

Muon Spin Rotation/Relaxation/Resonance (μ SR)

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What is muon?

Material research by using positive muon

Property of Muon

Elementary particle Lepton same family with electron $\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ + \nu_\mu$

Charge: $-e$ (μ^-), $+e$ (μ^+) $\leftrightarrow$ Neutron

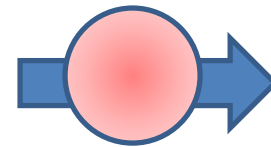
Mass: $m_\mu = 105.658 \text{ MeV}/c^2$

$= 207 m_e$

Heavy Positron (Electron)

$= 1/9 m_p$

Light Proton



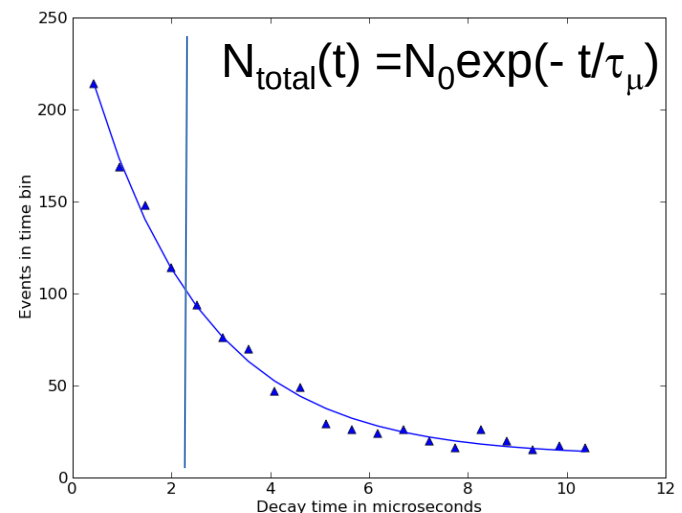
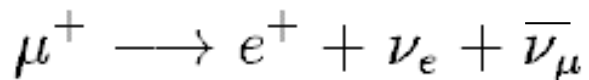
Spin : $s = \frac{1}{2}$

Magnetic moment: $\mu_\mu = 3.18 \mu_p$

Gyromagnetic ratio: $\gamma_\mu = 2\pi \times 13.55 \text{ kHz/G}$

Rotate 35 degree in $10 \mu\text{s}$ under 1G

Mean Life time: $\tau_\mu = 2.19714 \mu\text{s}$



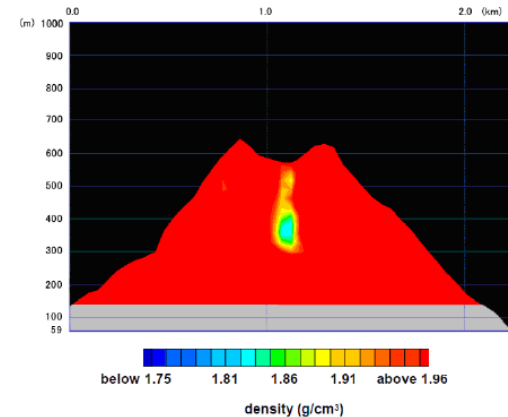
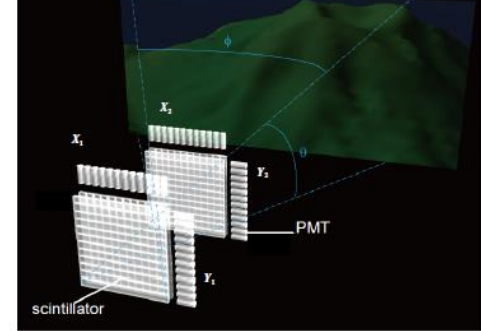
Cosmic-ray muon

Very High energy,

Low flux,

Highly energy distribution

→ Difficult to investigate a material
Taking Several weeks/one data
Huge amount of sample



*Tanaka et al.,
Earth Planets Space, 62, 119–129, 2010*

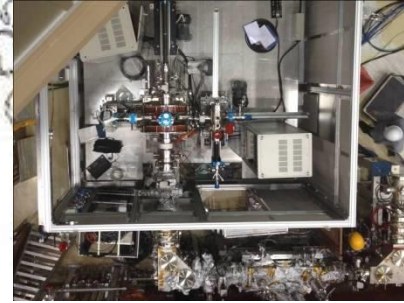
Usually μ SR measurement use 10^6 - 10^9 muons/1data to obtain enough accuracy

→ Accelerator is definitely required (ex J-PARC 10^7 muons/s)

μ SR (Muon Spin Rotation/Relaxation/Resonance)

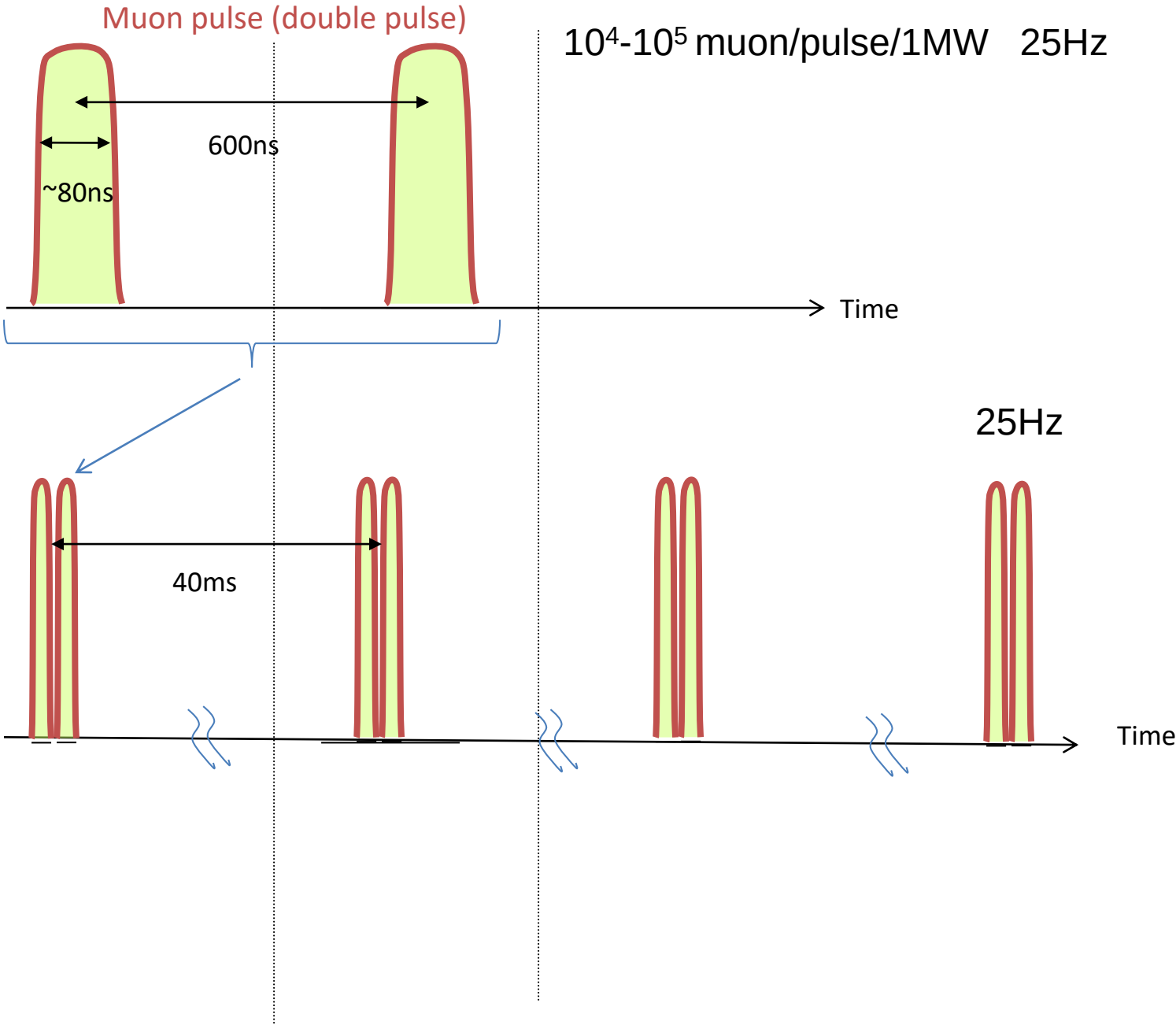
Microscopic measurement $\leftrightarrow$ Bulk measurement (Resistivity, Specific heat etc)

Muon Facilities



	Place	Beam structure	Proton beam energy (MeV)	Proton beam current (μA)	Maximu Muon intensity
TRIUMF	Canada	Continuous	500	150	10^5
RAL (UK, RIKEN)	UK	Pulse	800	300	2×10^5
PSI	Switzerland	Continuous	590	2200	10^8
J-PARC	Japan (Tokai)	Pulse	3000	333	10^8
MuSIC	Japan (Osaka)	Continuous	400	1	10^8

Muon Beam at J-PARC



DC(Cyclotron MuSIC) and Pulse(Synchrotron J-PARC)

Pulse

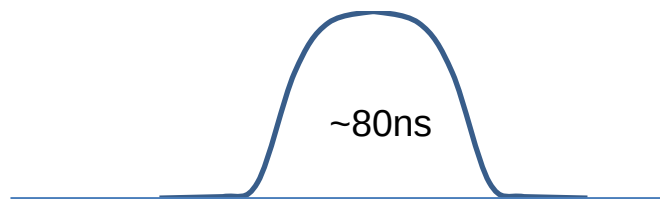
Really high intensity muon is obtained.

Synchronized to pulse (Laser, photo, E-field, B-field,,,))

Muon Pulse width 80ns

Rotation time at 0.1T 70ns/1turn

→ High frequency rotation averaged out



Continuous beam 10^4 - 10^5 muon/pulse/1MW 25Hz

time resolution → sub-ps order

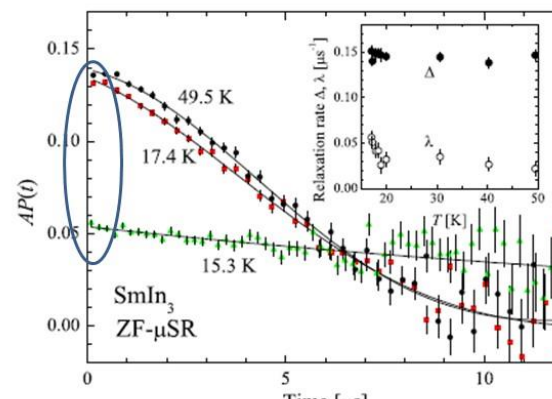
Fast muon spin depolarization

High frequency(field) muon spin rotation are observable.

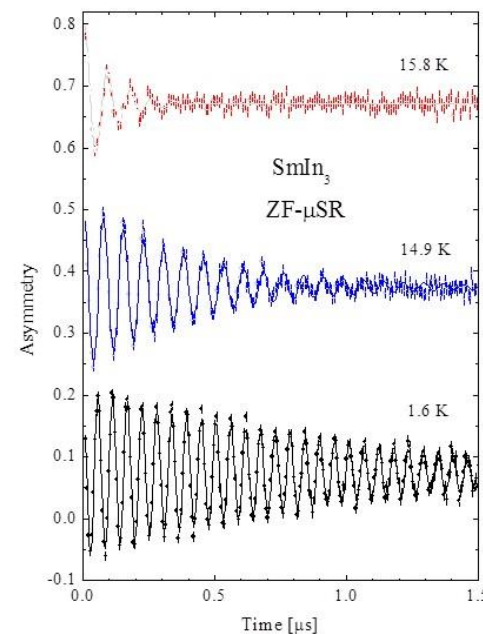
Intensity is limited $<10^5/s$

Complementary

Pulse muon (J-PARC)



DC muon (PSI)



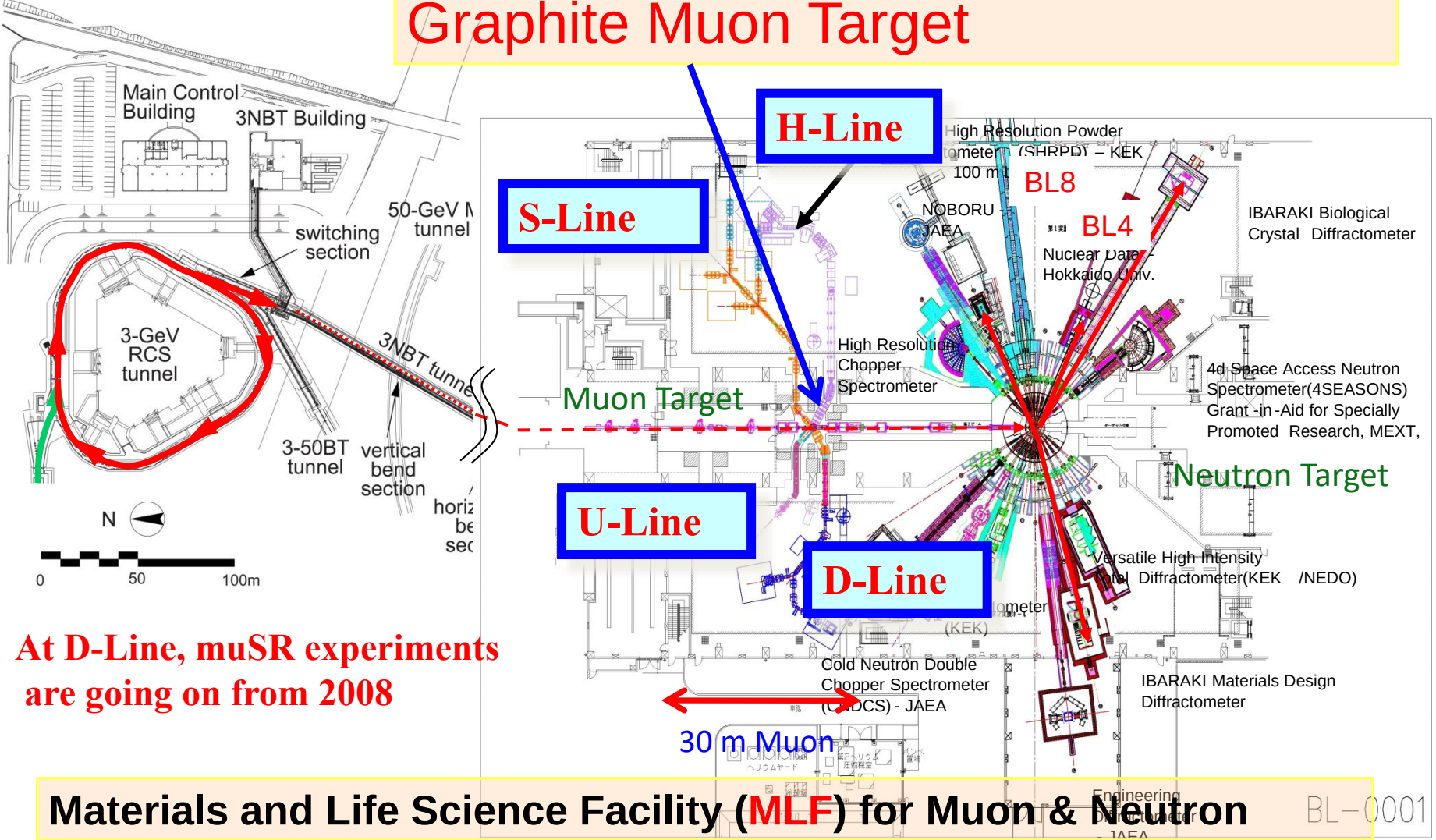
T.U.Ito, W.Higemoto et al.,
J. Phys. Soc. Jpn. 80 (2011) 033710

