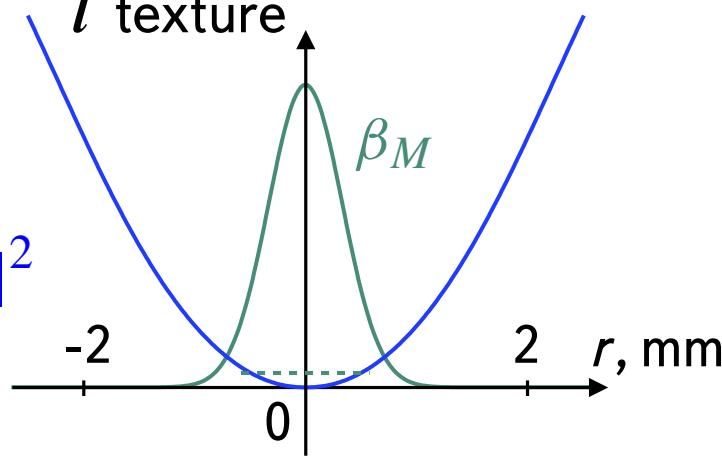
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$$F_{so} \propto \sin^2 \frac{\beta_l}{2} |\Psi|^2$$

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\hat{l} texture



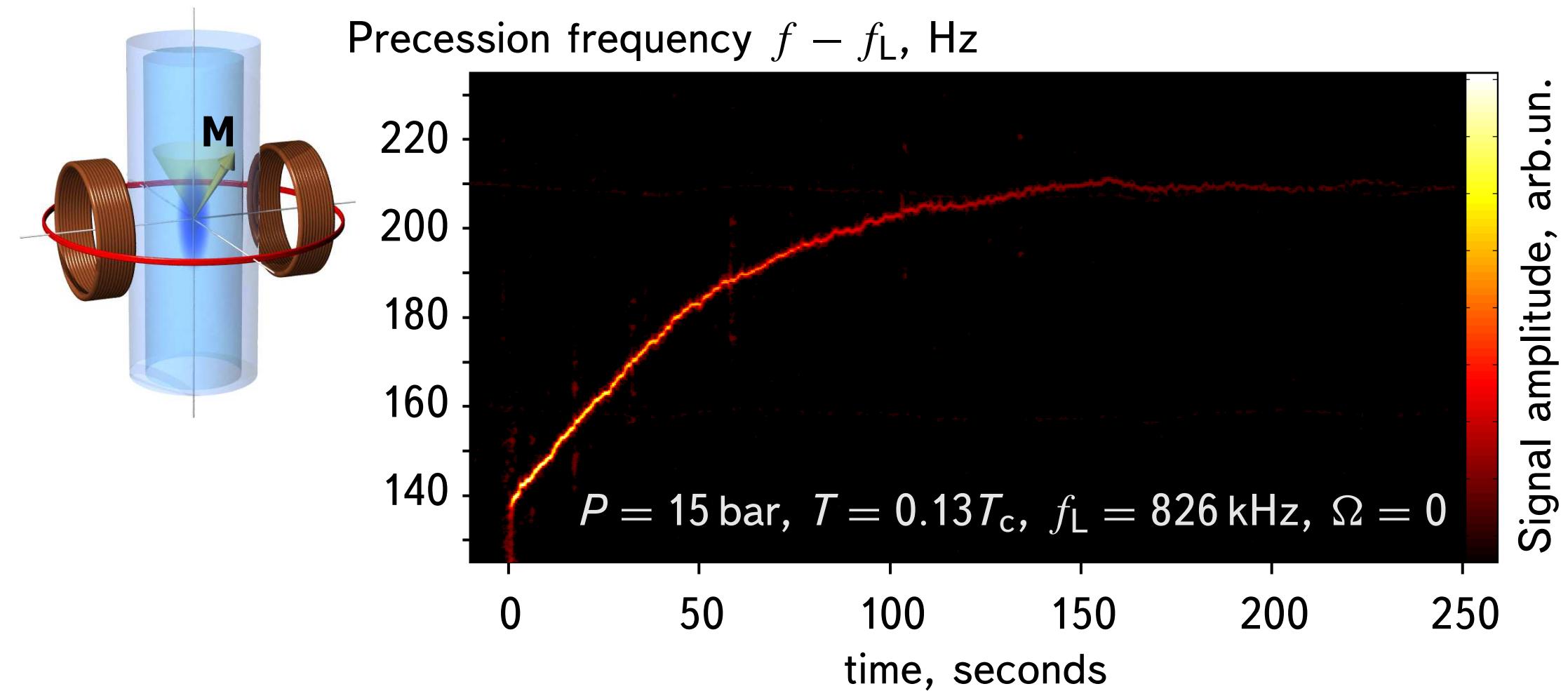
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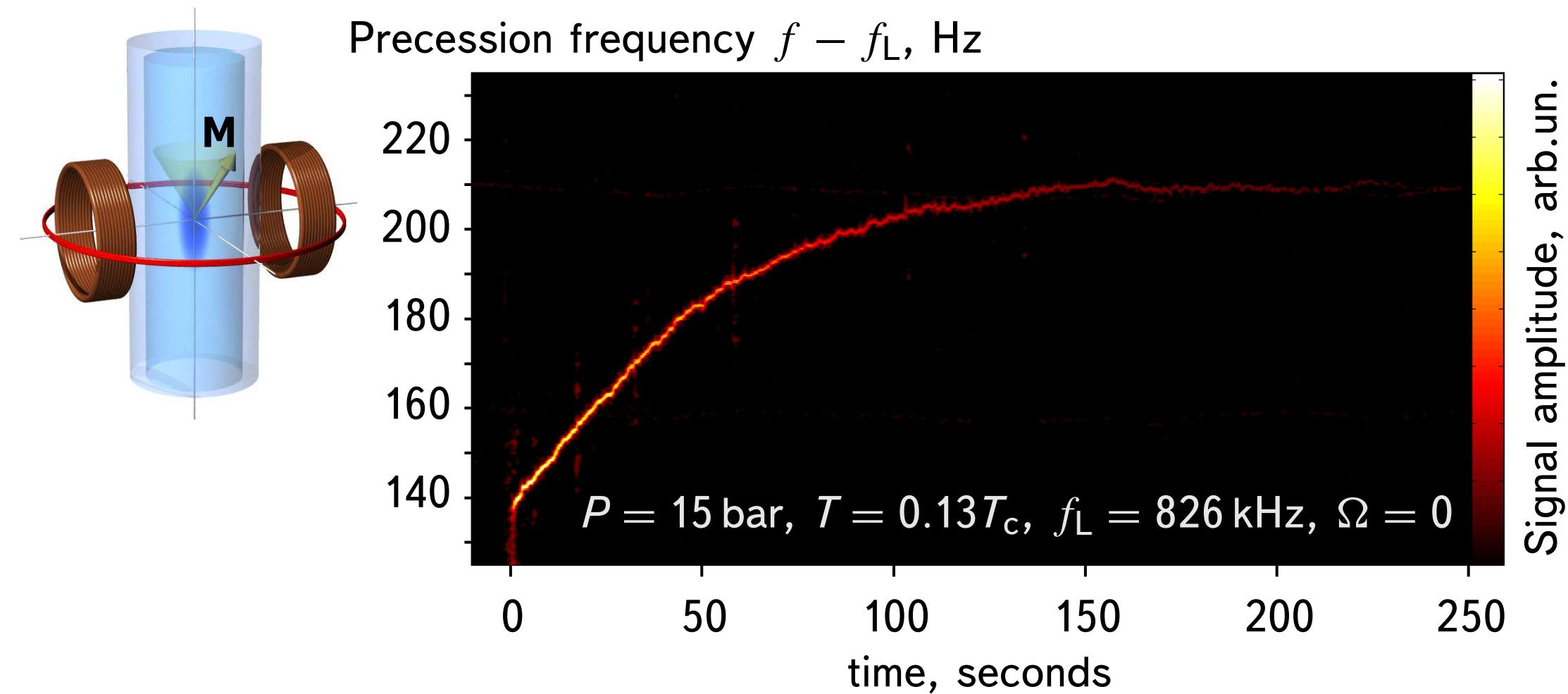
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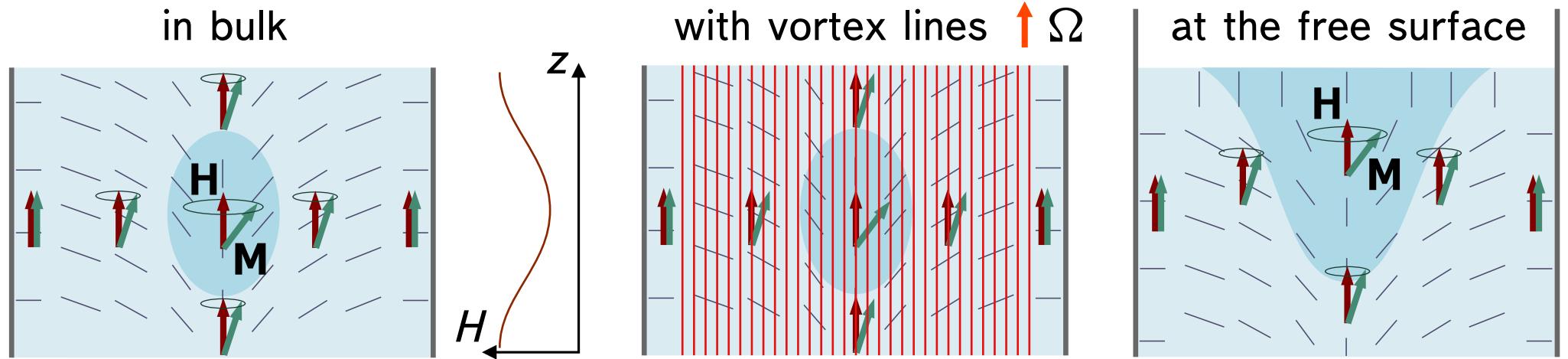
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- Self-modification of the trap.
- Sensitive probe of relaxation sources.