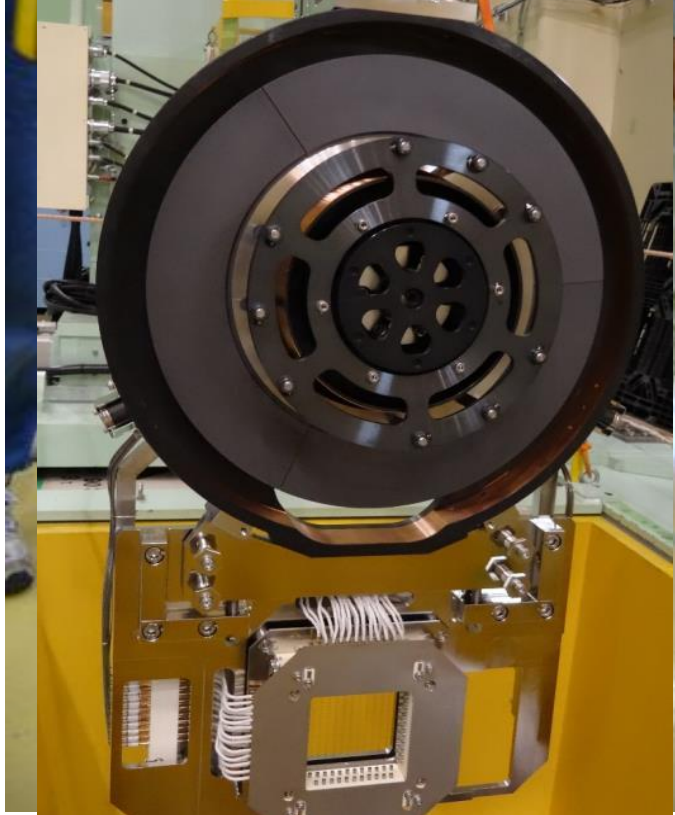
J-PARC(Tokai)



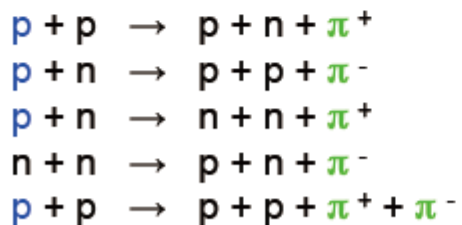
Proton Beam Transport from 3GeV RCS to MLF

On the way, towards neutron source
Graphite Muon Target





π is generated by



10 - 40 mbarn

閾値エネルギー 280 MeV

ミュオンビーム

Decay (Fast) Muon (3-50 MeV)

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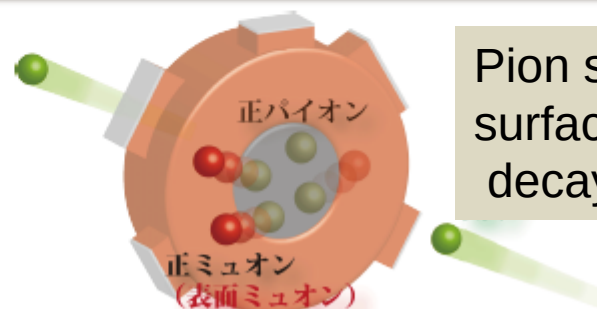
中間子

パイオン： π^+ , π^-

Superconducting
Solenoid magnet 6m

Both μ^+ and μ^- is obtained

Surface (Slow) Muon (4MeV)

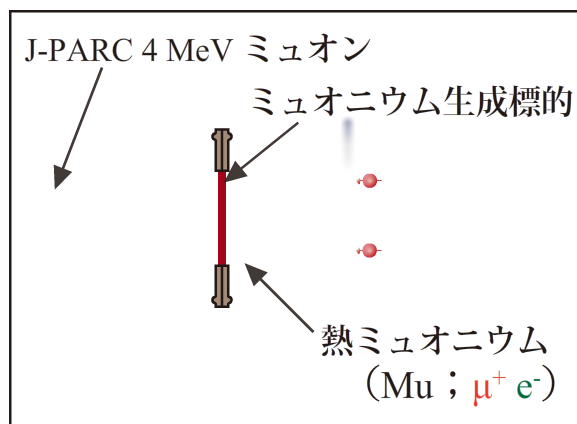
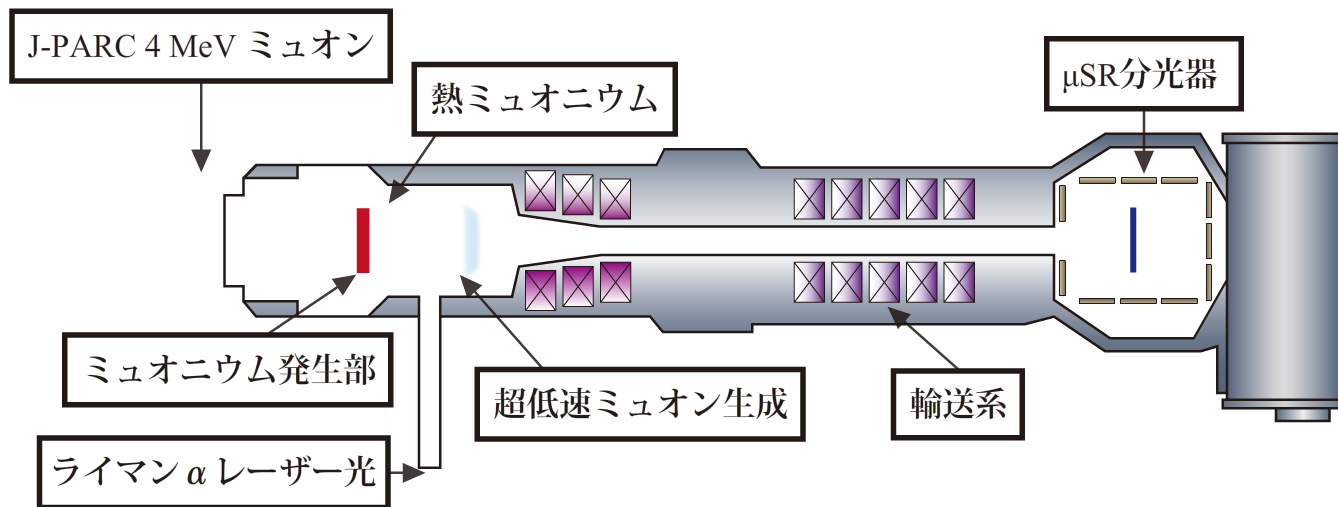
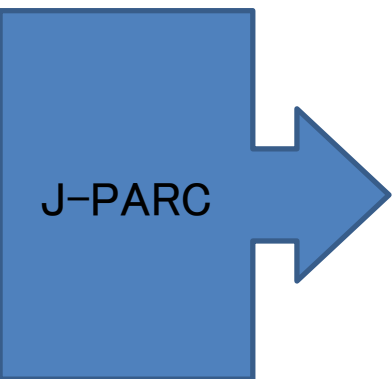


Pion stopping at
surface of target
decay to muon

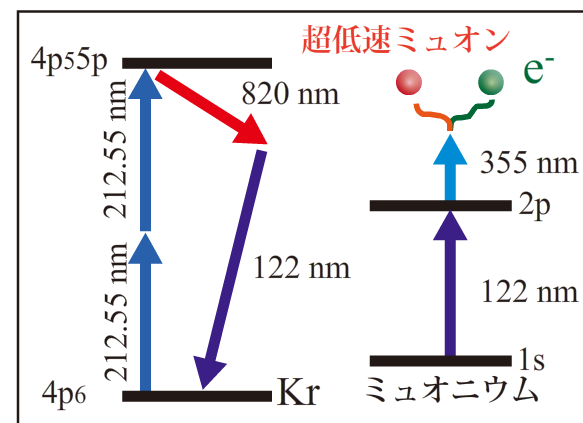
Low energy μ^+ is obtained
Stopping range is less than 1mm
Most of μ SR is using 4MeV muon



Generation of Ultra slow muon at J-PARC



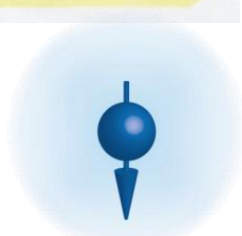
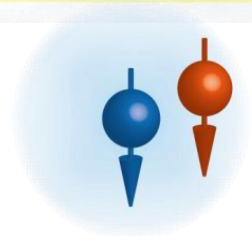
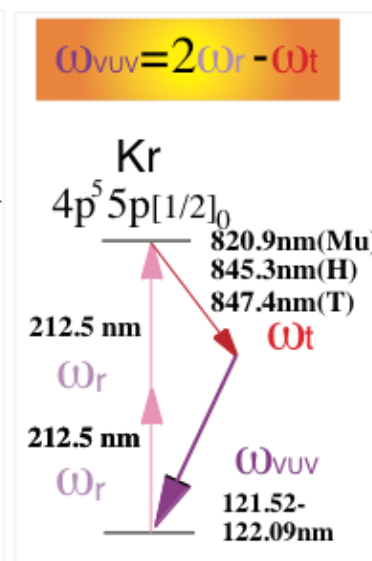
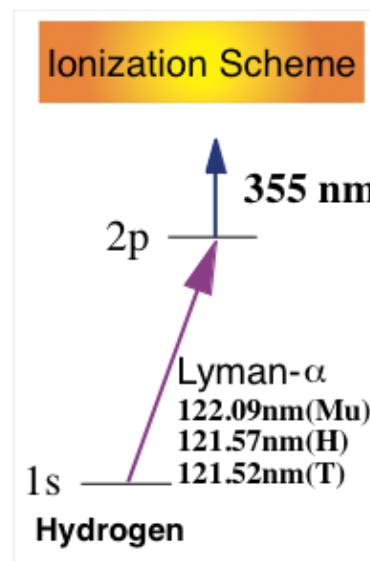
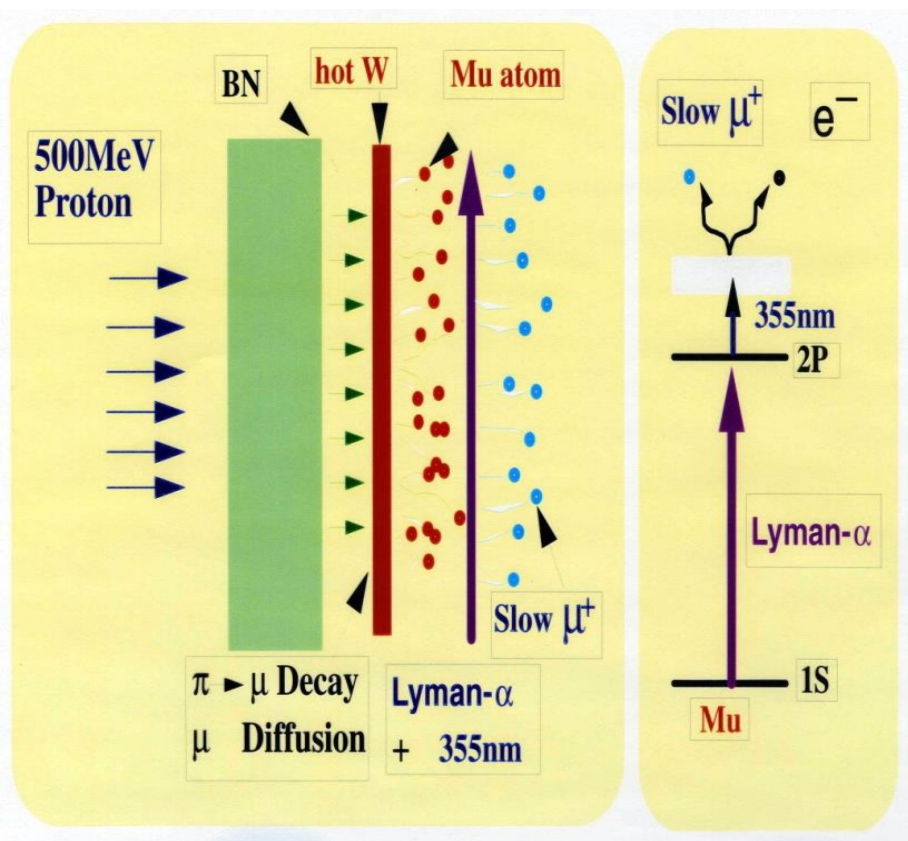
ミュオニウム発生部



ライマンαレーザー光生成、並びに
ミュオニウムの共鳴イオン化解離法の原理

**Pulse muon
and
Pulse laser**

**Cooling its
Energy
7 order**



熱エネルギーミュオニウム

μ^+

Implantation Depth

Ultra slow muon(J-PARC)

Low Energy Muon (PSI)

nm order



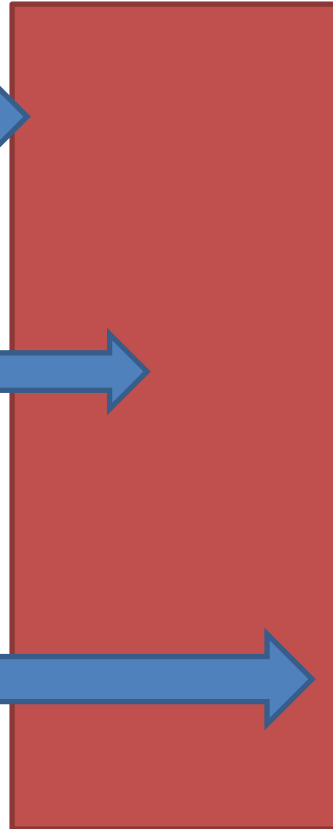
Conventional muon (4MeV)

0.2mm



Decay muon

0.2mm-2cm

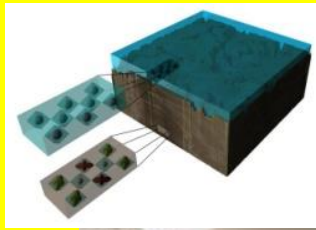
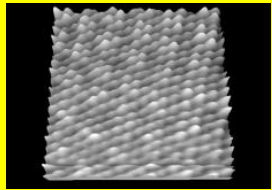


Ultra slow muon research

Ultra slow muon

0.2-200nm

Continuous research from
surface to bulk



Interface device

Surface state
Thin film
Battery
Spintronics
Surface Science

Micro beam mSR (Domain, Grain)
micro sample Actinide, DNA)

Surface to Bulk

USM μ SR

顕微機能の付加

Bulk

通常の μ SR

Muon obtained by Ordinary technique

Slow muon
0.2mm

Bulk properties of materials



Superconductor

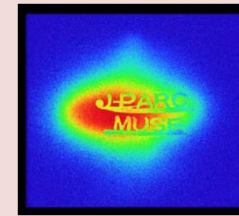


Hydrogen state in
semiconductor

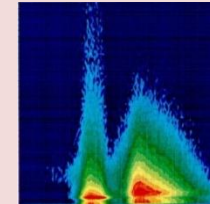
Magnetic materials,
Superconductor,
Hydrogen state
Chemical reactions

High energy muon
0.02-2cm

Bulk and



Muon radiography



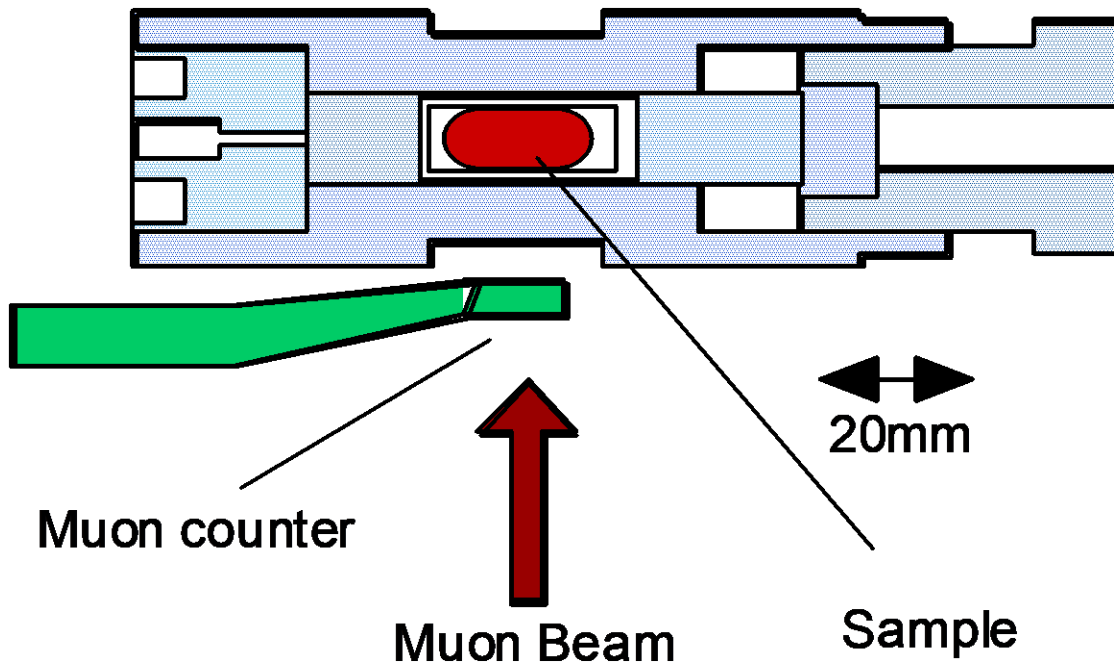
Muon catalysis fusion



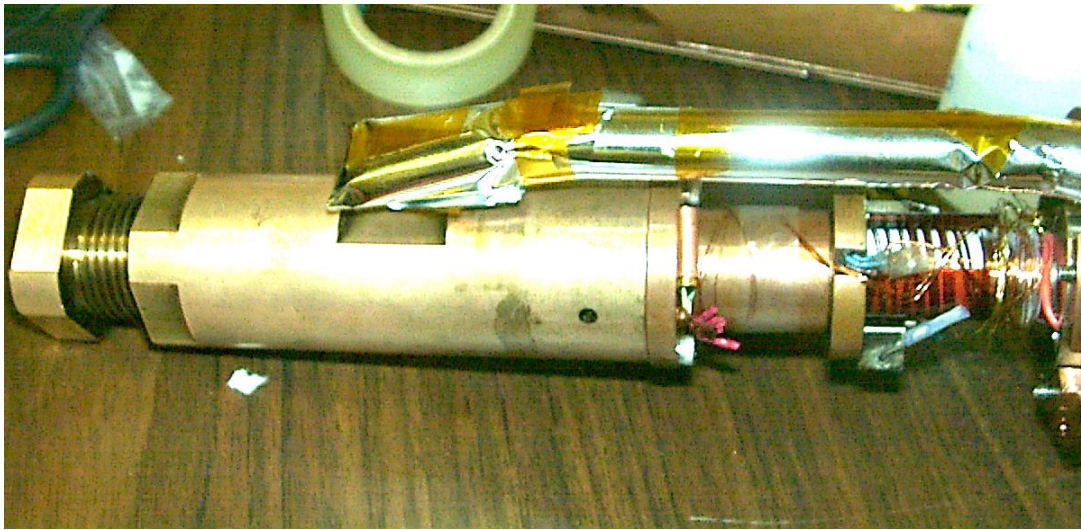
Elemental analysis

Positive and negative muon
High pressure
Fundamental physics
Muonic Atom

Our High Pressure Cell



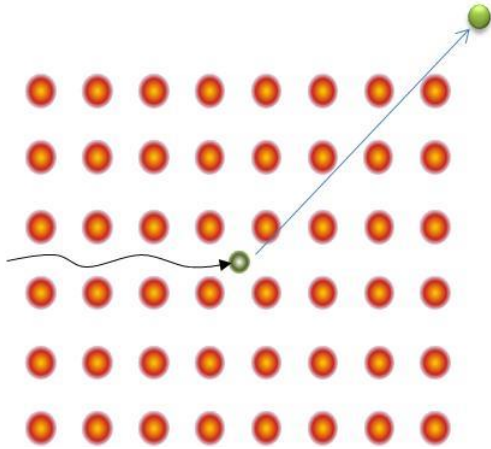
- O-1GPa (at LT)
- Cu-Be or MP35N
- Pressure Medium
Fluorinate
Daphne 7373



Material Research by using positive muon

Muon, Neutron and Positron in a matter

Muon

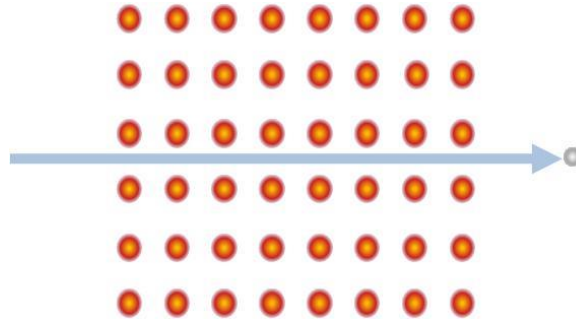


Interstitial site

chemical bond,
Muonium formation,

Detection → Positron
(Muon decay positron)
(High energy)

Neutron, Photon

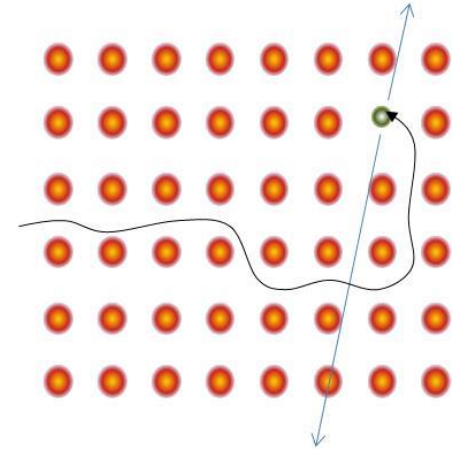


Penetrate whole crystal
(Average)

Diffraction

Detection
→ Neutron (Photon) itself

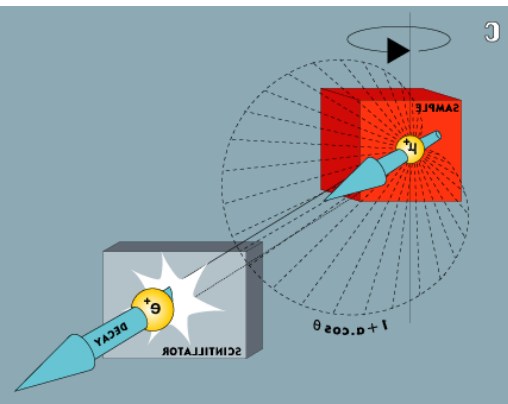
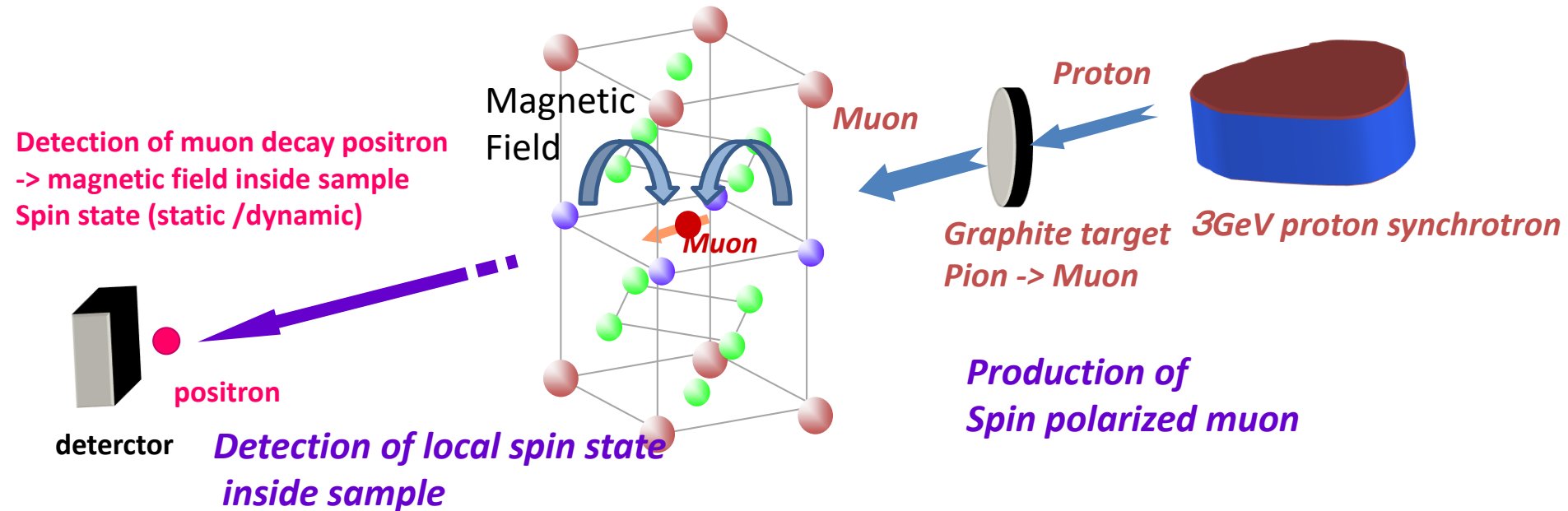
Positron



Selectively stop at **defect**

Detection → photon
(pair annihilation γ -ray)

Muon spin rotation/relaxation (μ SR) technique



Observation of local magnetic field with high sensitivity



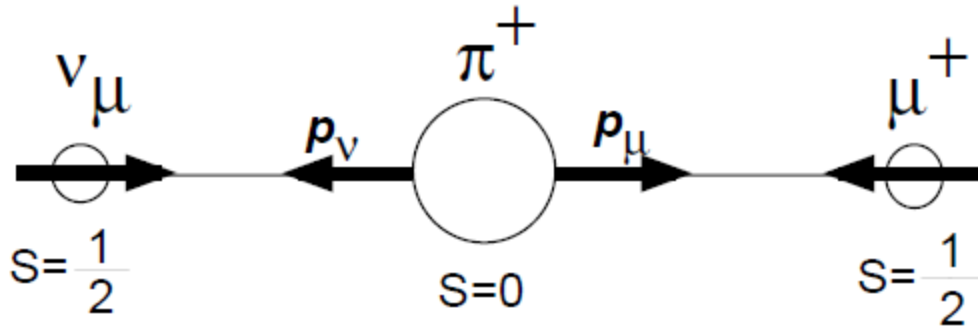
Detection of spin related phenomena inside sample.

Two important principles

- 100% Spin Polarized muon
- Muon decay positron is preferentially emitted to muon spin direction

Generation of Spin Polarized muon

$$\pi^+ \longrightarrow \mu^+ + \nu_\mu$$



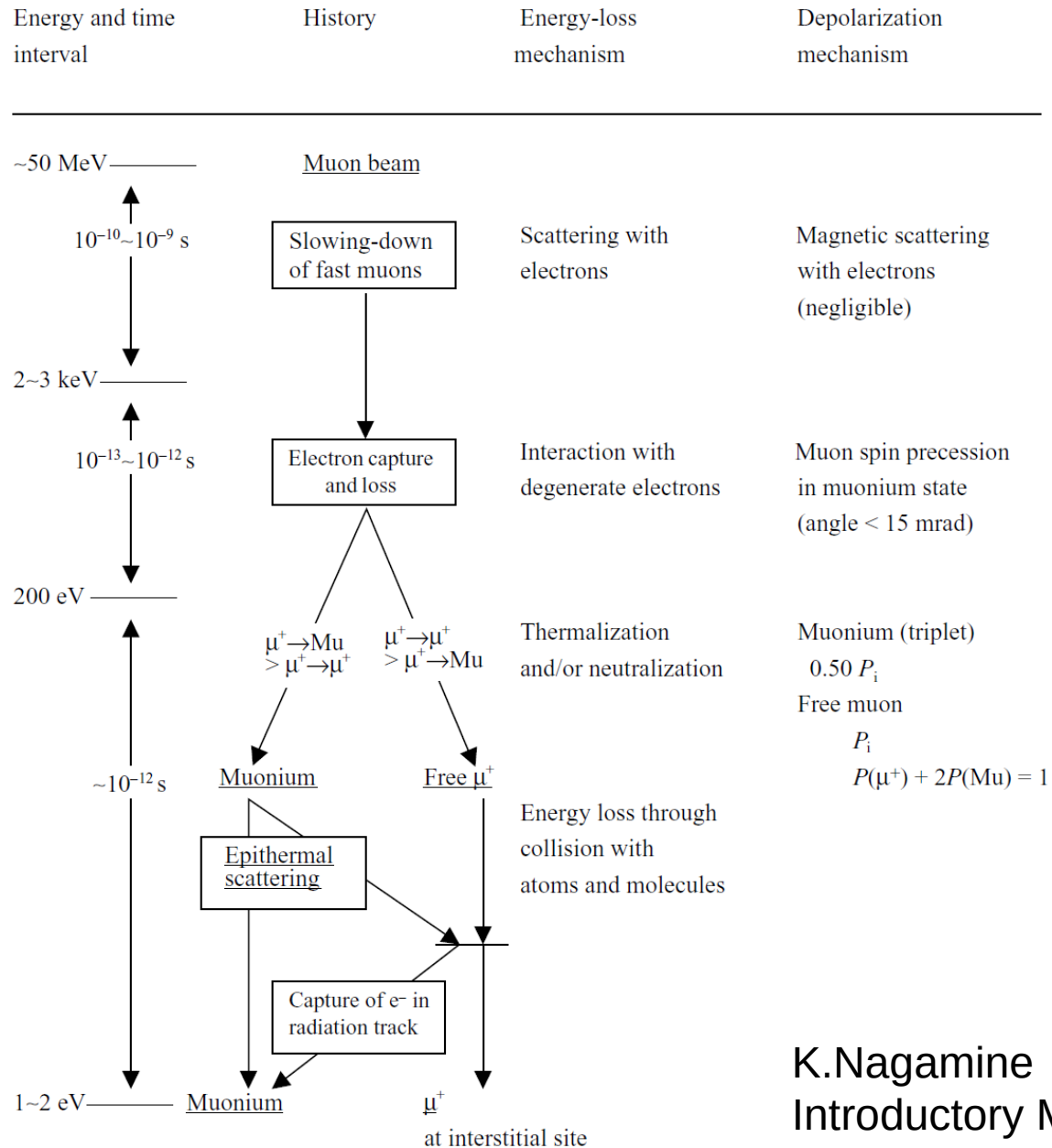
Neutrino Helicity -1

Spin direction $\rightarrow$ opposite direction with flight direction

$\rightarrow$ opposite direction with flight direction

100% Spin polarized muon

Positive muon



Muon in Material

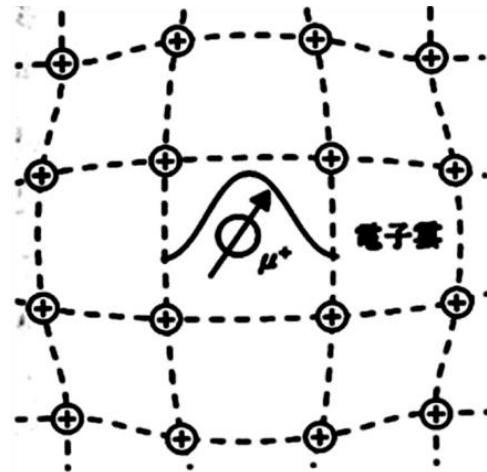
- Spin $1/2$ charge $+1$
- mass : $1/9 m_p$: $200 m_e$
- Unstable : Lifetime $2.2 \mu\text{sec}$
- Gyromagnetic ratio: $2\pi \times 135.5$ (MHz/T)