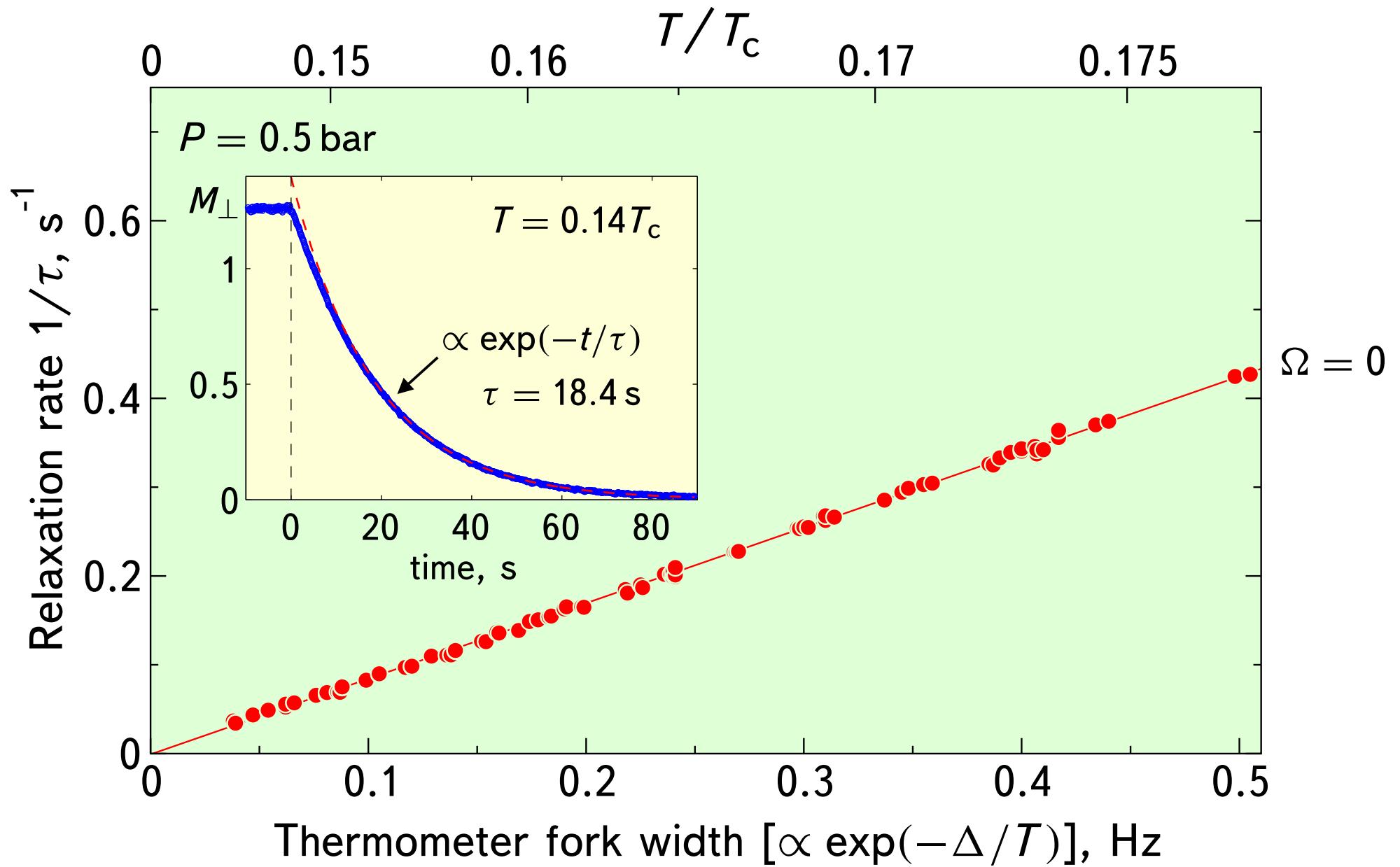
MOTIVATION FOR RELAXATION STUDIES

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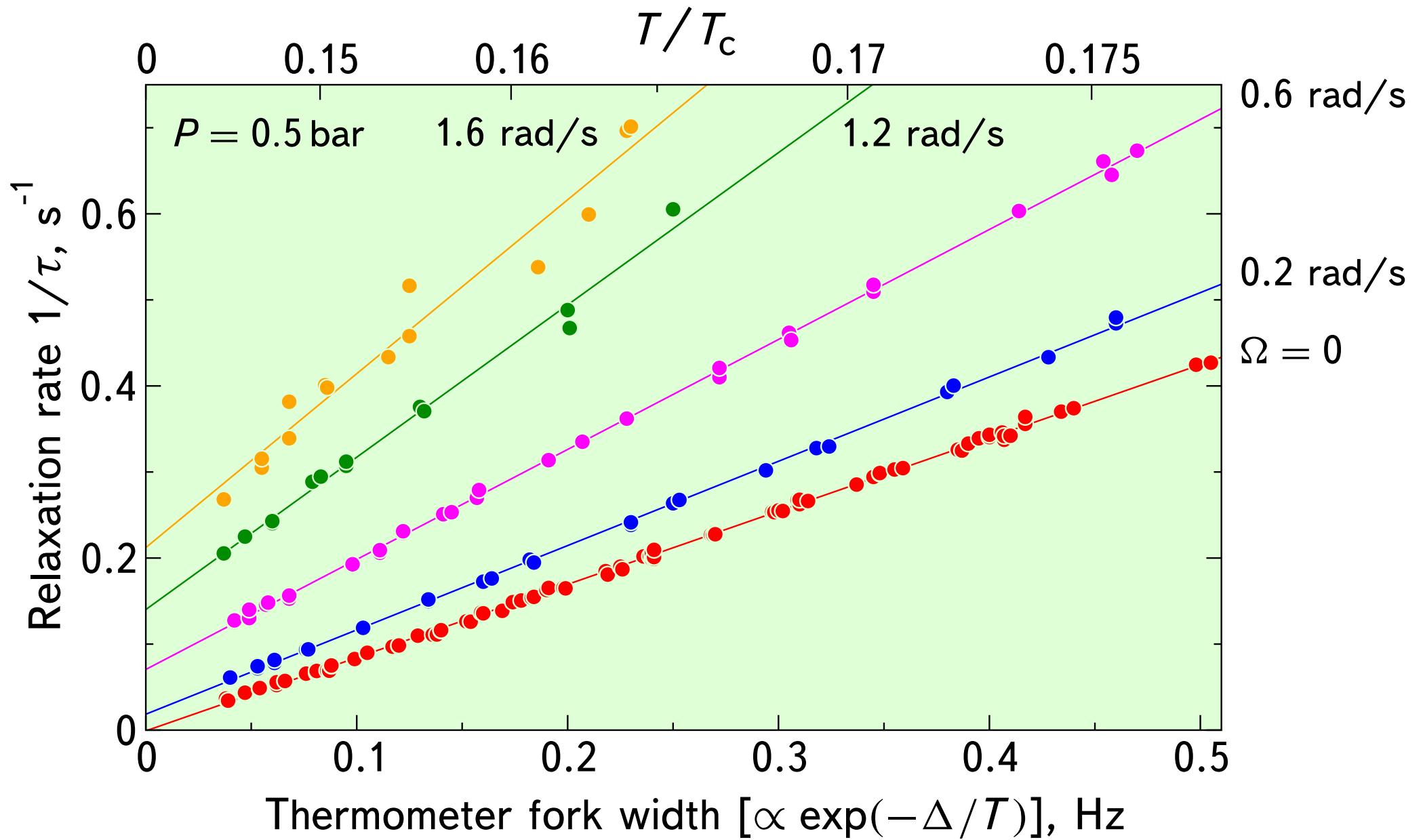
We are looking for the contribution from fermions bound to the surface or the cores of quantized vortices to the relaxation of magnon condensates.