μ^+

Metal

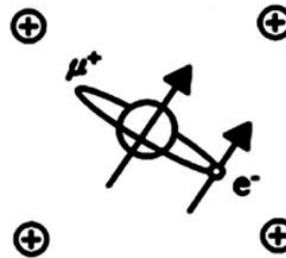
Light Proton

100% Polarized muon

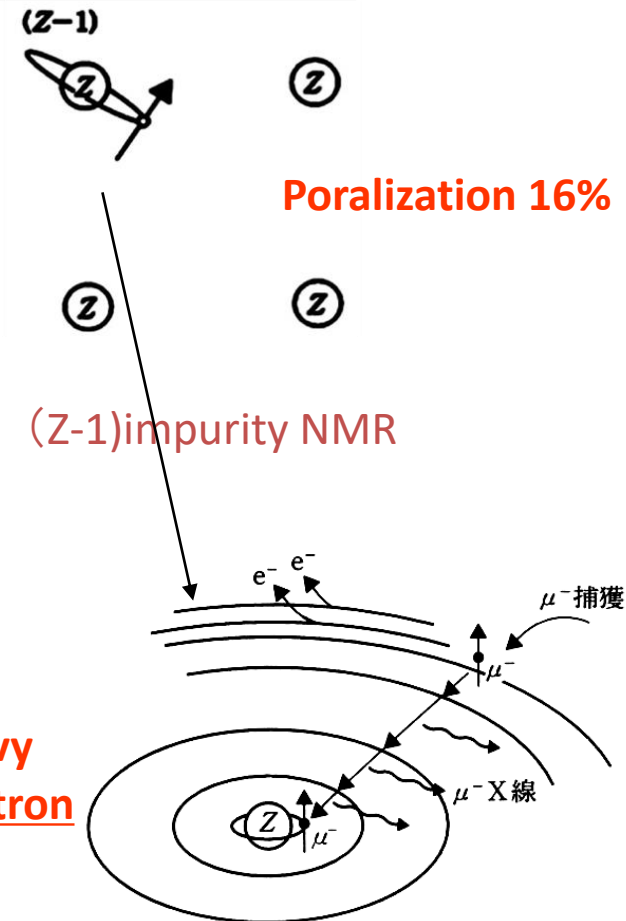


Insulator, semiconductor

“Muonium” Just similar with Hydrogen



μ^-



Larmore precession of muon spin

$$\mu = \gamma_\mu \mathbf{J} = \gamma_\mu \hbar \mathbf{I}$$

$$\gamma_\mu = 2\pi \times 135.54 \quad [\text{MHz/T}]$$

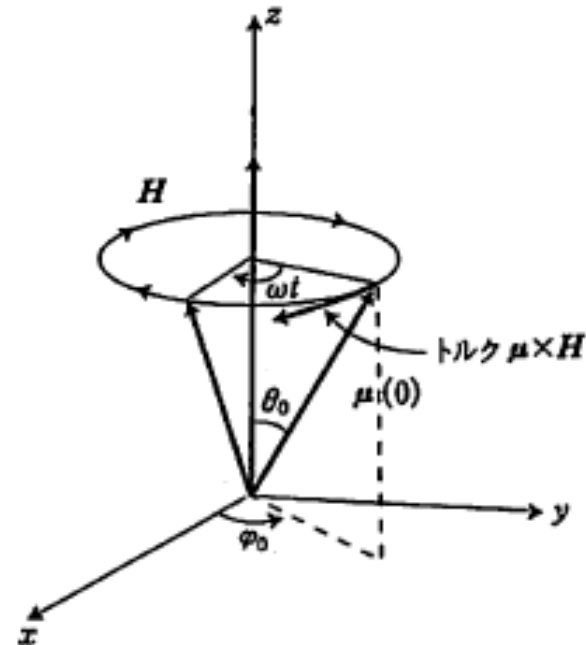
$$\frac{d\mathbf{J}}{dt} = \mu \times \mathbf{H}$$

$$\frac{d\mu}{dt} = \gamma_\mu \mu \times \mathbf{H}$$

$$\mu(0) = (\mu \sin \theta_0 \cos \phi_0, \mu \sin \theta_0 \sin \phi_0, \mu \cos \theta_0)$$

$$\mu_x(t) = (\mu \sin \theta_0 \cos(\phi_0 - \omega_\mu t), \mu \sin \theta_0 \sin(\phi_0 - \omega_\mu t), \mu \cos \theta_0)$$

$$\omega_\mu = \gamma_\mu H_0$$



Muon Decay

Mean life time $2.2\mu\text{s}$

$$\mu^+ \longrightarrow e^+ + \nu_e + \bar{\nu}_\mu$$

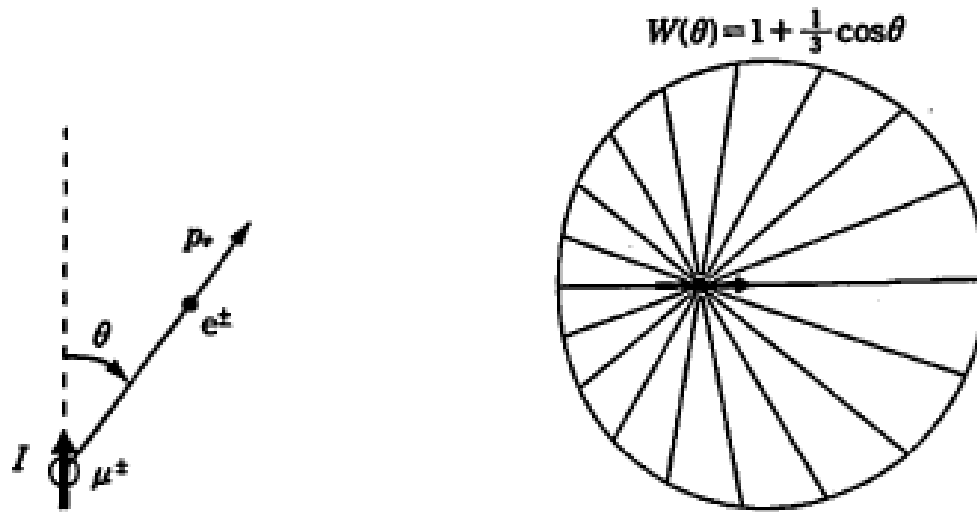
$$E_{\text{max}}^{\text{kin}} = \frac{1}{2} m_\mu c^2 \left[1 + \left(\frac{m_e}{m_\mu} \right)^2 \right] - m_e c^2 = 52.32 \text{ [MeV]}$$

$$W^\pm(\theta, \epsilon) d(\cos \theta) d\epsilon = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{\tau_\mu} (3 - 2\epsilon) \left(1 \pm \frac{2\epsilon - 1}{3 - 2\epsilon} \cos \theta \right) \epsilon^2 d(\cos \theta) d\epsilon$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{E}{E_{\text{max}}},$$

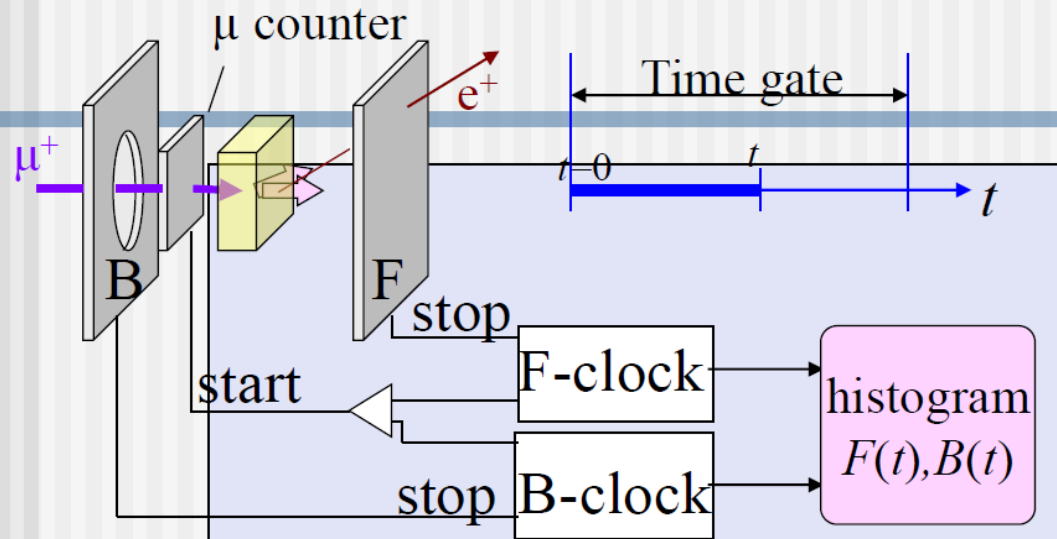
$$W^\pm(\theta) = 1 \pm A(\epsilon) \cos \theta$$

$$A(\epsilon) = \frac{2\epsilon - 1}{3 - 2\epsilon}$$

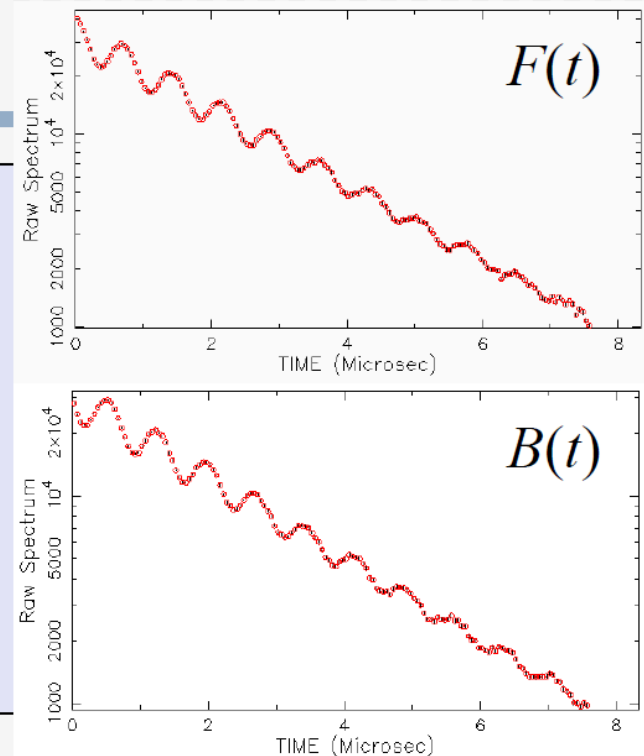
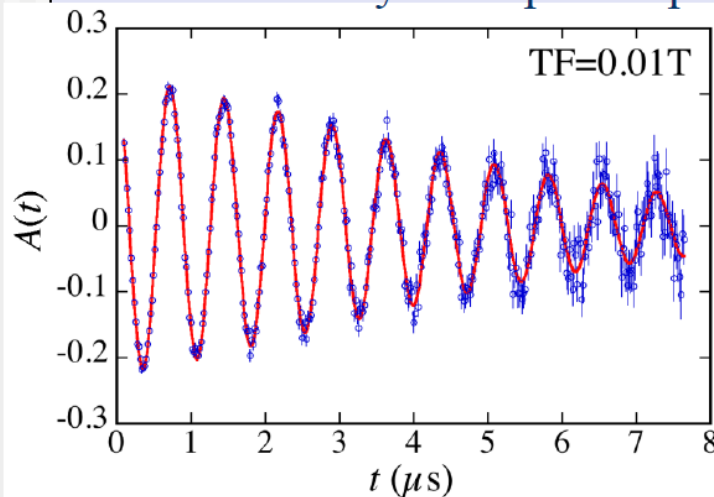


Spatial distribution of positrons from the decay of a polarized muon (average)

μ SR experiment using continuous (dc) muon beam



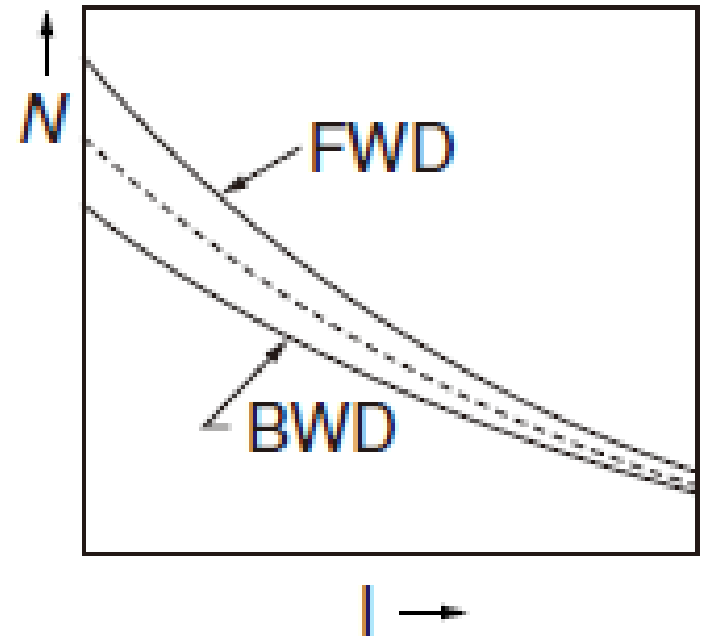
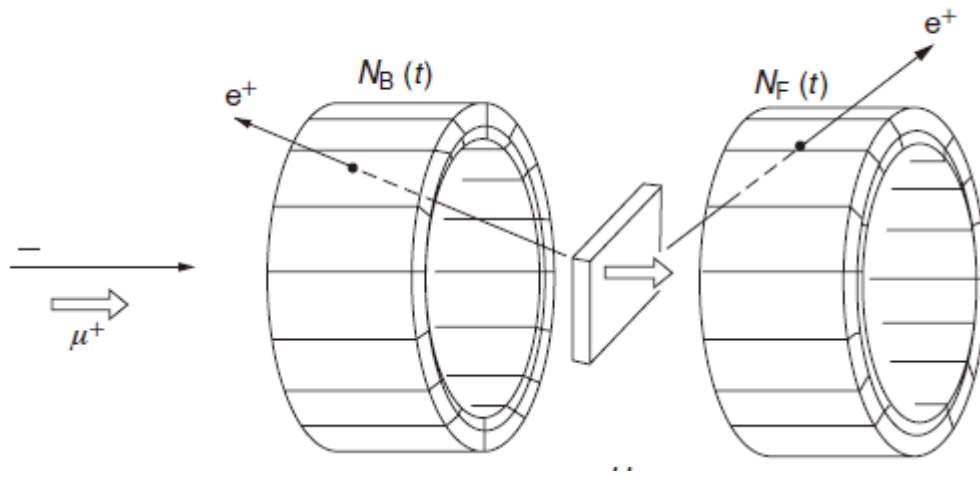
...Muon is identified one by one upon implantation.



$$A(t) = \frac{F(t) - \alpha B(t)}{F(t) + \alpha B(t)}$$

[TRIUMF(Canada), PSI(Switzerland)]

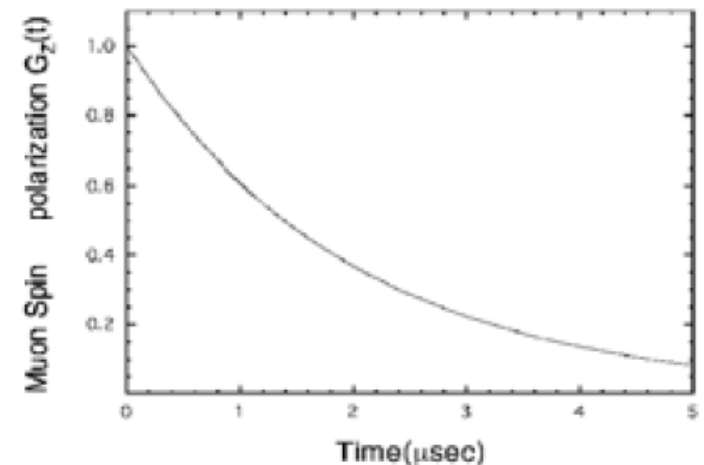
$$N(\theta, t) = N_0 \exp\left(-\frac{t}{\tau_\mu}\right) \times (1 + A \cdot P(t) \cos \theta)$$



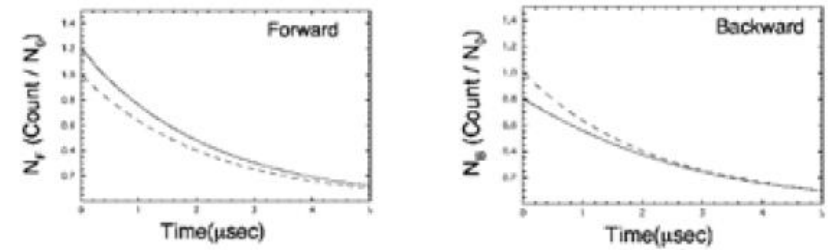
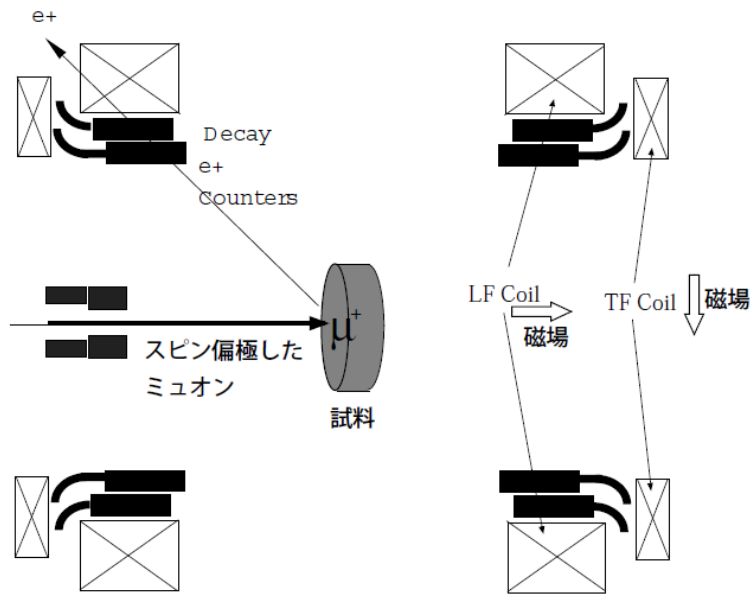
$$N_{\text{FWD}}(t) = N_{\text{F0}} (1 + AP(t)) \times e(-t/\tau_\mu)$$

$$N_{\text{BWD}}(t) = N_{\text{B0}} (1 - AP(t)) \times e(-t/\tau_\mu)$$

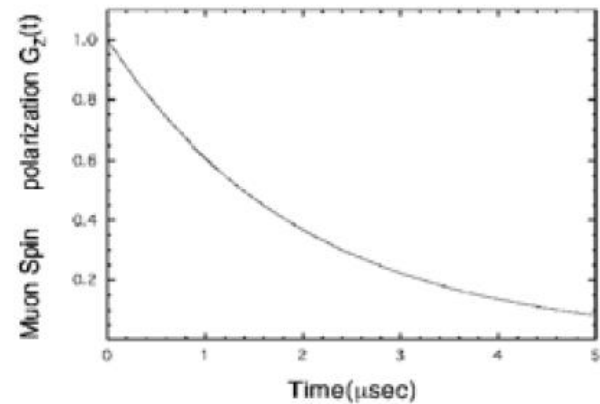
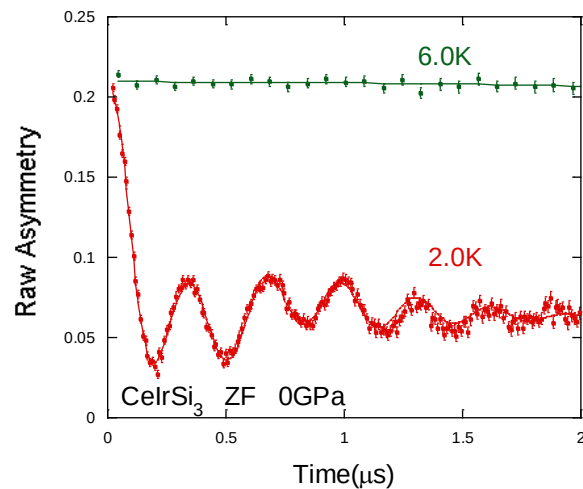
$$AP(t) = \frac{N_{\text{FWD}}(t) - \alpha N_{\text{BWD}}(t)}{N_{\text{FWD}}(t) + \alpha N_{\text{BWD}}(t)}$$



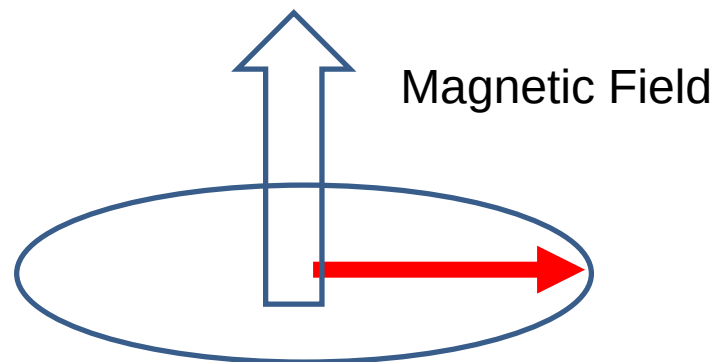
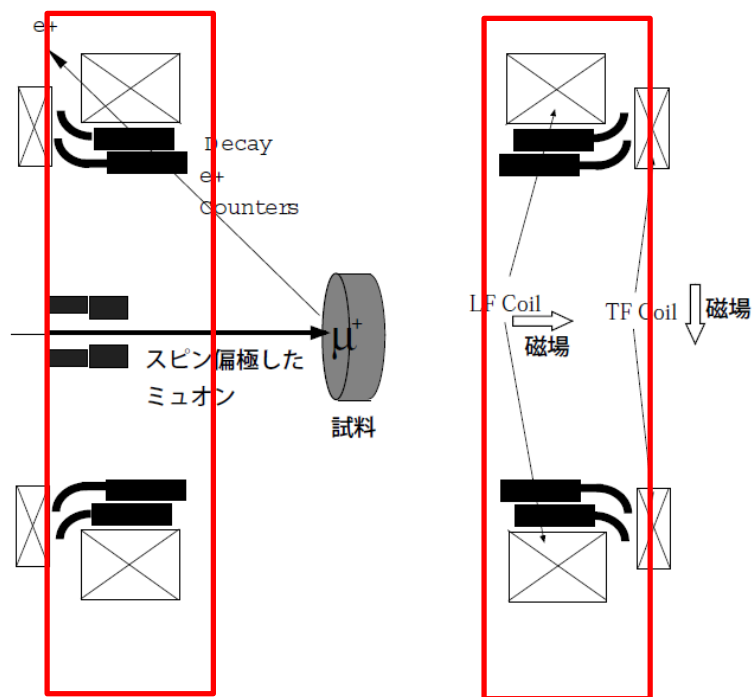
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$$\frac{N_F(t) - \alpha N_B(t)}{N_F(t) + \alpha N_B(t)} = AG_Z(t)$$

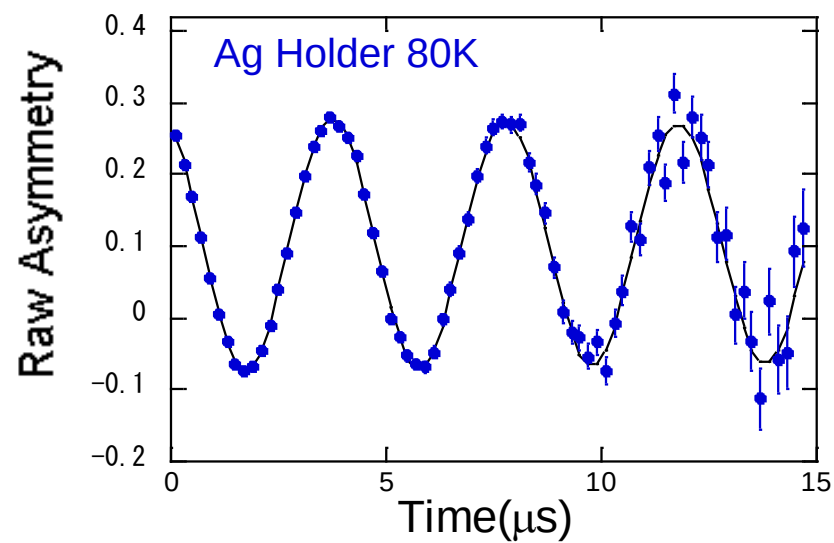
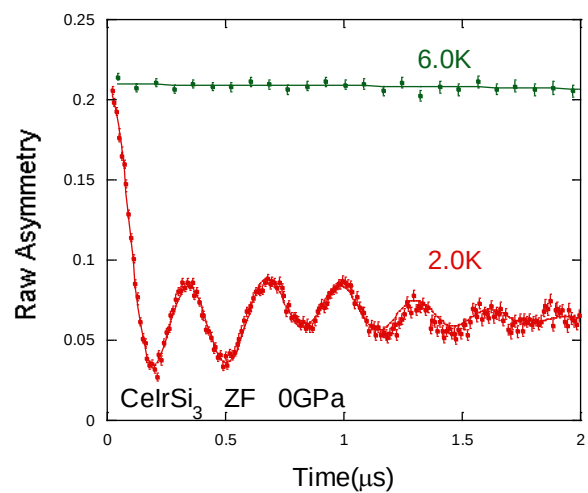


A Constant Value (~0.2)

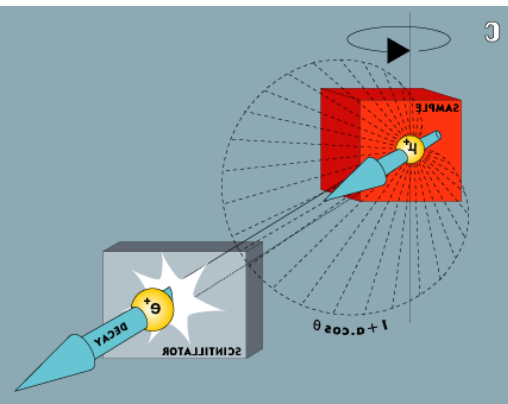
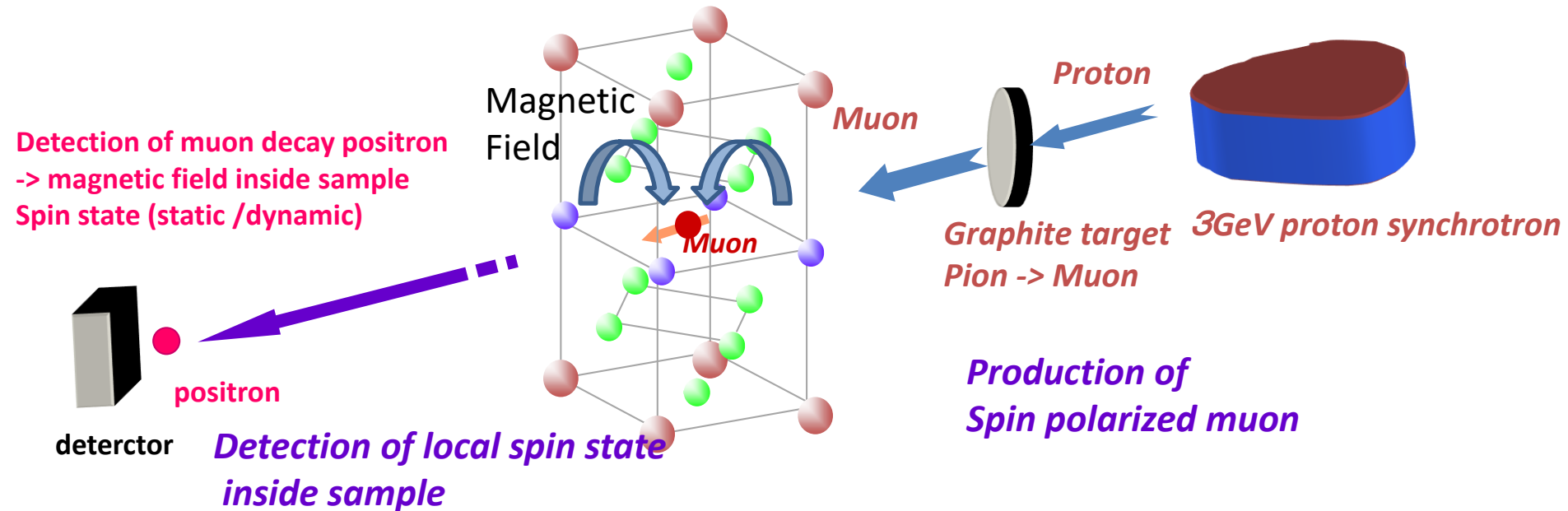


Forward
NF

Backward
NB



Muon spin rotation/relaxation (μ SR) technique



Observation of local magnetic field with high sensitivity



Detection of spin related phenomena inside sample.

Larmor Precession by magnetic field

$$\mu = \gamma_{\mu} J = \gamma_{\mu} \hbar I$$

$$\gamma_{\mu} = 2\pi \times 135.54 \quad [\text{MHz/T}]$$

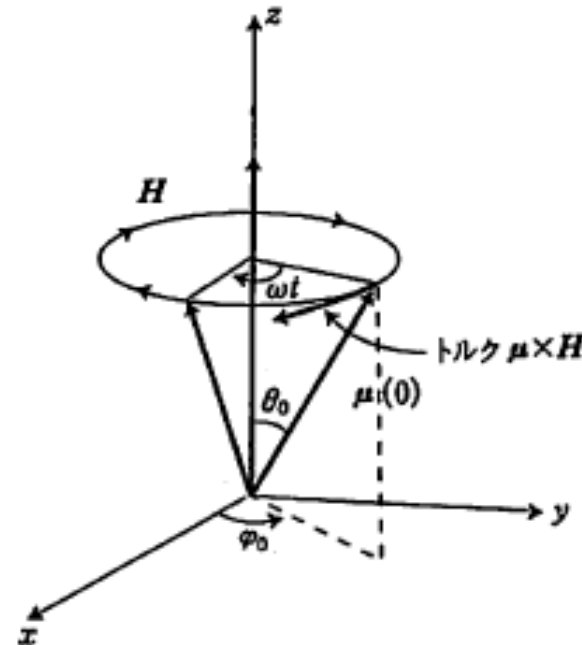
$$\frac{dJ}{dt} = \mu \times H$$

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$$\omega_{\mu} = \gamma_{\mu} H_0$$



Spin Relaxation

$t=0$ muon spin 100% polarized

gradually depolarized owing to magnetic
circumstance around muon

Time dependence of residual polarization

Magnetic field at muon site

Magnetic dipole-dipole interaction

nucleus、electron spin and muon spin

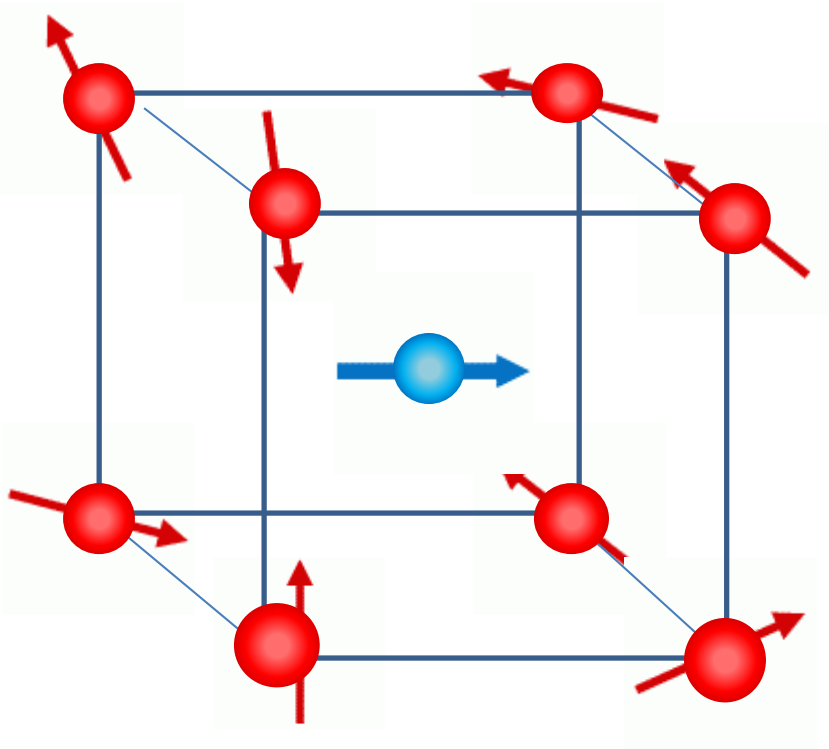
$$\mathcal{H}_d = -\gamma_e \gamma_\mu \hbar^2 (\mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{I} / r^3 - 3(\mathbf{S} \cdot \mathbf{r})(\mathbf{I} \cdot \mathbf{r}) / r^5)$$