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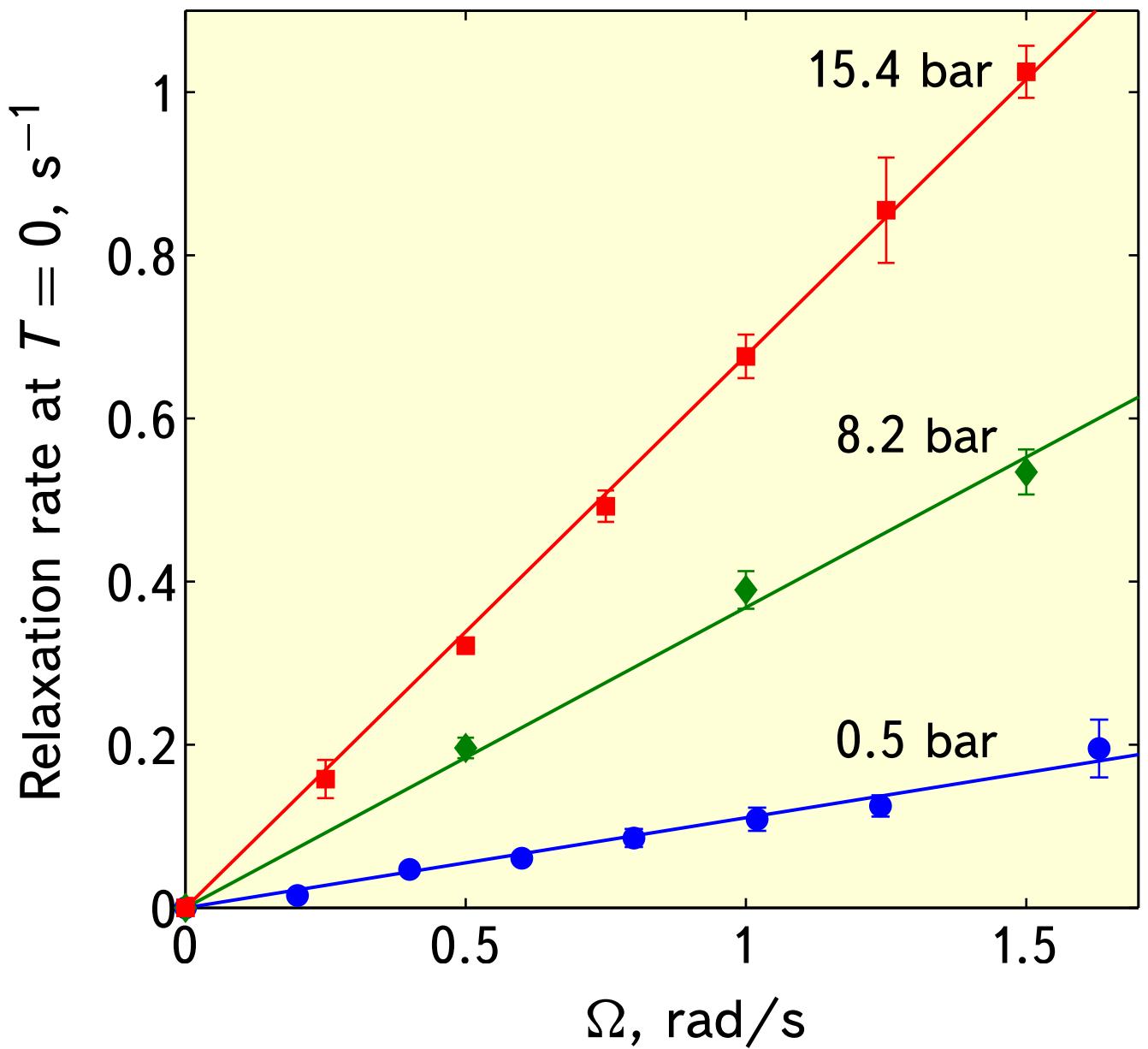
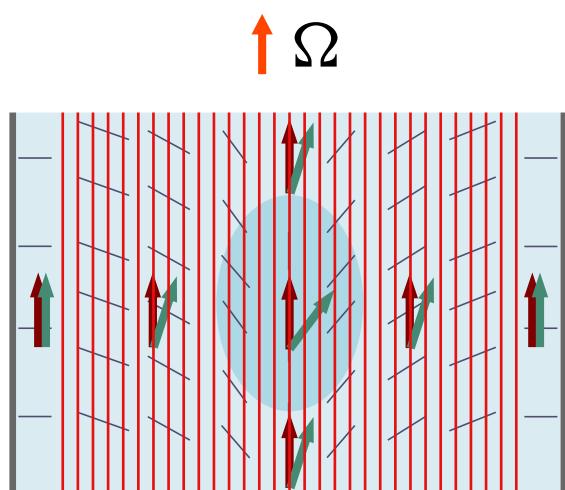
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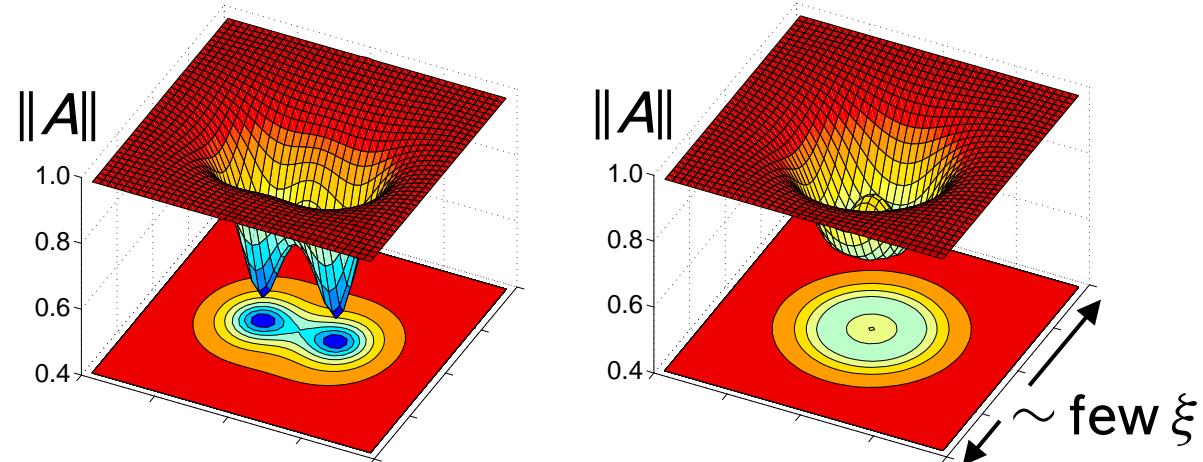
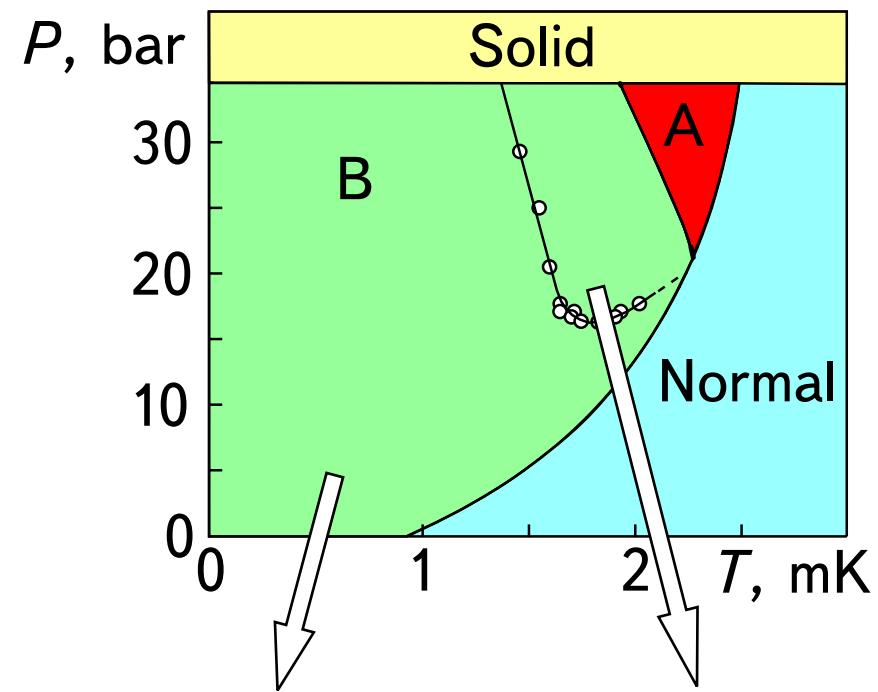
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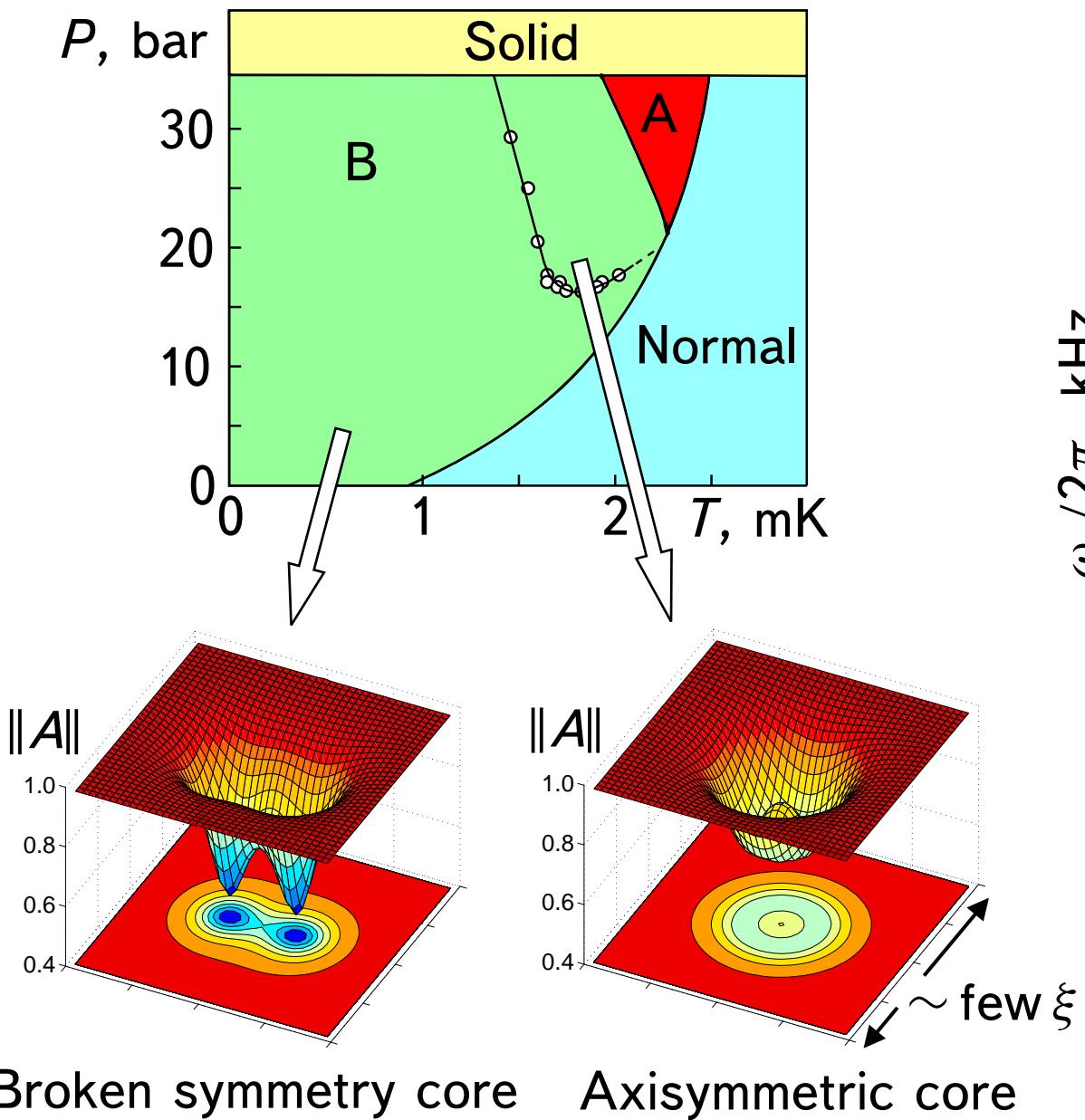
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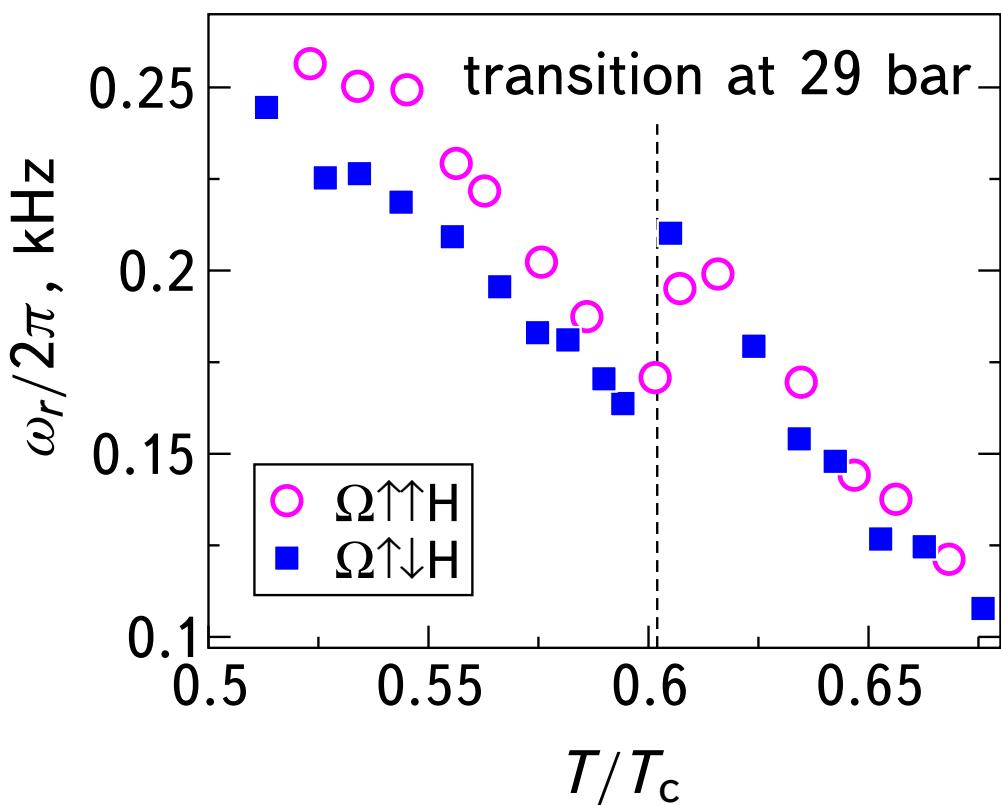
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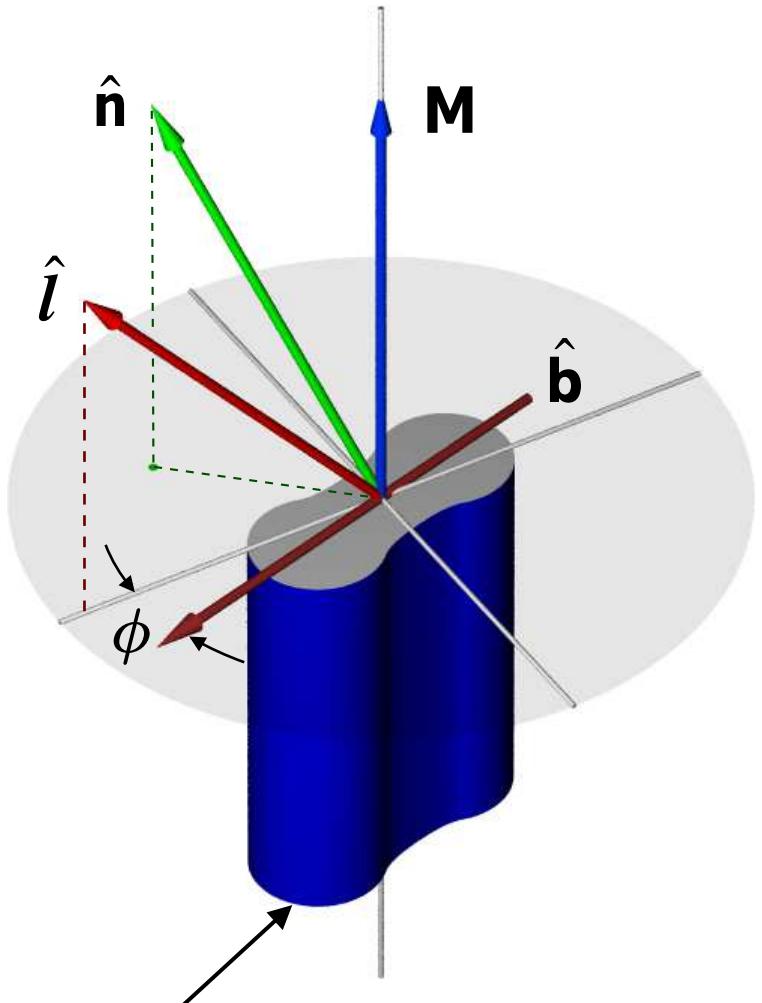
Effect on the textural potential well for magnons:



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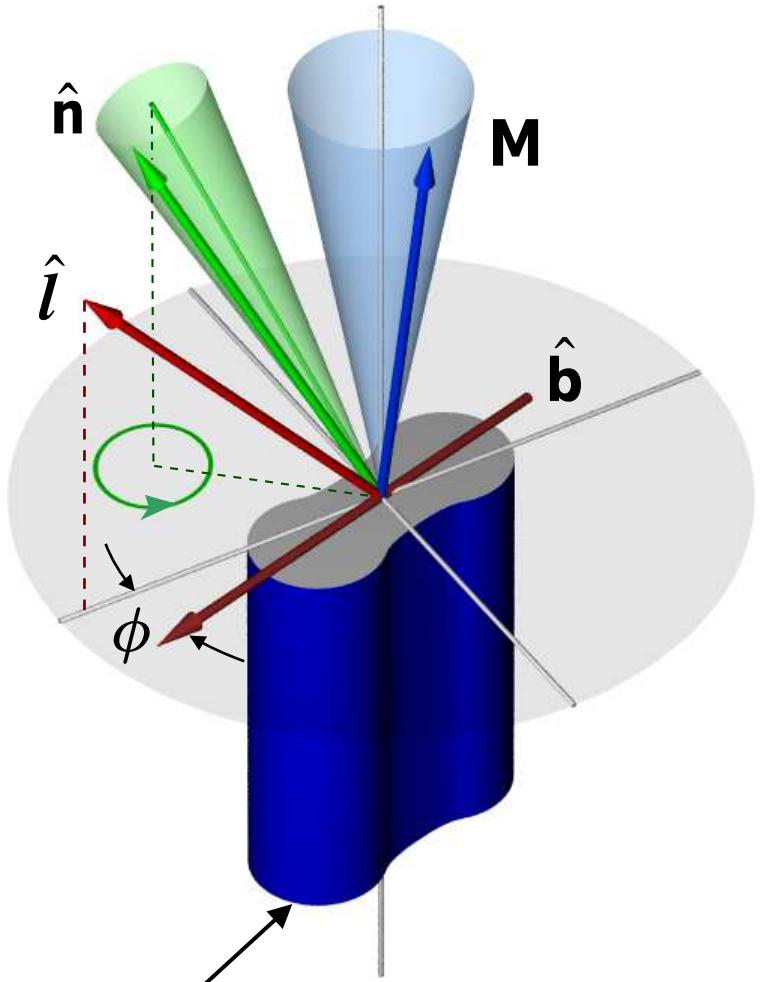
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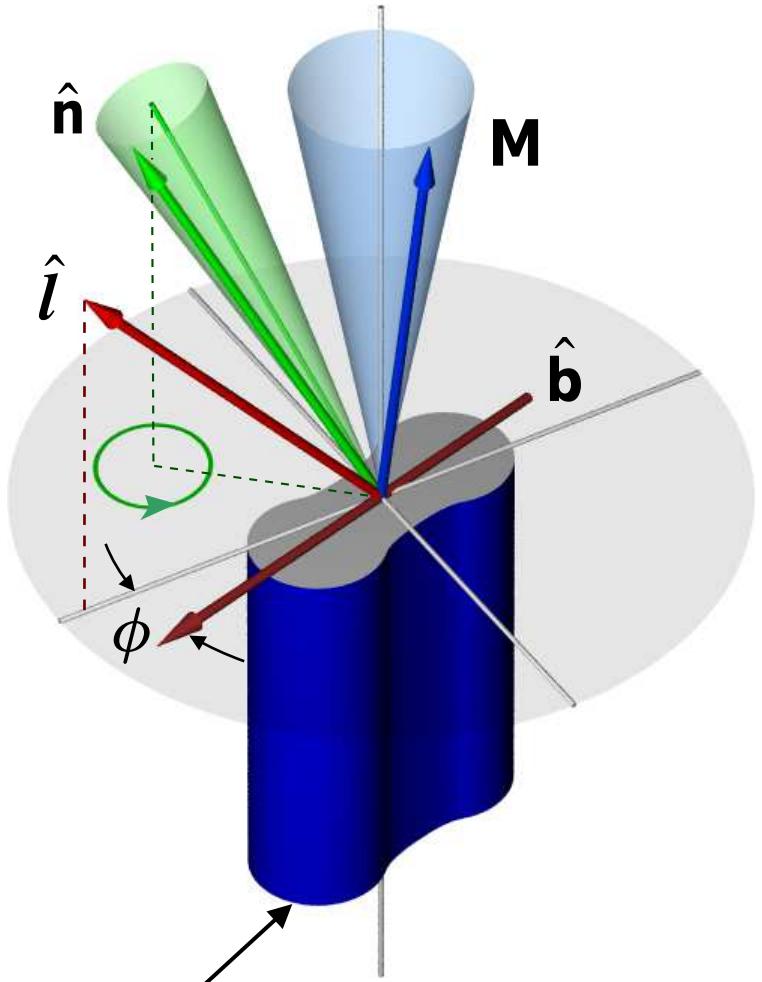
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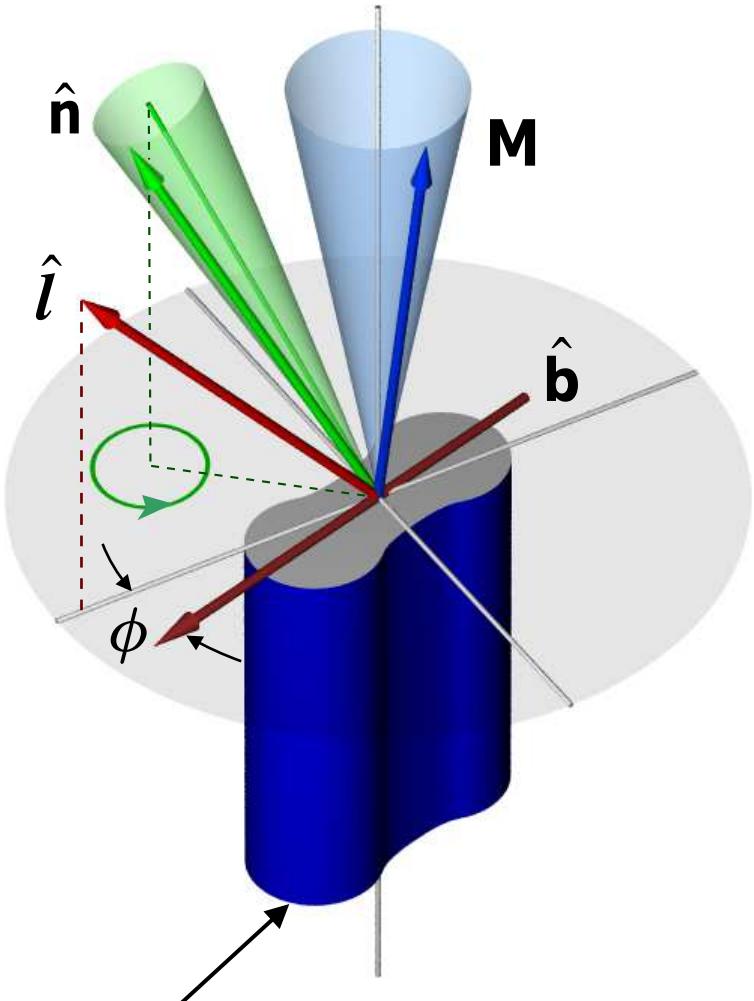
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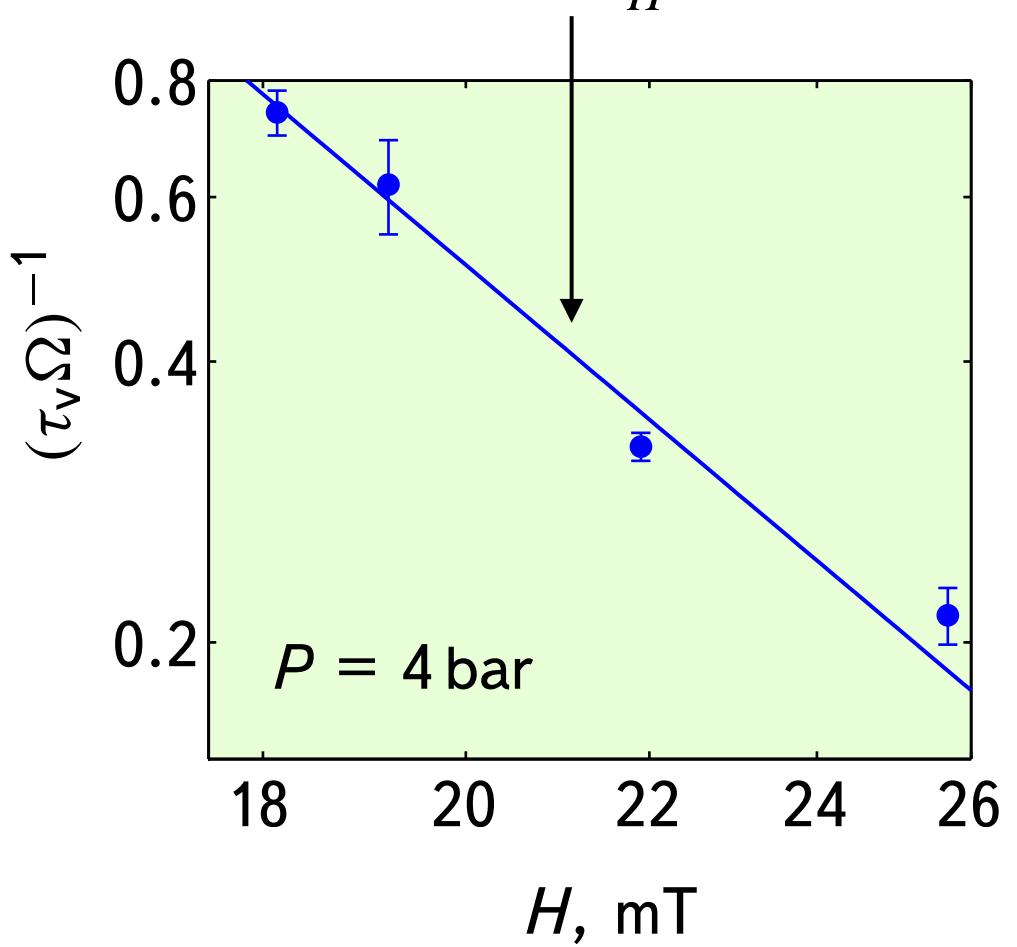
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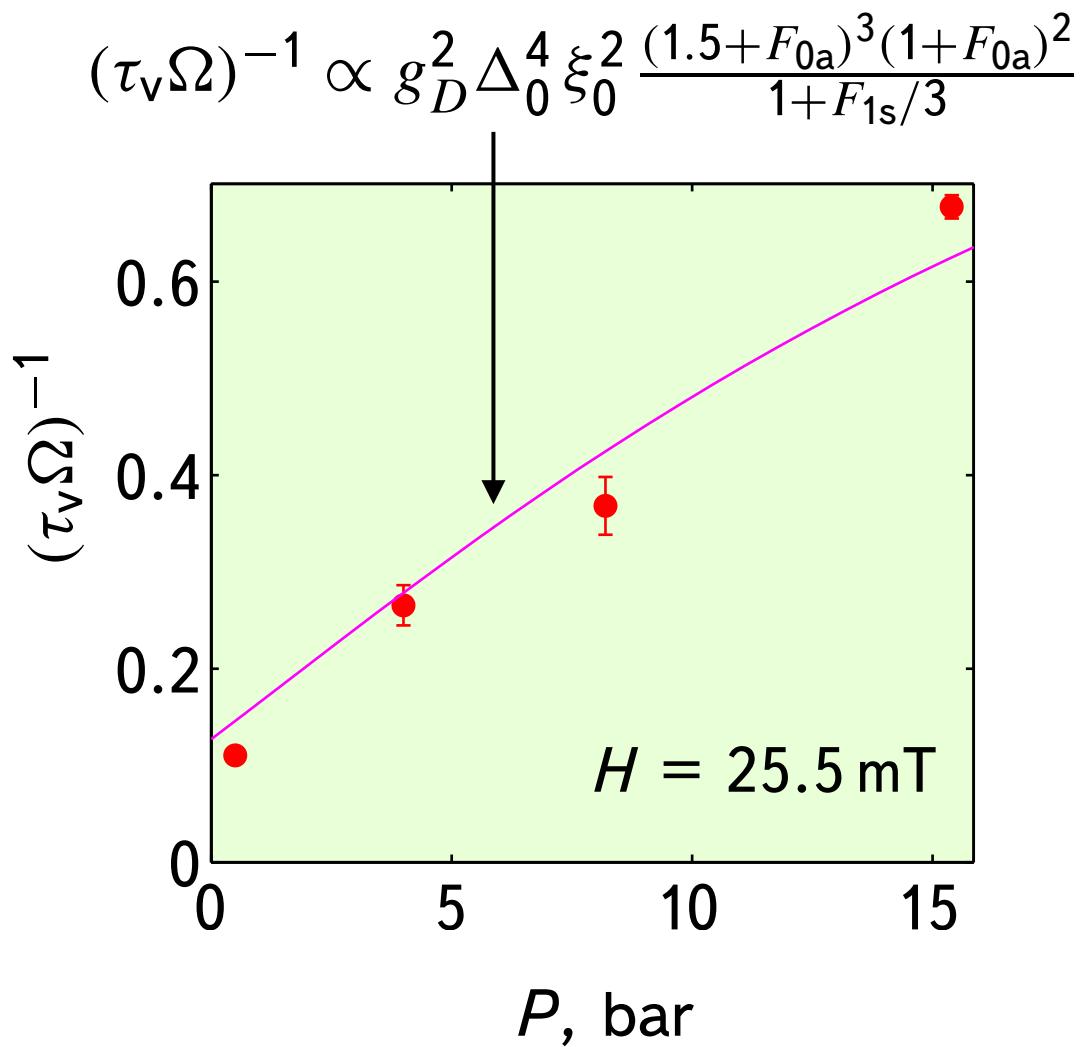
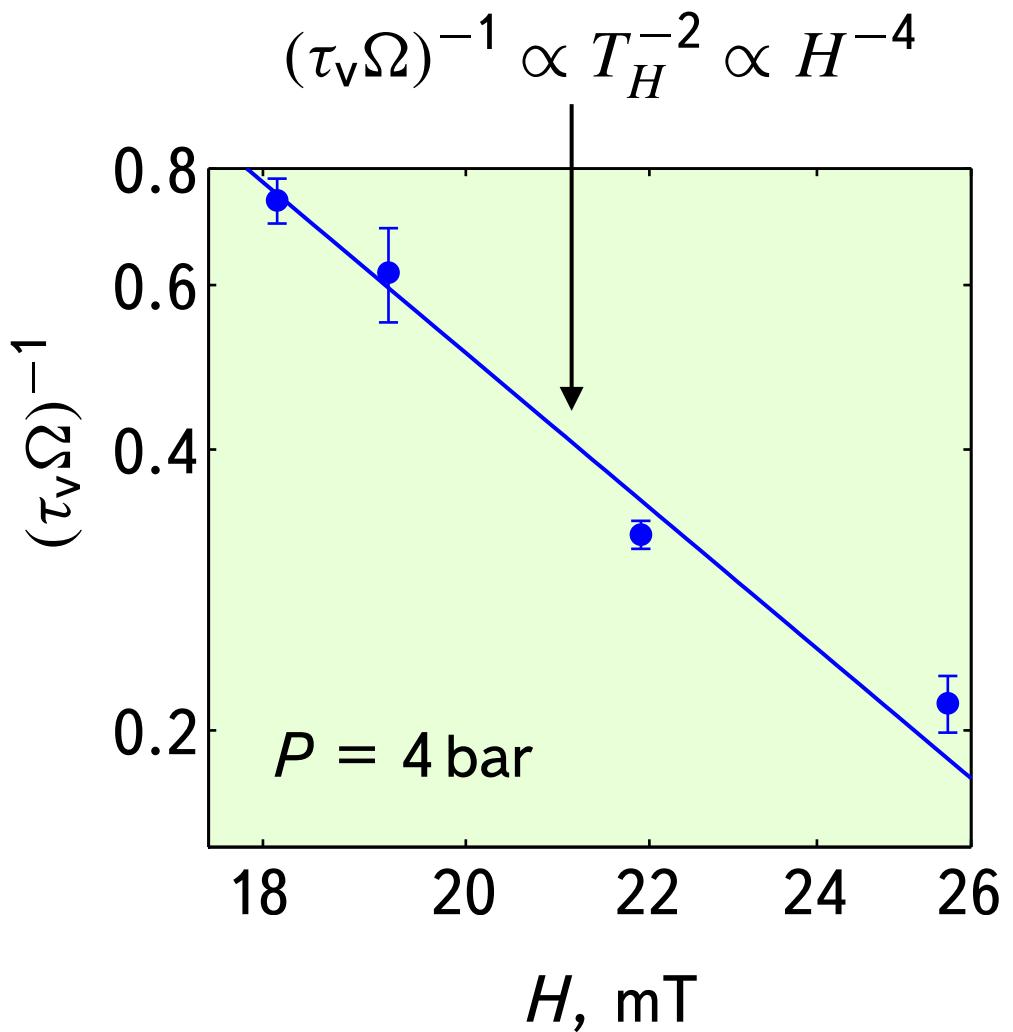