Fermi Contact

$$\mathcal{H}_F = (8\pi/3) \gamma_e \gamma_\mu \hbar^2 \mathbf{I} \cdot \mathbf{S} \delta(\mathbf{r})$$

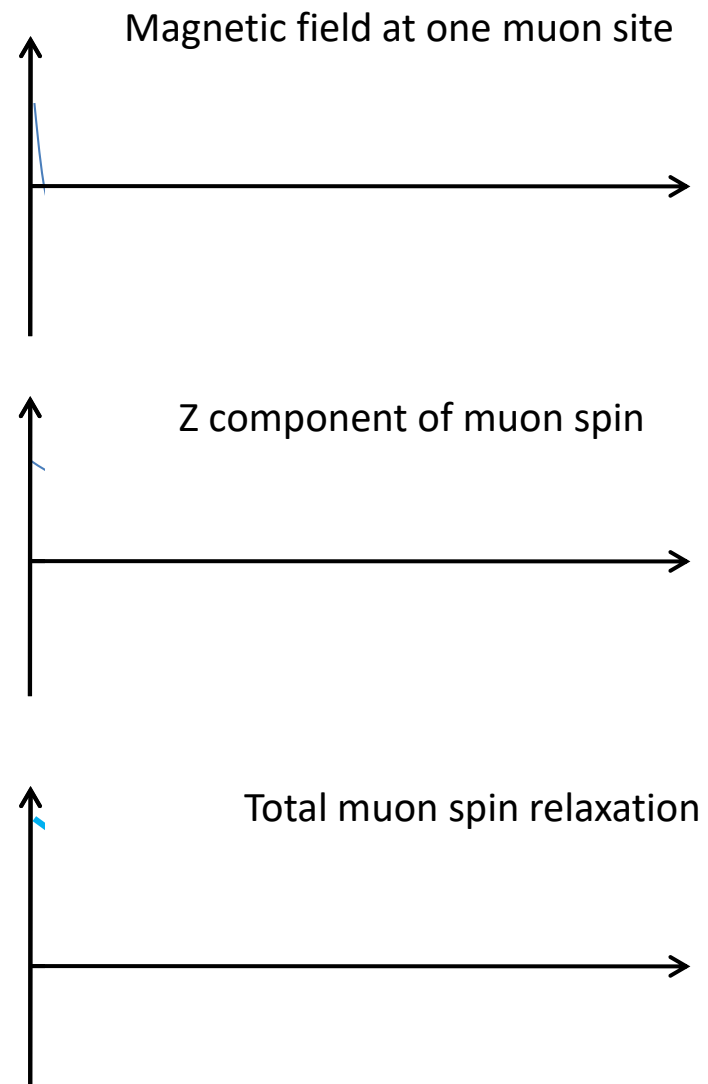
Transfer interaction due to hybridization orbital

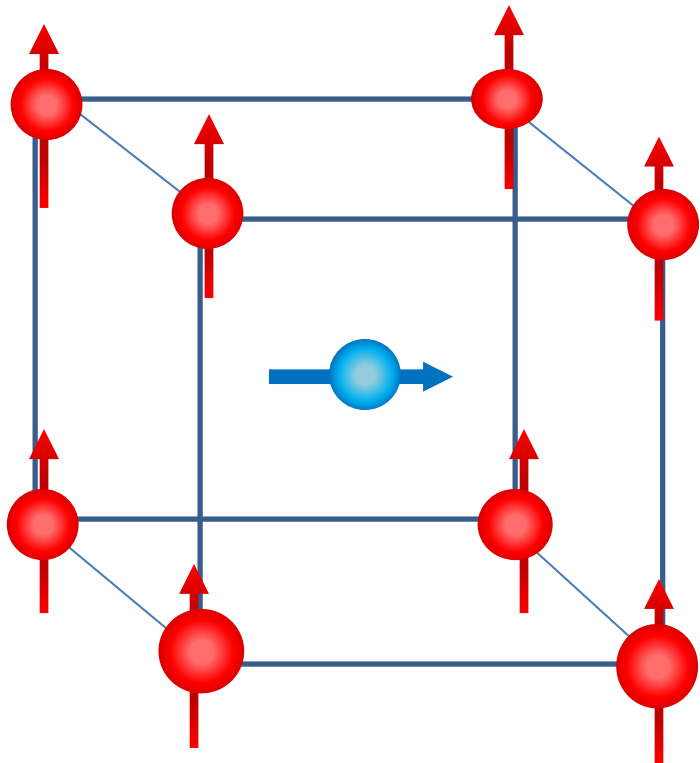
$$\mathcal{H}_t = a_s \mathbf{I} \cdot \mathbf{S}$$



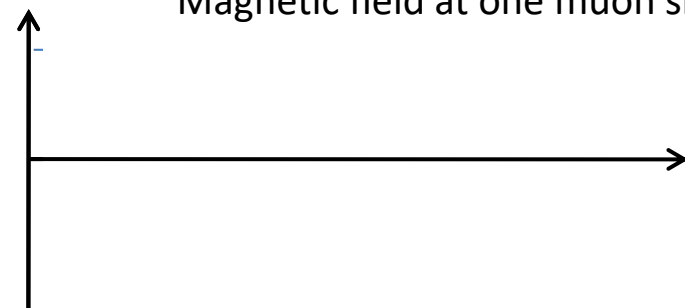
Paramagnetic state ($T \gg T_C$)

Fast fluctuation

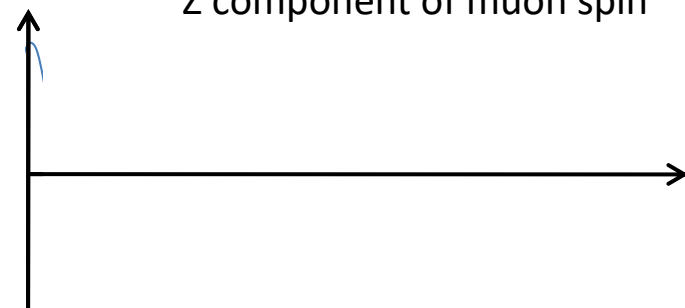




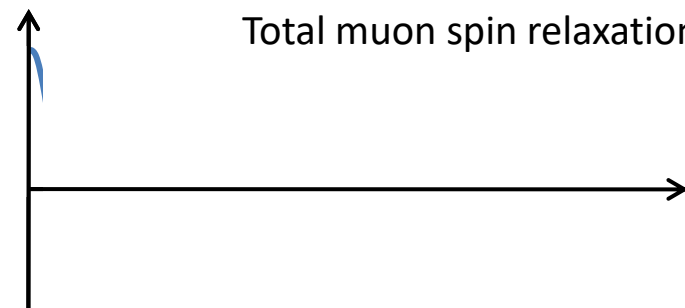
Magnetic field at one muon site



Z component of muon spin



Total muon spin relaxation



Magnetic Ordered state ($T \ll T_C$)
All the implanted muon behave same way
(same precession frequency)

Magnetic state	Direction	distribution	dynamics
Paramagnetic electron spin nucleus spin	Random Random	Gaussian Gaussian	Dynamic Static
Ferromagnetic Poly Single	Random Specific direction	Uniform	Static
Antiferromagnetic Poly Single	Random Specific direction	Uniform Uniform	Static
Spin-glass etc	Random	Lorentzian	Static
Just above T _c , T _N (Critical Slowing down)	Random	Gaussian	Dynamic

Relaxation Function

$$N(\theta, t) = N_0 \exp\left(-\frac{t}{\tau_\mu}\right) \times (1 + A \cdot P(t) \cos \theta)$$

$$G_z(t) \equiv P_z(t) / P(0)$$

$$\frac{N_0(t, 0) - aN_0(t, \pi)}{N_0(t, 0) + aN_0(t, \pi)} = AP(0) G_z(t)$$

[1] 物質中に静的な磁場が存在するときのミュオンスピン偏極 $P(t)$

$$\frac{\langle I_x^i(t) \rangle}{I} = \left[\frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta^i \cos \phi^i (1 - \cos \omega^i t) + \sin \theta^i \sin \phi^i \sin \omega^i t \right]$$

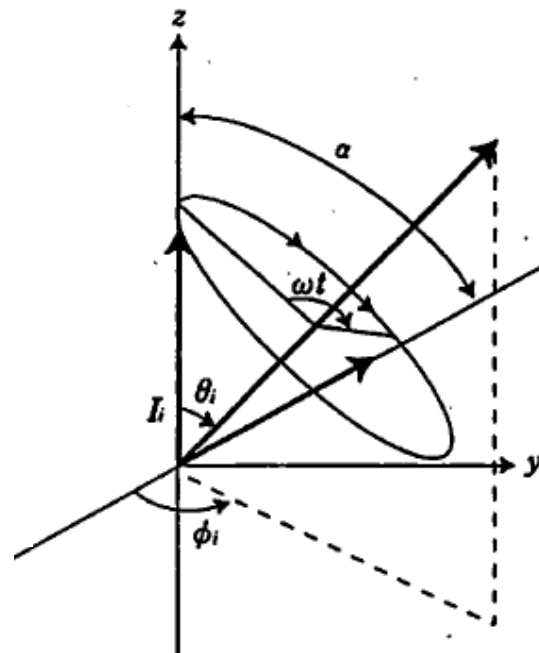
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$$\frac{\langle I_z^i(t) \rangle}{I} = [\cos^2 \theta^i + \sin^2 \theta^i \cos \omega^i t]$$

$$\omega^i = \gamma_\mu B^i$$

物質中の B^i の分布 $D(B^i)$

$$P_\alpha^{\text{stat}}(t) = \frac{\langle I_\alpha \rangle}{I} = \int \frac{\langle I_\alpha \rangle}{I} D(B) dB \quad (\alpha = x, y, z)$$

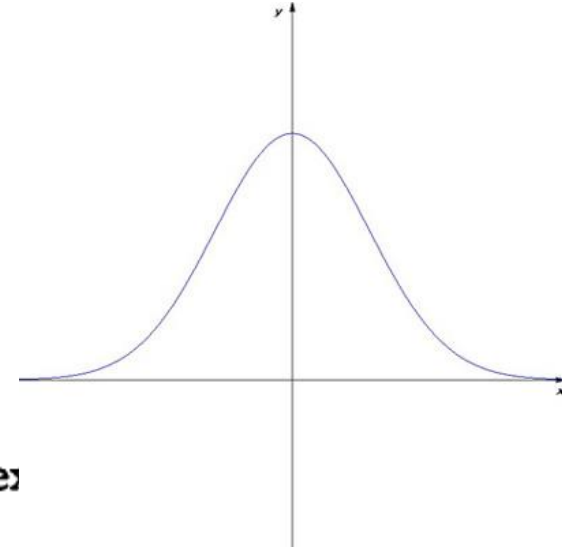


Gaussian Distribution

$$p(B_a^t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_B} \exp\left[-\frac{(B_a^t)^2}{2\sigma_B^2}\right] \quad (a=x, y, z)$$

$$\sigma_B^2 = \overline{(B_x^t)^2} = \overline{(B_y^t)^2} = \overline{(B_z^t)^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_z(t) &= \frac{\langle I_z(t) \rangle}{I} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dB_x \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dB_y \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dB_z p(B_x) p(B_y) p(B_z) \frac{\langle I_z(t) \rangle}{I} \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_B}\right)^3 \int_0^{\infty} B^2 dB \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \int_0^{\pi} \sin\theta d\theta (\cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta \cos\gamma_\mu B t) e^{-\frac{B^2}{2\sigma_B^2}} \end{aligned}$$



$$G_z(t) = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{2}{3}[(1 - (\gamma_\mu \sigma_B)^2 t^2) \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}(\gamma_\mu \sigma_B)^2 t^2\right] \equiv G_{KT}(t)]$$

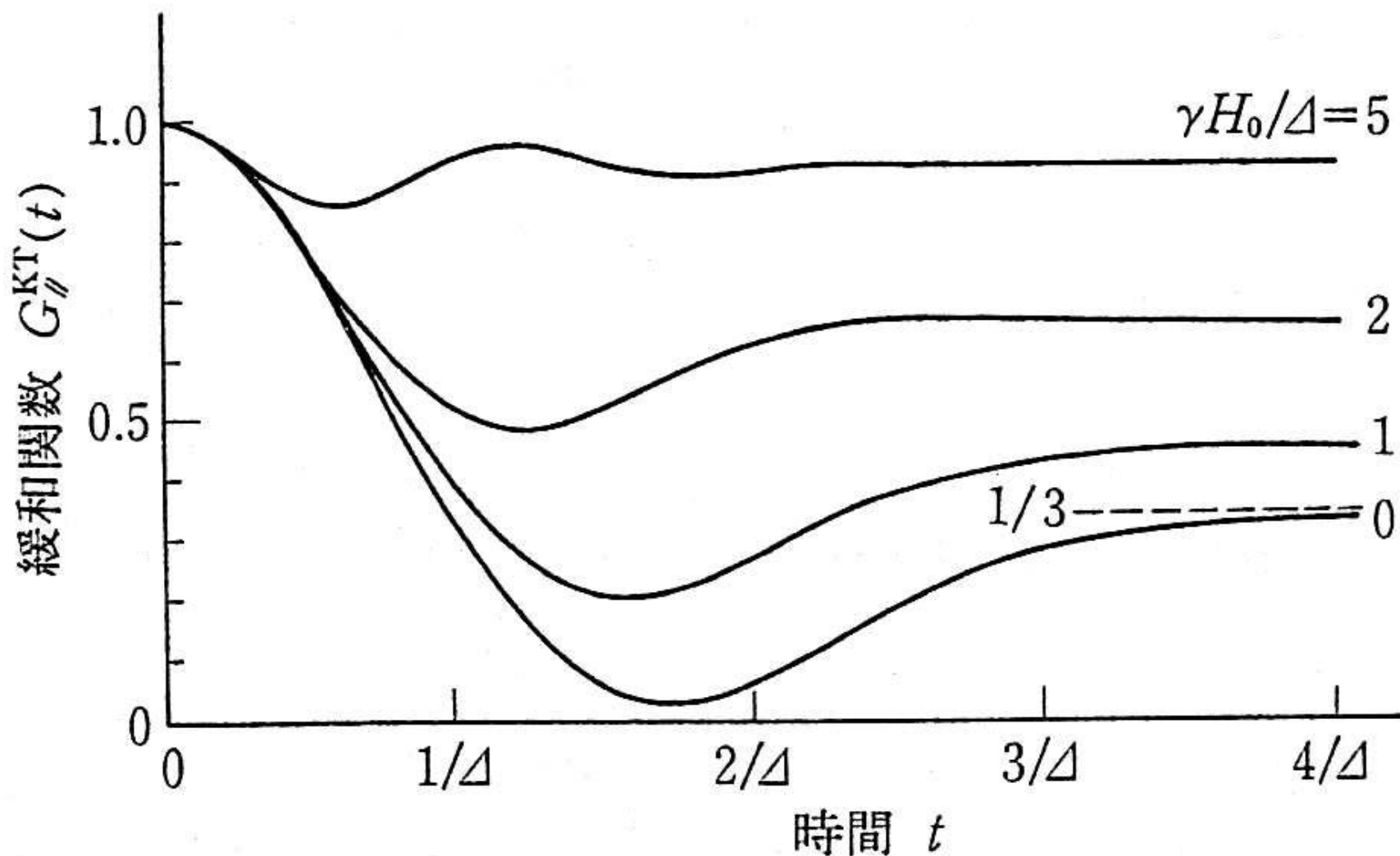
$$p(B_z) \rightarrow p(B_z - B_0)$$

$$G_z(t) \equiv G_z^{KT}(t, B_0) \quad (\omega_0 = \gamma_\mu B_0)$$

$$= 1 - \frac{2\Delta^2}{\omega_0^2} \left[1 - \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\Delta^2 t^2\right) \cos \omega_0 t \right] + \frac{2\Delta^4}{\omega_0^3} \left[\int_0^t \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\Delta^2 \tau^2\right) \sin \omega_0 t d\tau \right]$$