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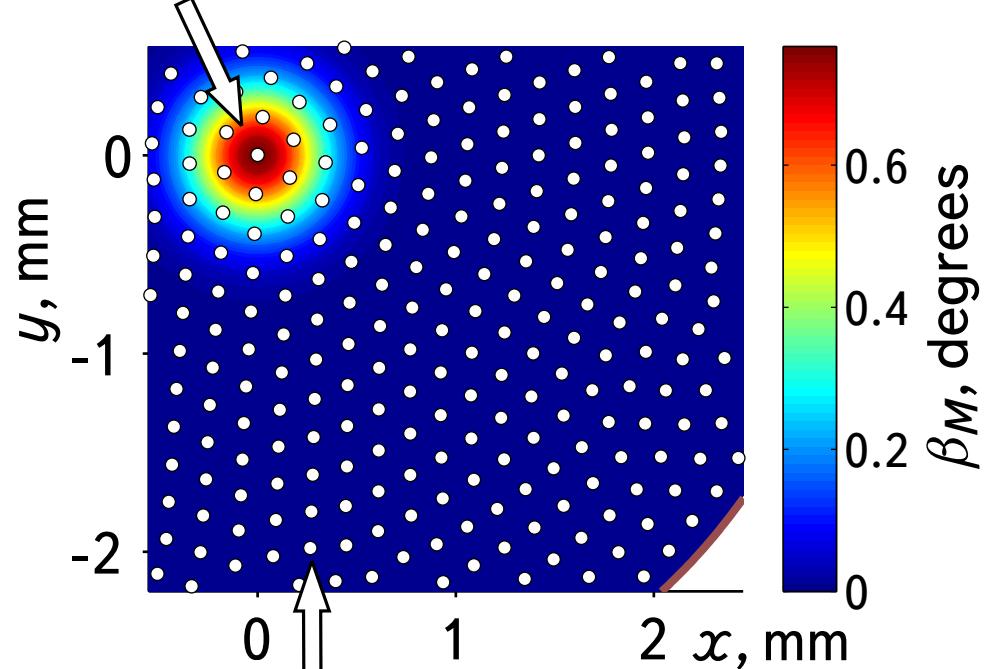
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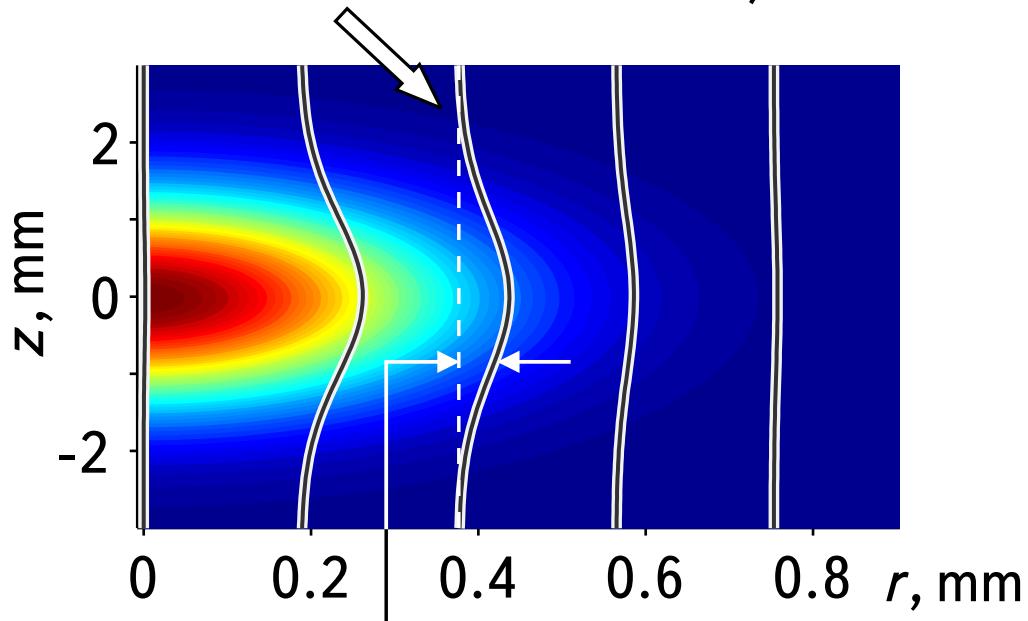


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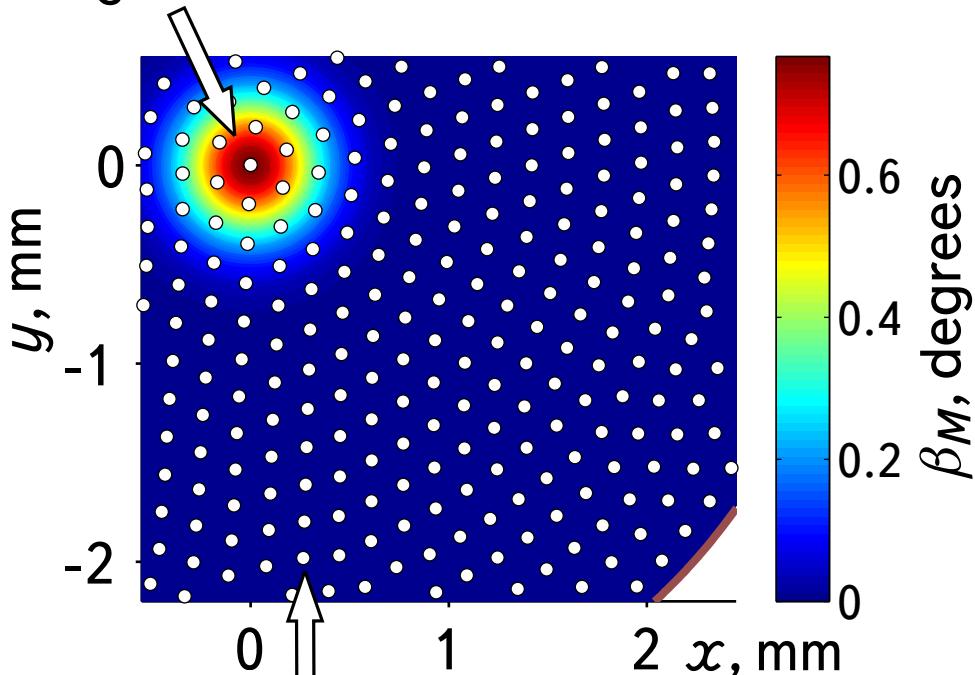
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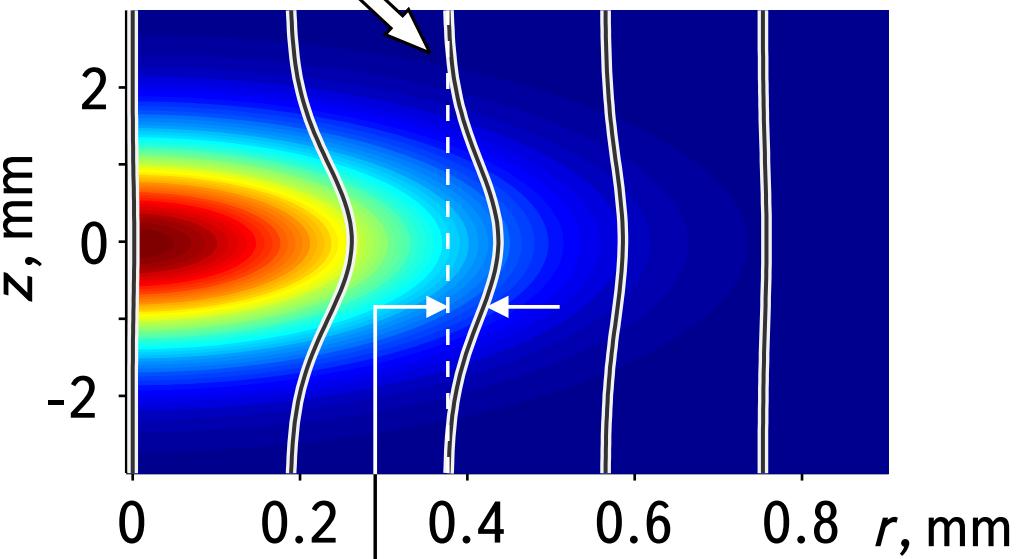
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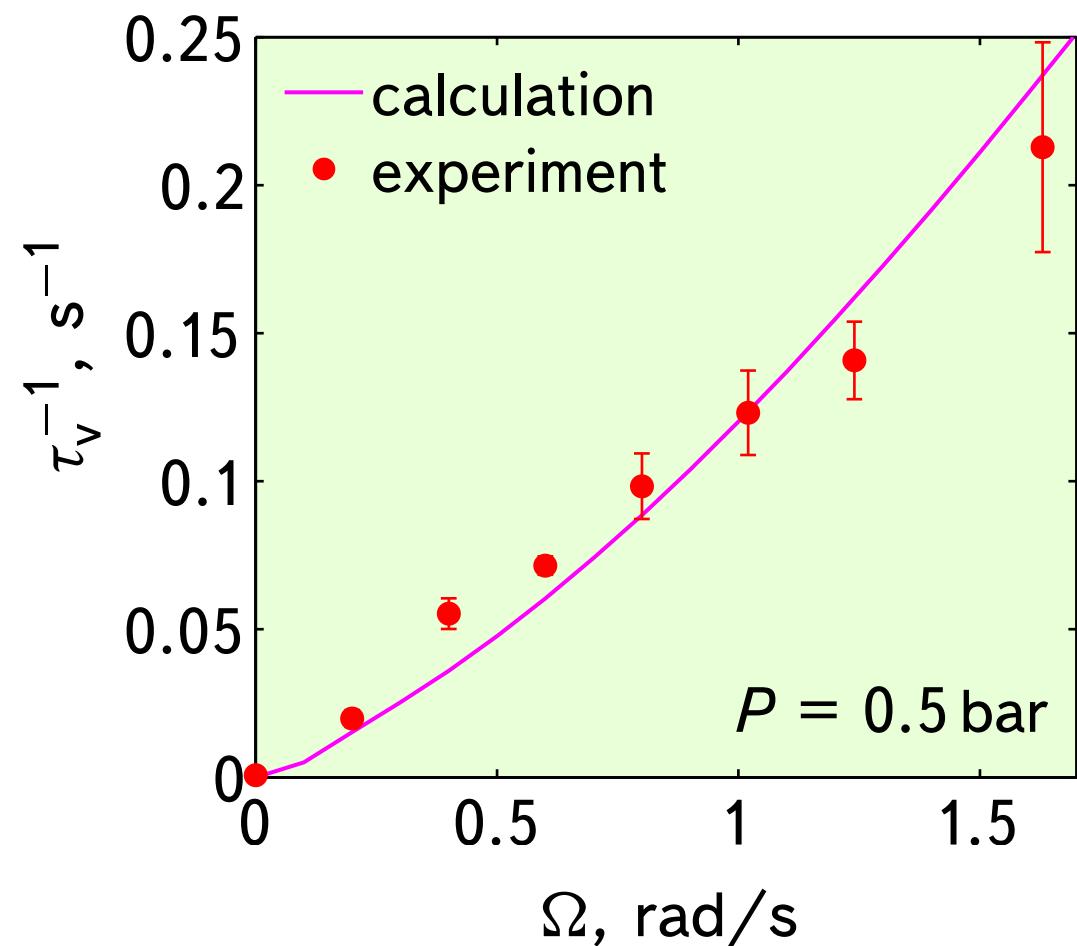
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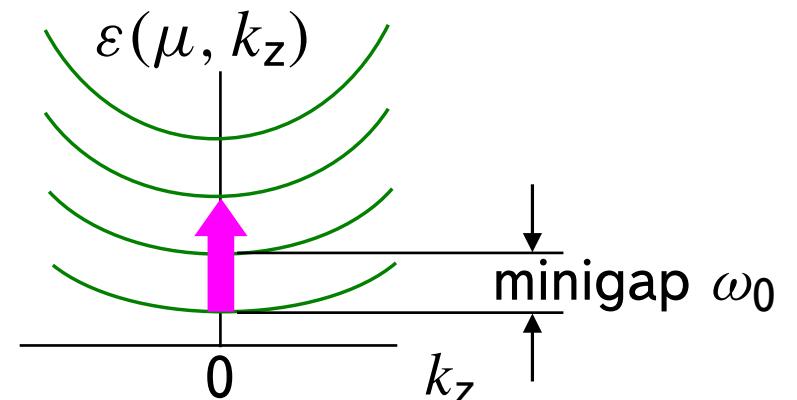


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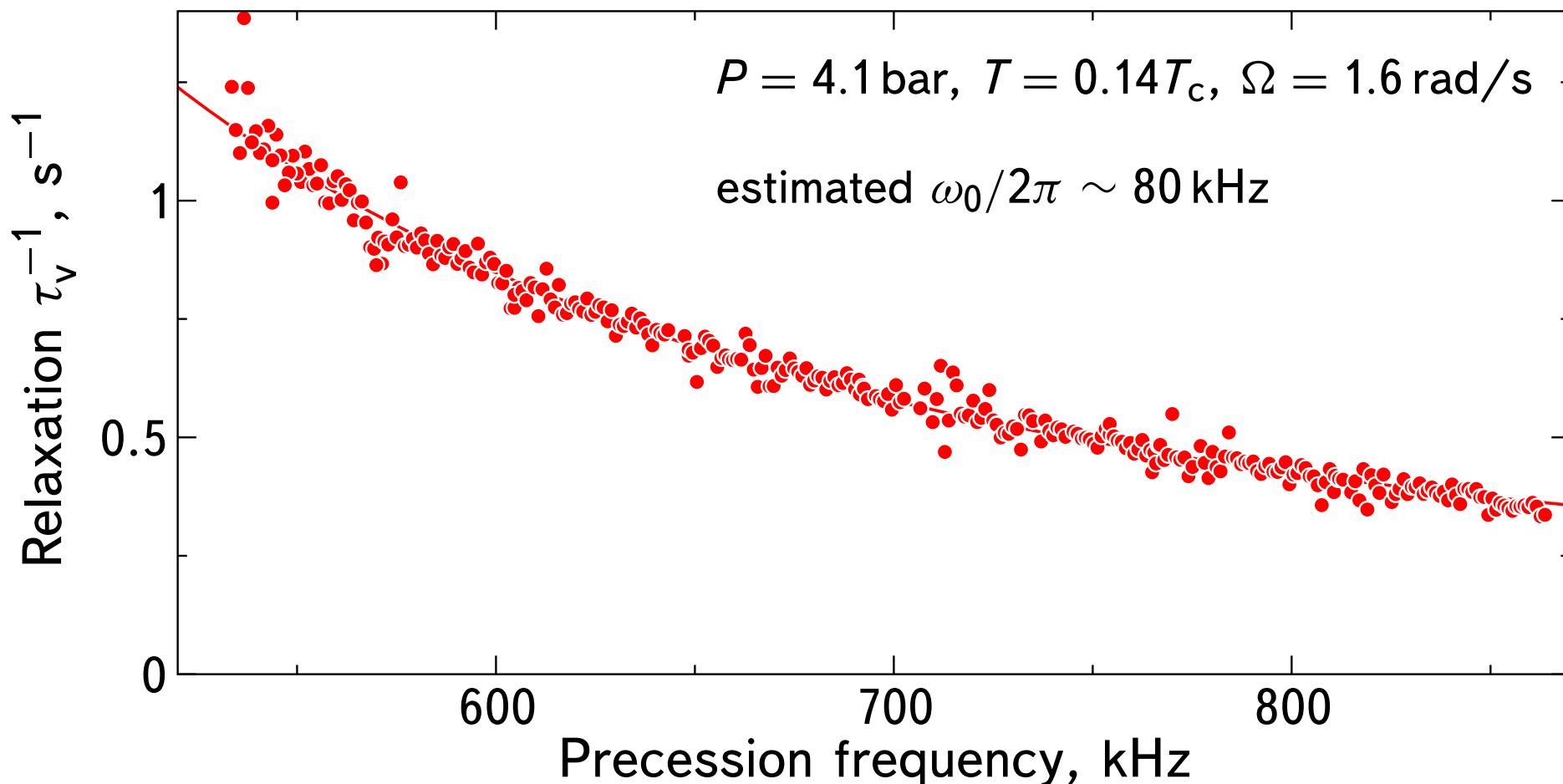
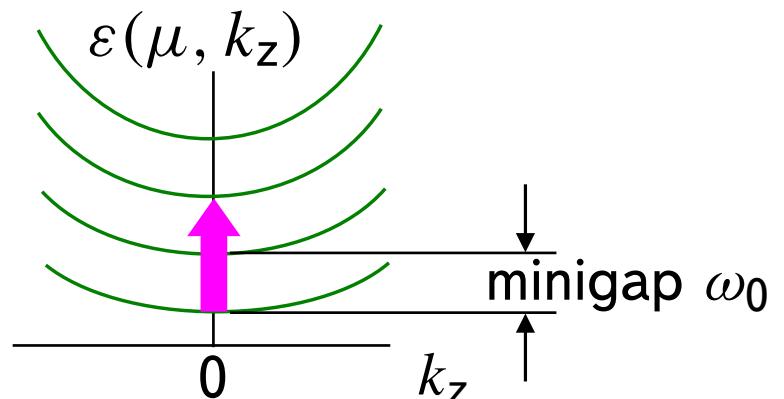


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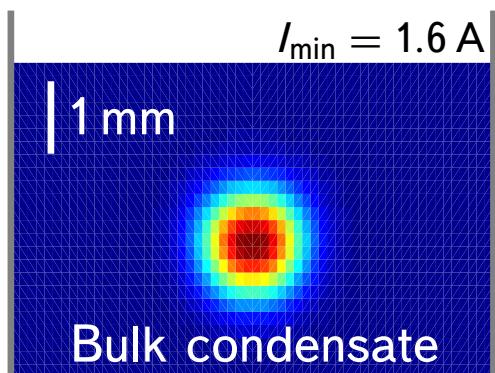
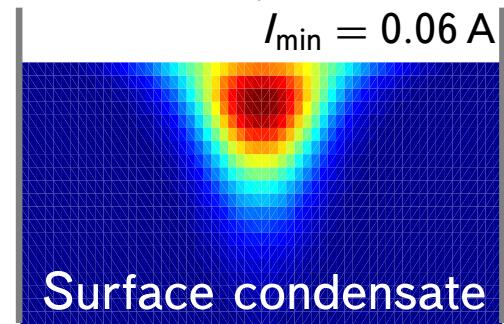
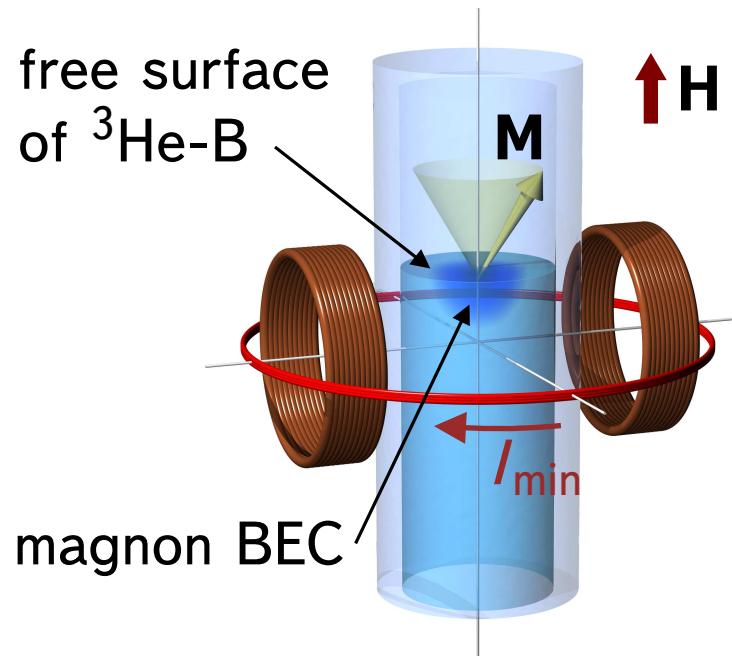
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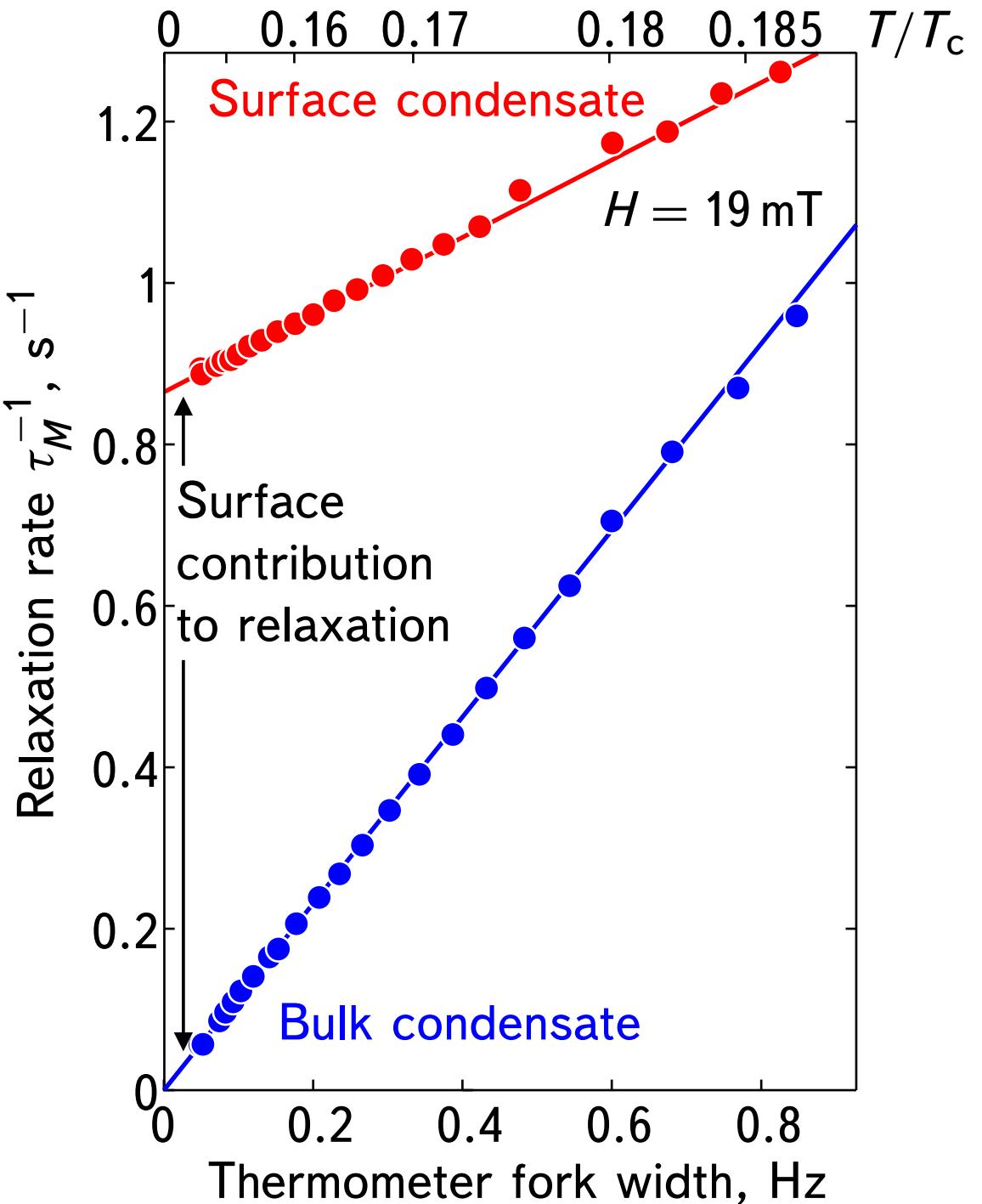
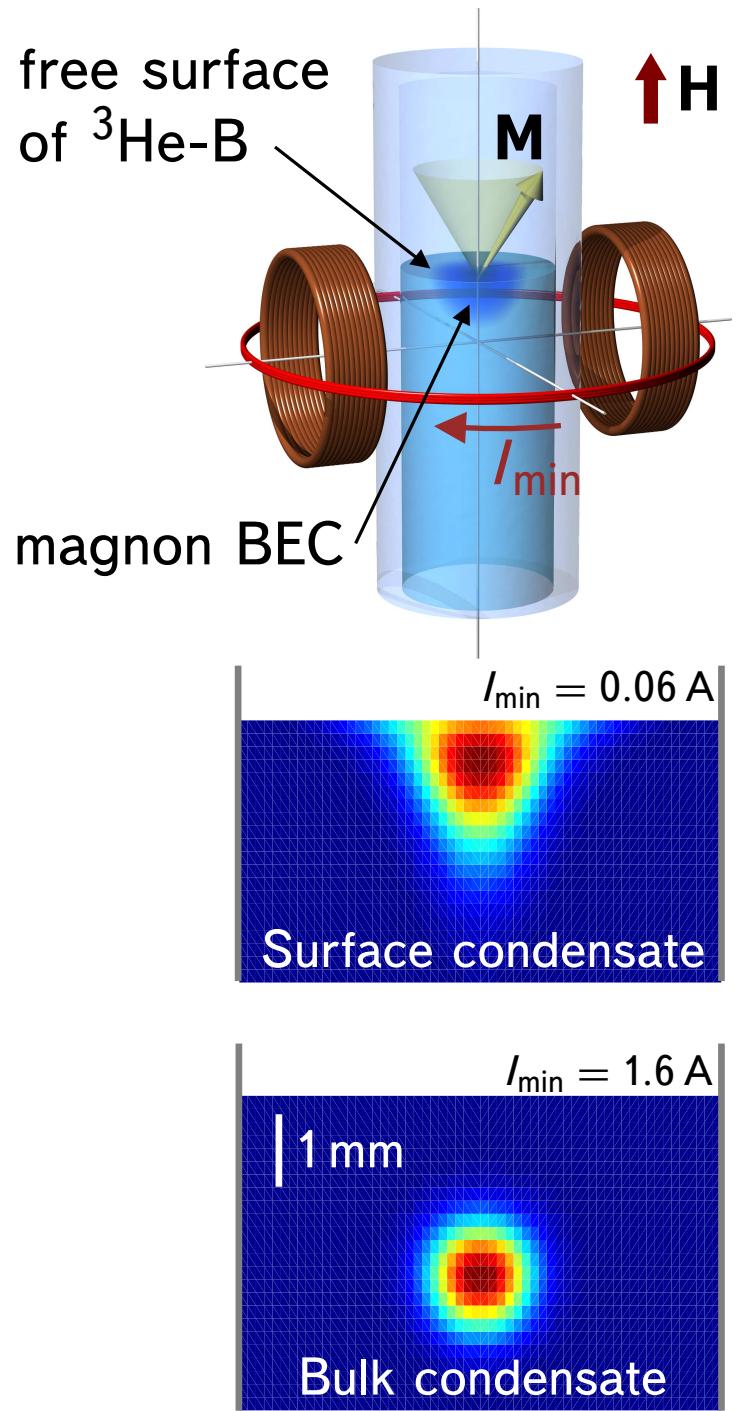
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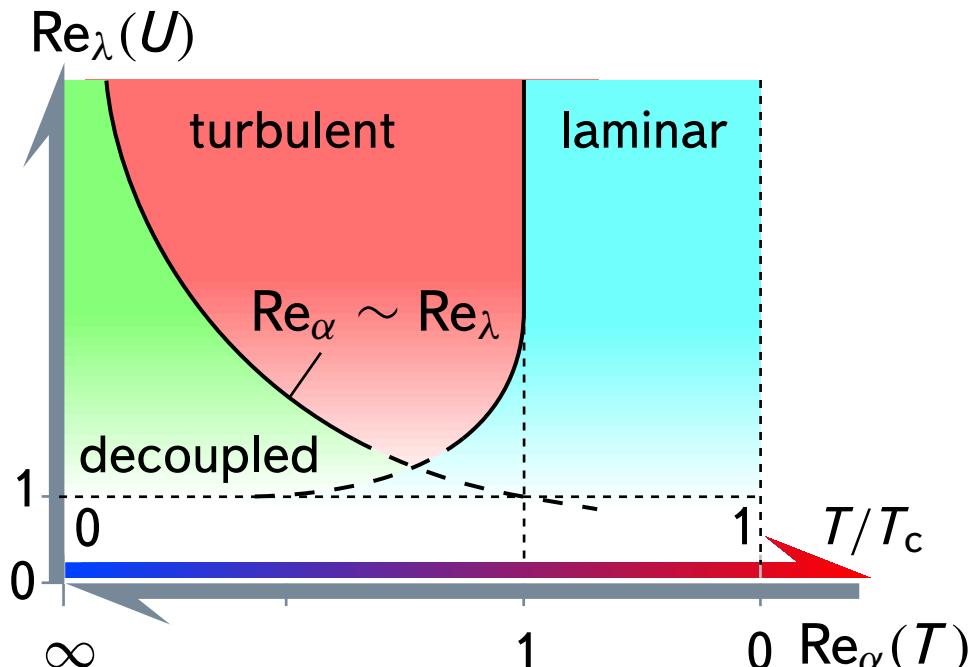
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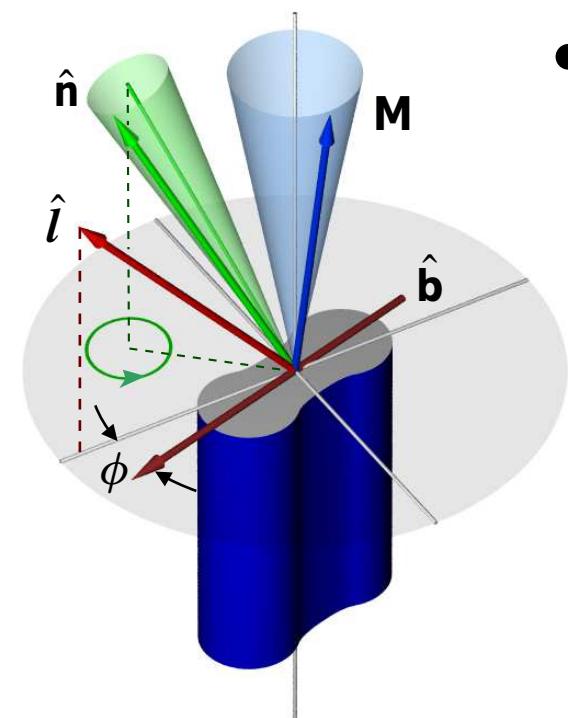
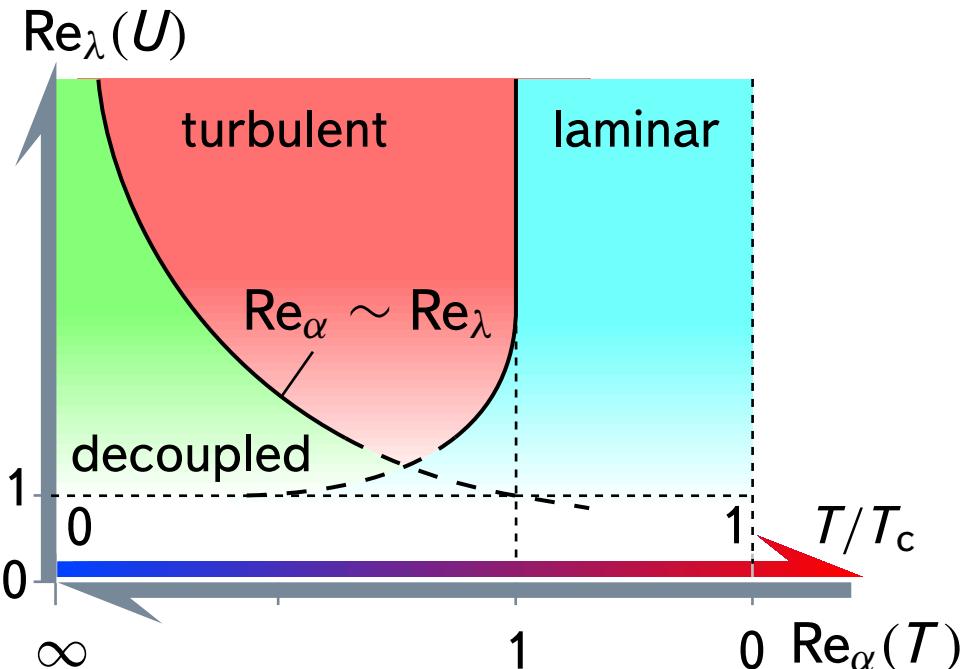
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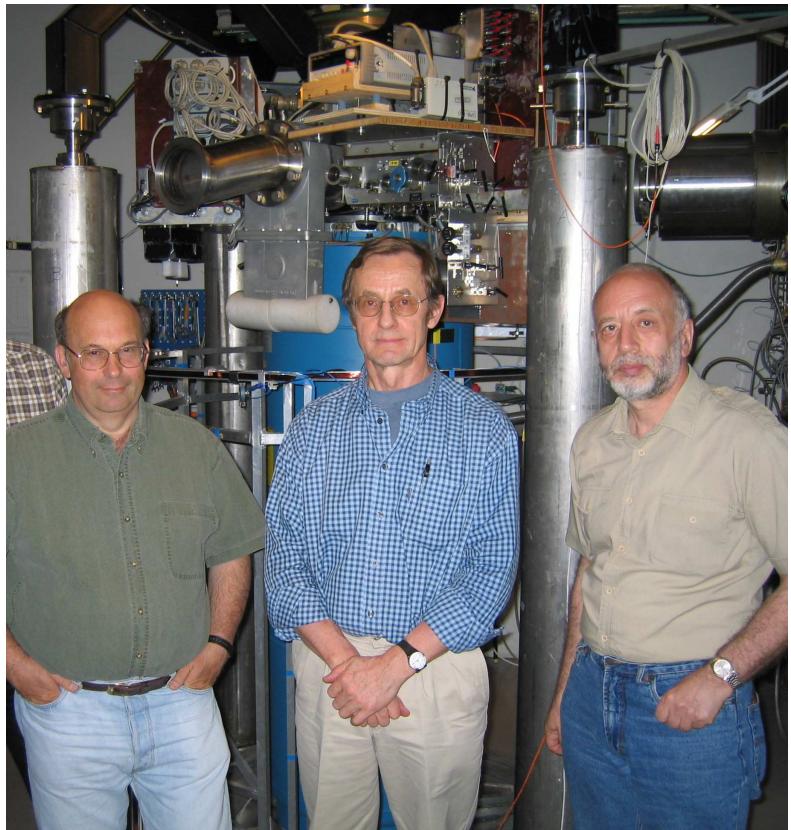


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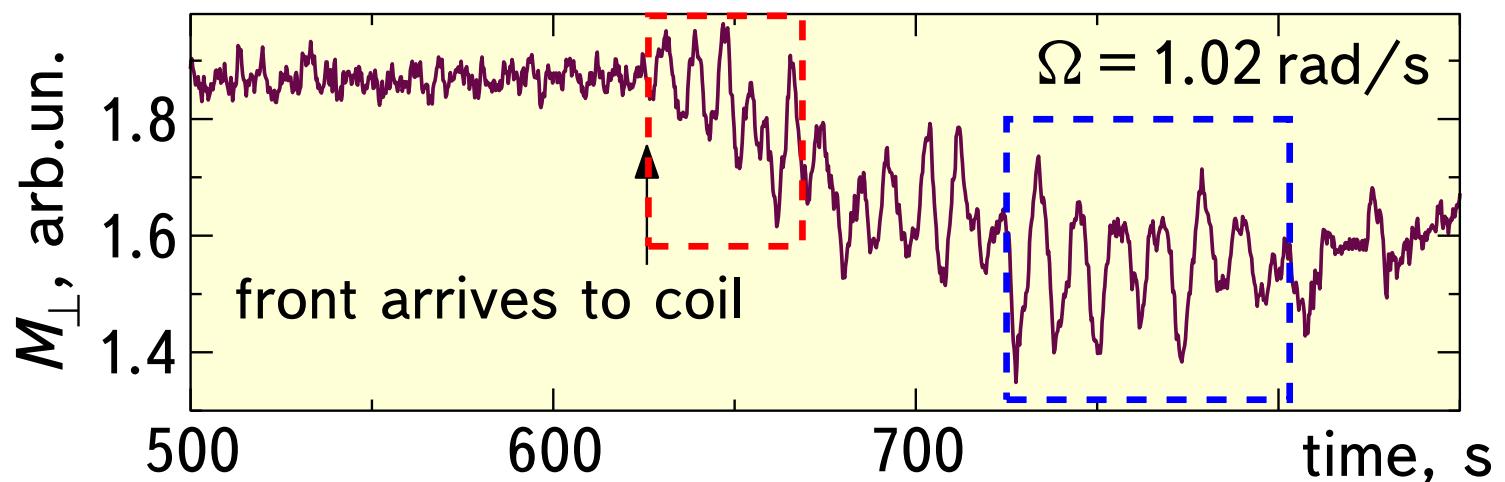
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FRONT ROTATION IN THE EXPERIMENT



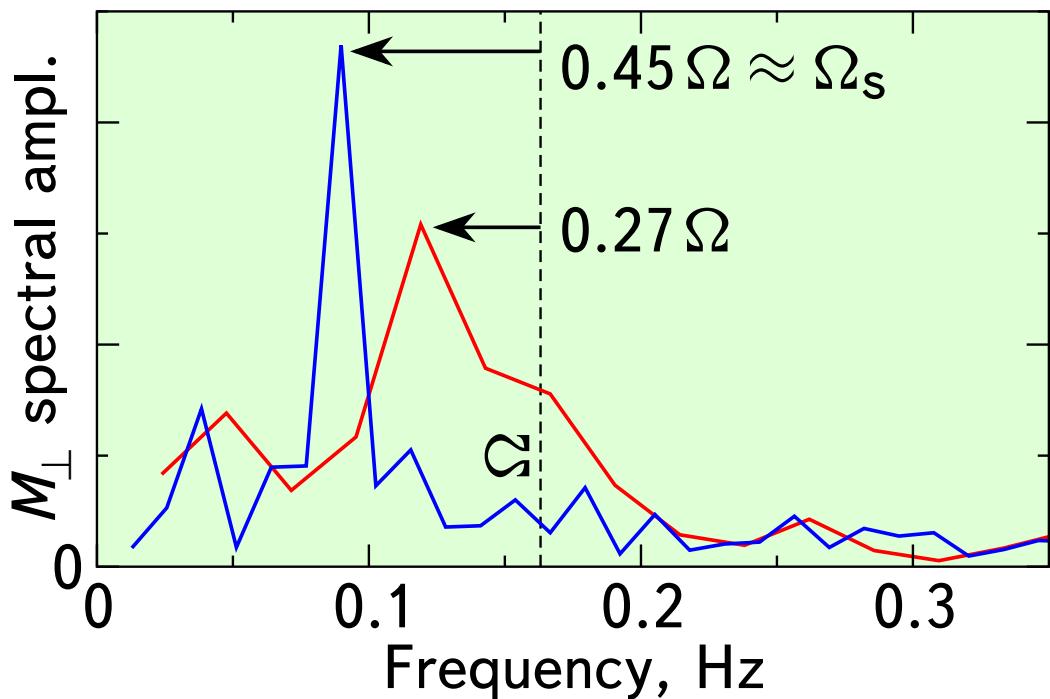
Vortex arrangement is not axially symmetric and rotates
⇒ NMR signal is periodically modified.



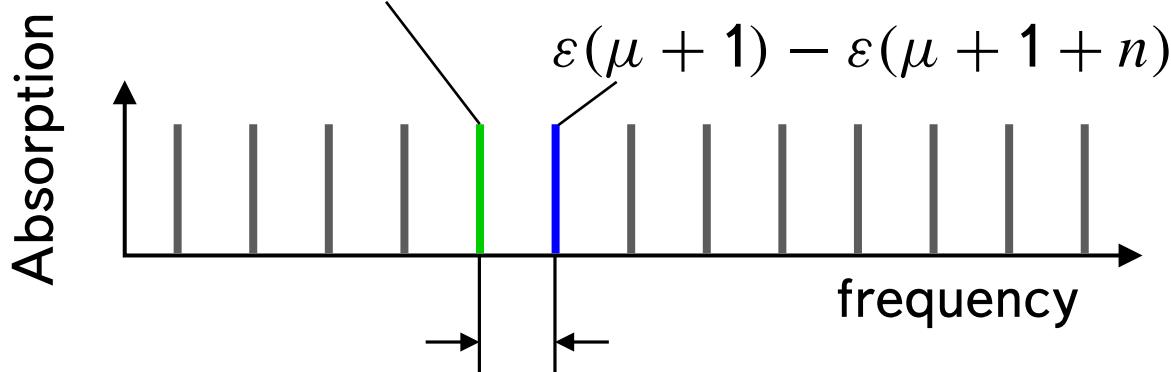
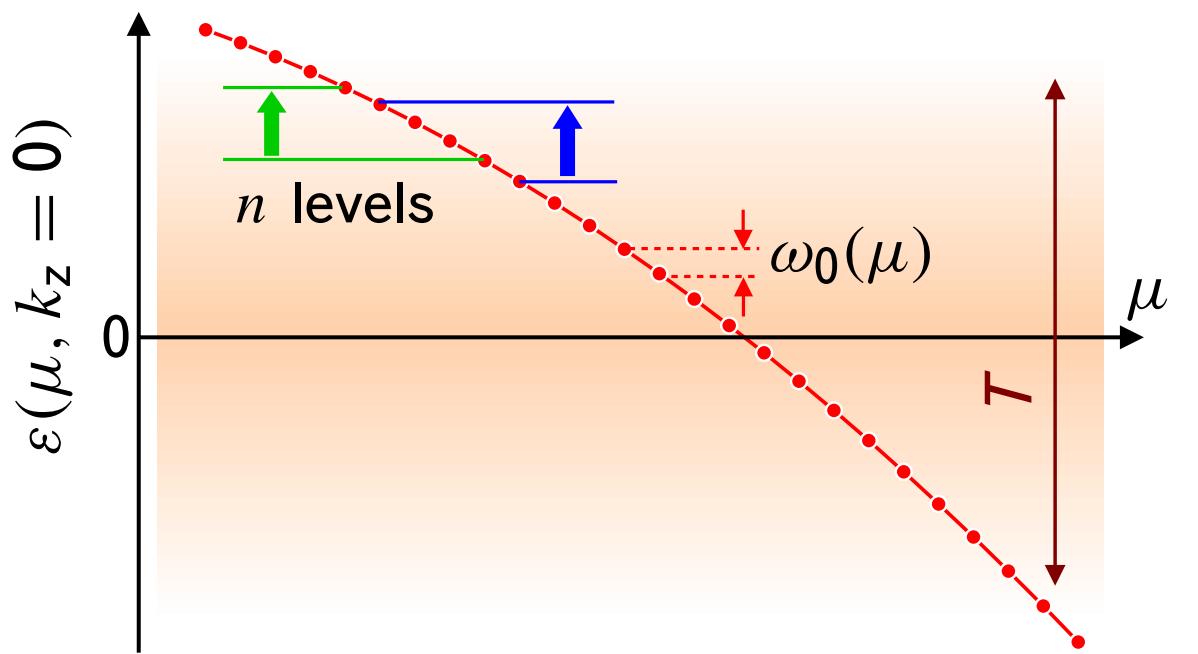
Precession in simulations:

cluster: $\approx \Omega_s$

front: $\approx 0.65\Omega_s$



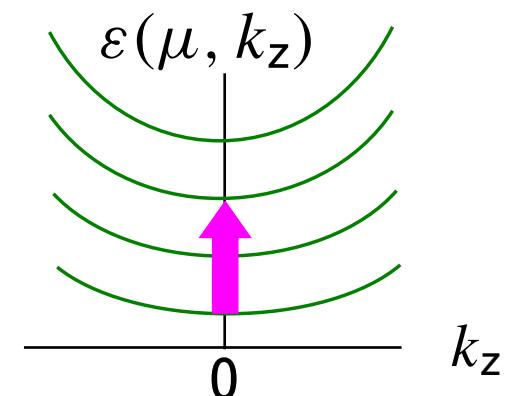
FREQUENCY COMB FROM THE CORE-BOUND FERMIONS



$$\omega_{\text{comb}} = n \left| \frac{d\omega_0}{d\mu} \right| = \frac{\omega}{\omega_0} \left| \frac{d\omega_0}{d\mu} \right| \ll \omega_0$$

Peak width $1/\tau$: $(\omega_0 \tau)^{-1} \sim$ mutual friction α .

Absorption peaks at $k_z = 0$



+ non-linearity in $\varepsilon(\mu) \Rightarrow$
frequency comb

Possibility for observation:

$$\omega_0 \sim 100 \text{ kHz}, \omega \sim 1 \text{ MHz}$$

$$\omega_{\text{comb}} \sim \frac{\omega}{\xi_0 k_F} \sim 1 \text{ kHz}$$

$$\alpha < 10^{-3}, 1/\tau < 100 \text{ Hz}$$

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