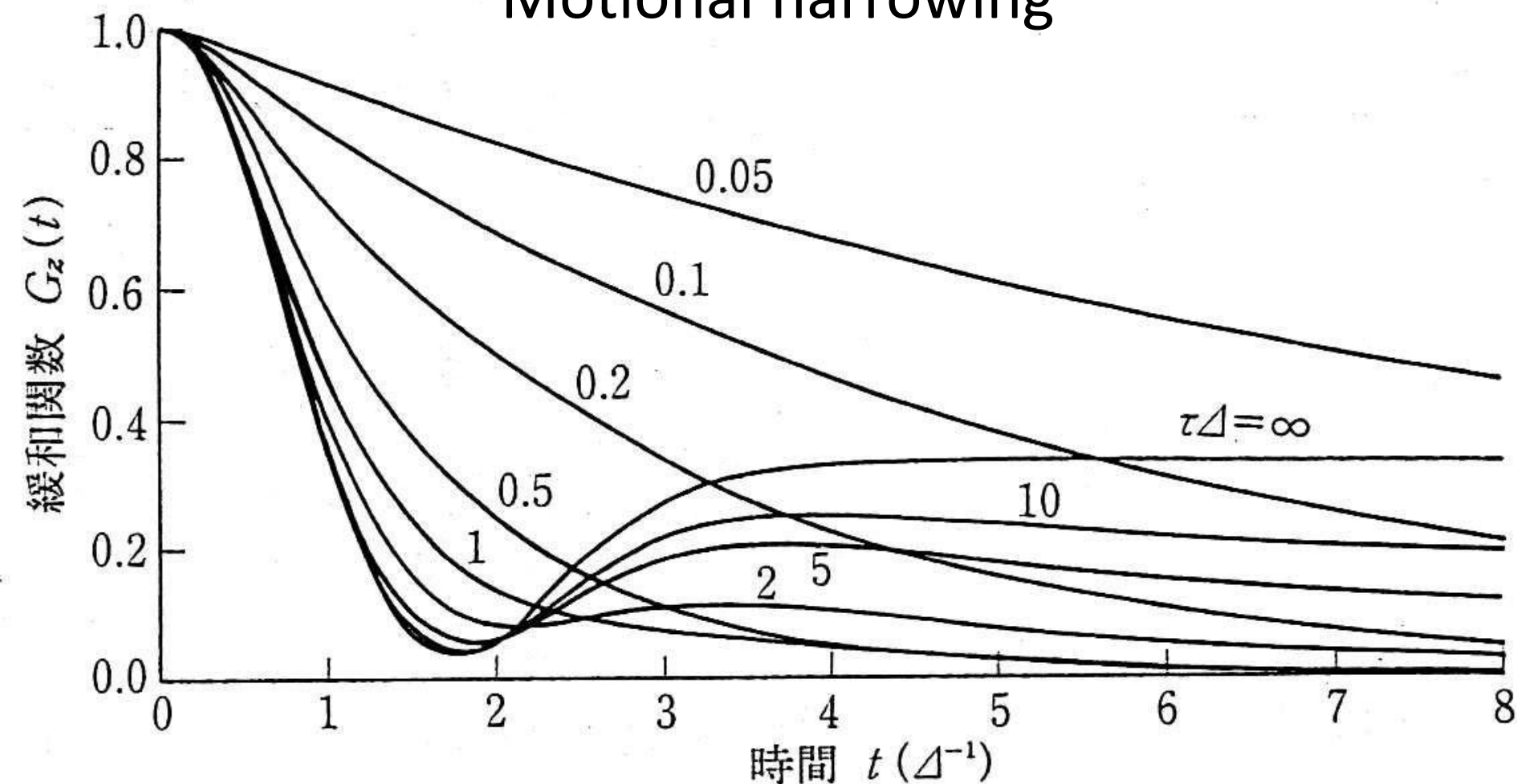
Kubo-Toyabe function

Gaussian distributed random direction magnetic field



Dynamic Kubo-Toyabe function
Gaussian distributed field is fluctuating (τ)

Motional narrowing

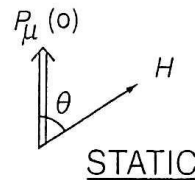


Spectra shape
Relaxation time
Magnetic field dependence

Local field
Homogenous?
Gaussian distribution?
Magnitude

Static or dynamic
Correlation time
Volume Fraction

K.Nagamine
Introductory Muon Science_(a)



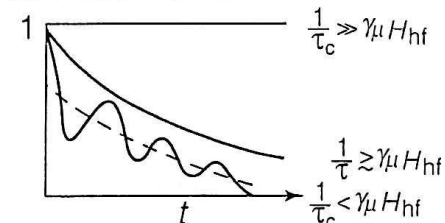
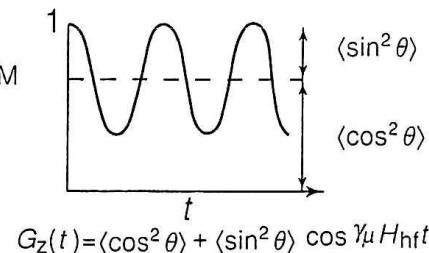
$$\sigma_z(t) = \cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta \cos \gamma_\mu H_{hf} t$$

$$G_z(t) = \int \sigma_z(t) P(H_x) P(H_y) P(H_z) dH_x dH_y dH_z$$

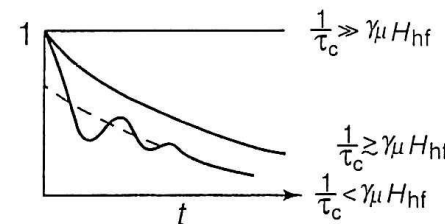
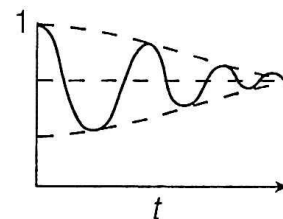
DYNAMIC (FLUCTUATING)

$$\langle H_{hf}(0) H_{hf}(t) \rangle \propto e^{-\frac{t}{\tau_c}}$$

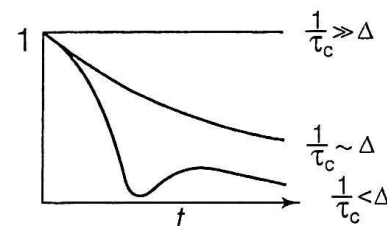
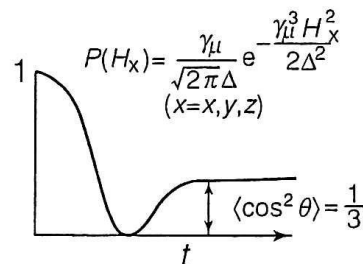
(i) UNIFORM FIELD



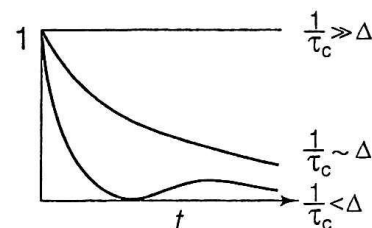
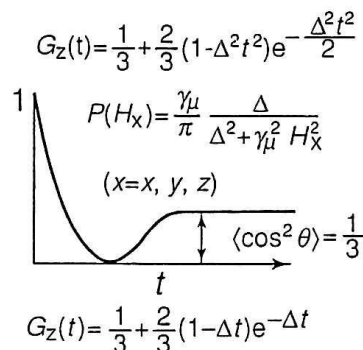
(ii) UNIFORM FIELD + RANDOM FIELD



(iii) RANDOM FIELD (GAUSSIAN)



(iv) RANDOM FIELD (LORENTZIAN)

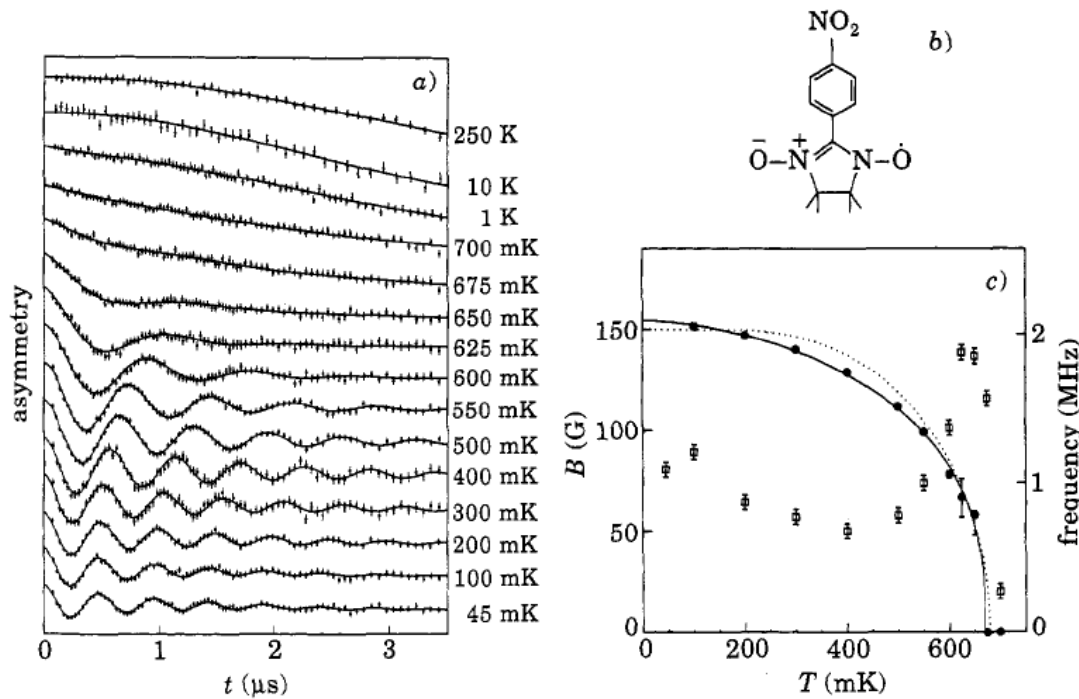


Magnetic ordered state

Very clearly and easily observed magnetic ordered state

Size of the magnetic moment can be estimated

Temperature dependence of the order parameter



$$\nu(T) = \nu(0)(1 - (T/T_C)^\alpha)^\beta$$

$$\alpha = 1.7 \pm 0.4$$

$$\beta = 0.36 \pm 0.05$$

cf

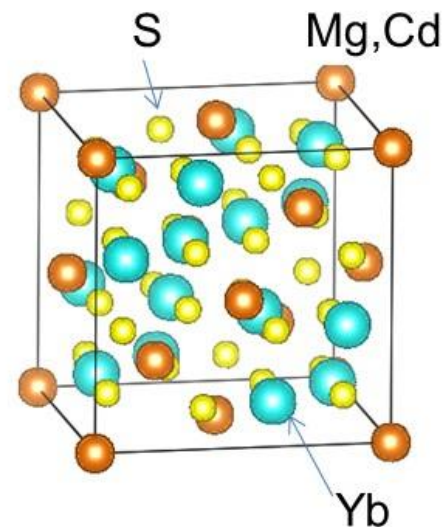
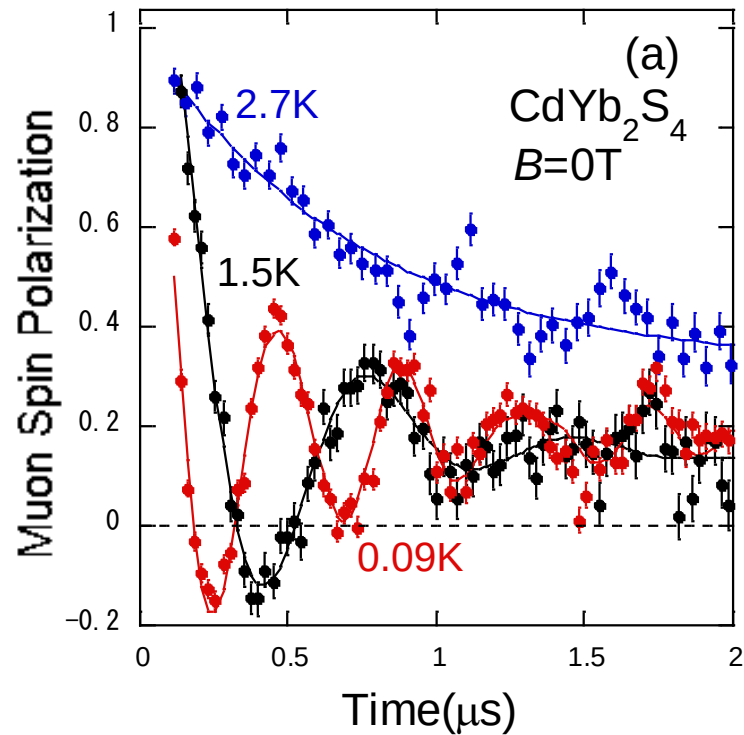
3D Heisenberg 0.36

3D Ising 0.33

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p-NPNN

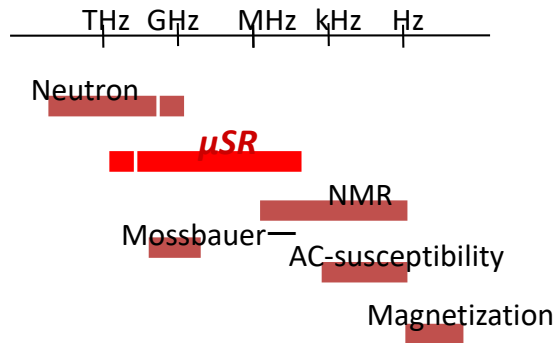
S. Billund et al, EPL 1995



Magnetic ordering in Frustrated Material

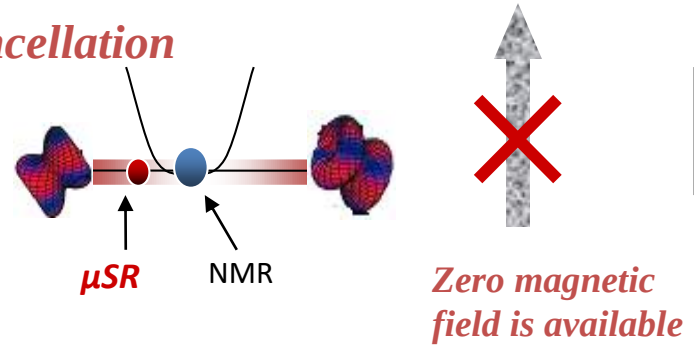
T.Higo,,WH et al., Phys. Rev B 2017

Unique time window

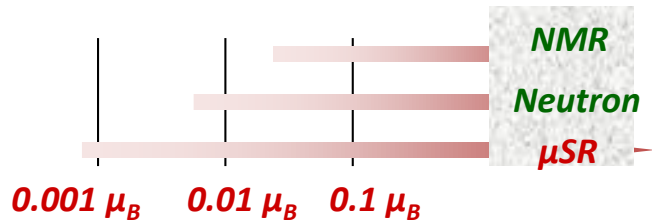


Low symmetric Interstitial position

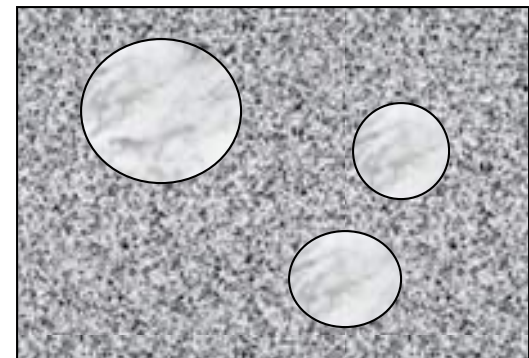
No cancellation



High sensitivity



Determination of Phase separation



Applicable to any kind of materials

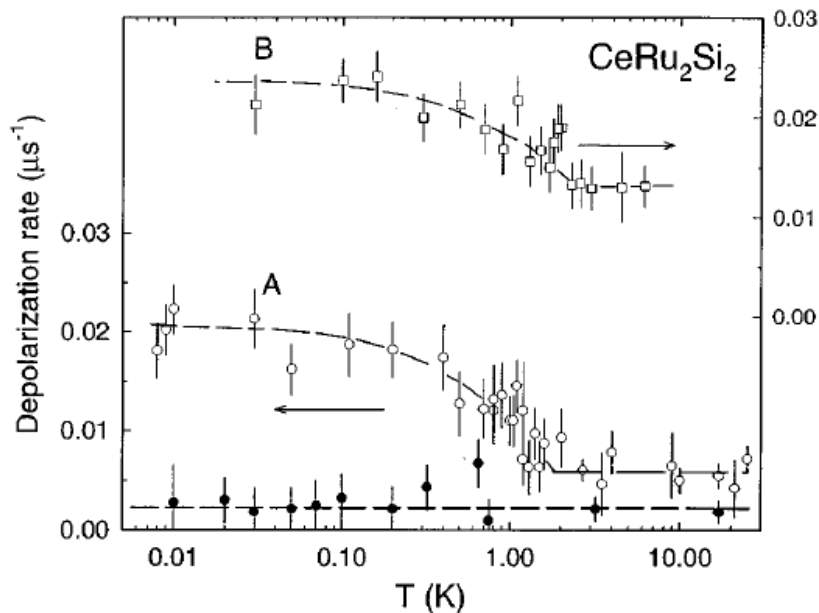
High sensitivity:

μSR time window 10-20 μs

$\gamma_\mu = 2\pi \times 13.55 \text{ kHz/G} \rightarrow 50 \text{ kHz detectable}$

$B \sim 0.1 \text{ mT}$

(corresponds to $0.001 \mu_B$ or nuclear moments)



Example

Magnetic ordering in CeRu_2Si_2

Magnetic order with $0.001 \mu_B/\text{Ce}$

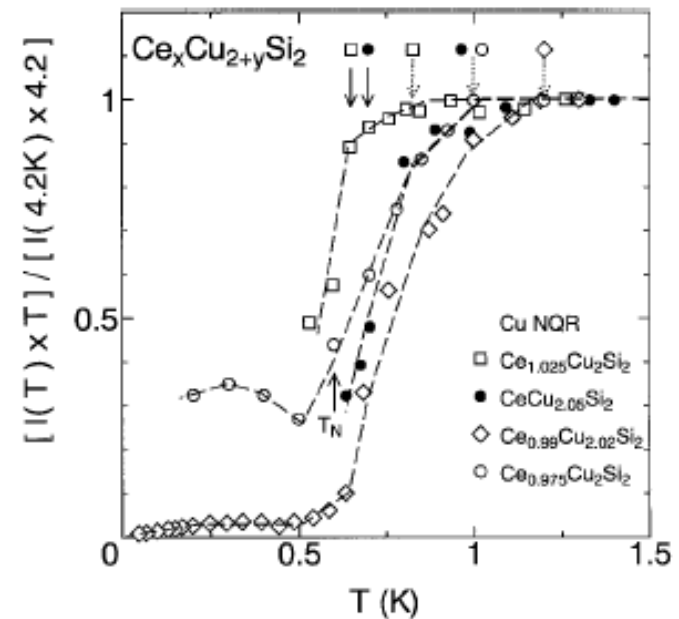
A. Amato, R. Feyerherm, F. N. Gygax, A. Schenck, J. Flouquet, and P. Lejay
Phys. Rev. B **50**, 619(R) (1994)



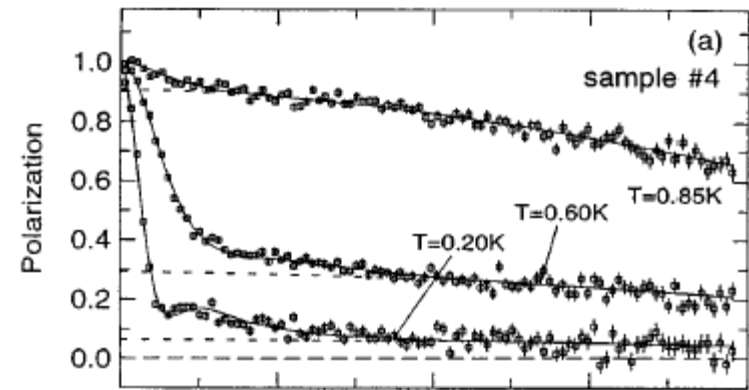
NMR “wipe out”

Signal disappear due to
fast fluctuation

μSR Slowly($\sim 3\text{MHz}$) fluctuated
weak magnetic ordered state

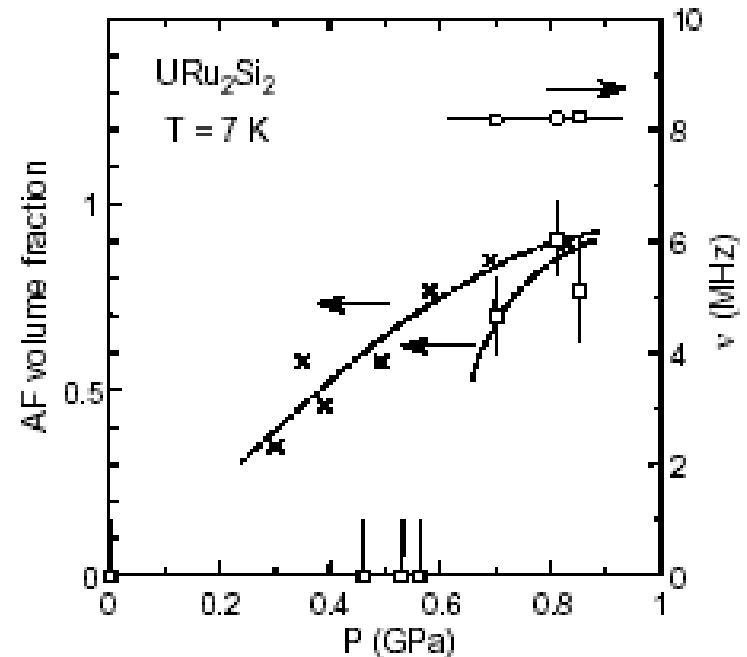
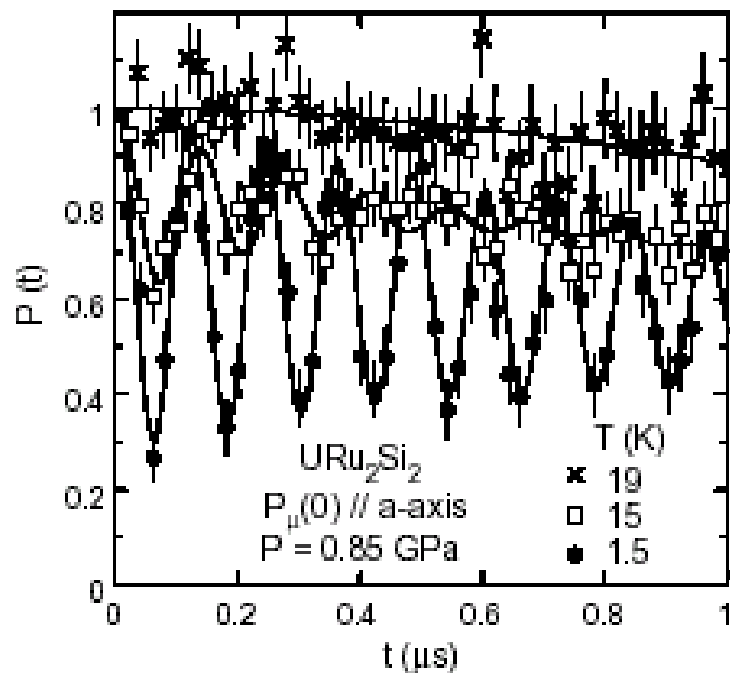


NMR Ishida et al., PRL1999



μSR Feyerhelm et al., PRB1997

Example URu_2Si_2



Magnetic Volume fraction can be identified.

H.Amitsuka et al. Physica B 326 (2003) 418-421

Low-temperature magnetic order and spin dynamics in YbRh₂Si₂

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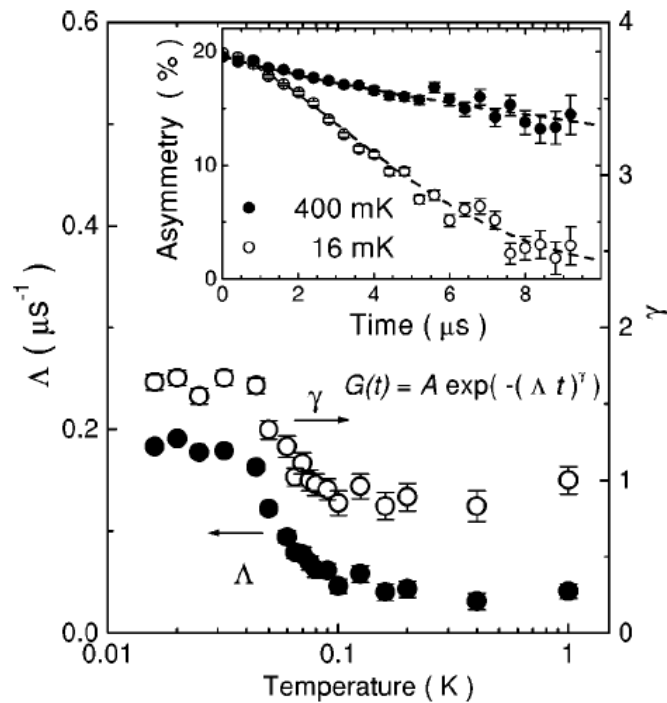
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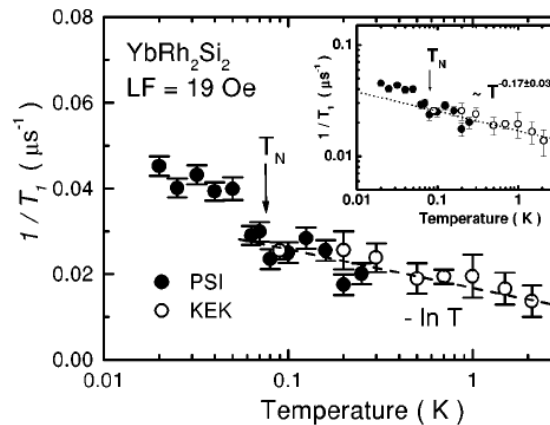
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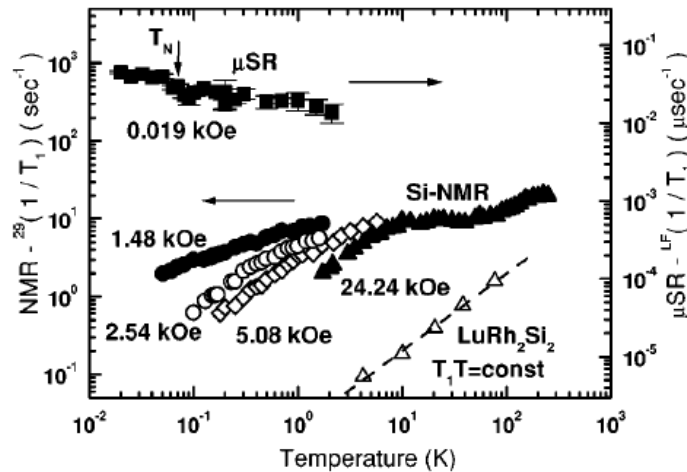


$$\frac{LF(1/T_1)}{{}^{29}(1/T_1)} = \left(\frac{\gamma_\mu A_\mu}{\gamma_{Si} A_{Si}} \right)^2$$



$1/T_1 \propto -\ln T$
SCR (2D-AFM)

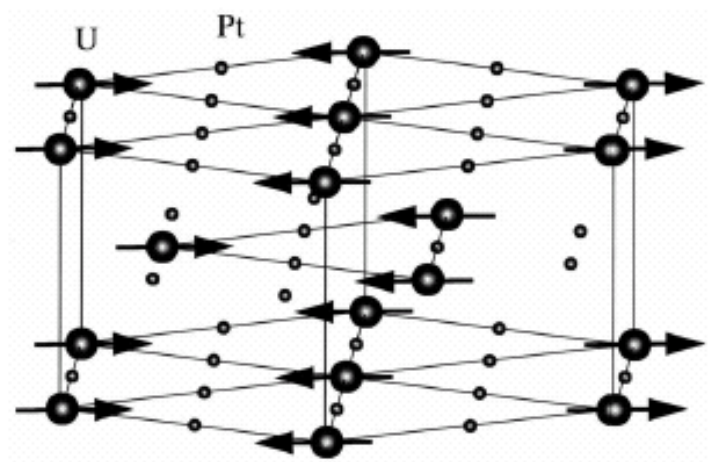
$H > 1.45 \text{ kG}$
Normal Fermi Liquid
 $1/TT_1 = \text{const}$



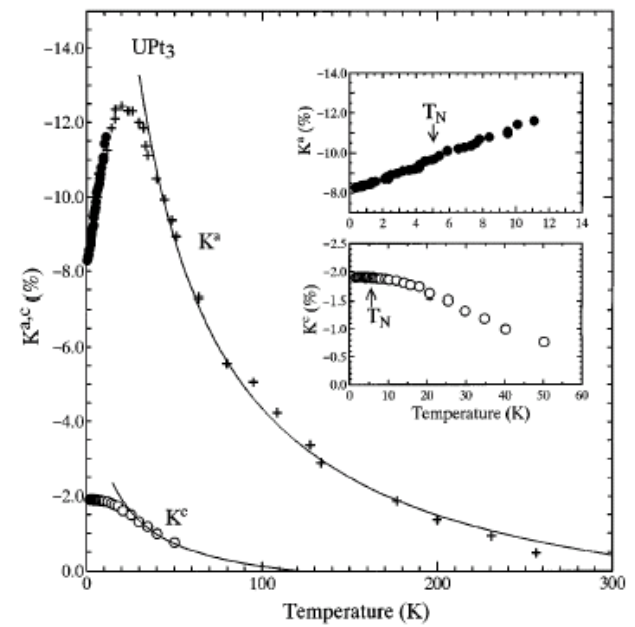
UPt3

- Antiferromagnetism at $T_N \sim 5K$ observed only by neutron
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- Other technique $\rightarrow$ no detection of AF (μ SR, NMR etc)

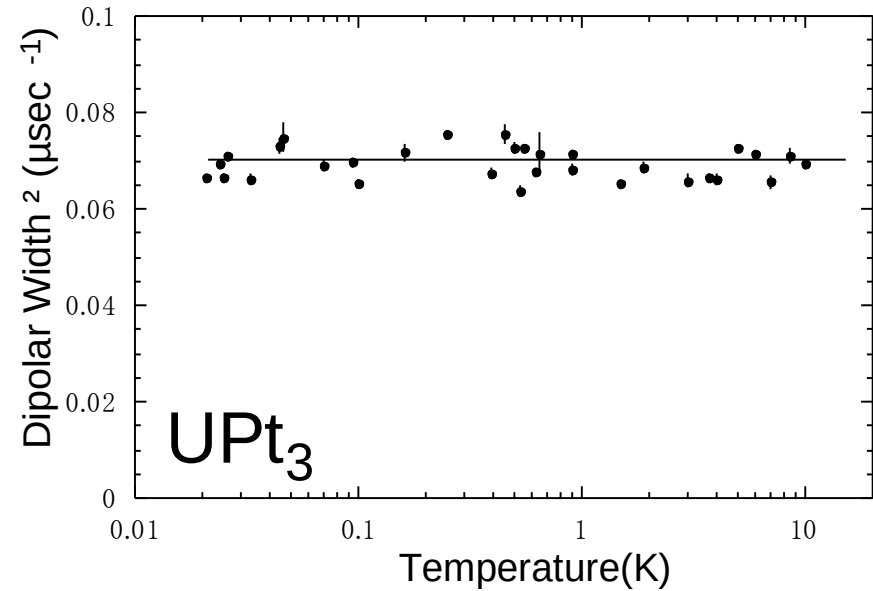
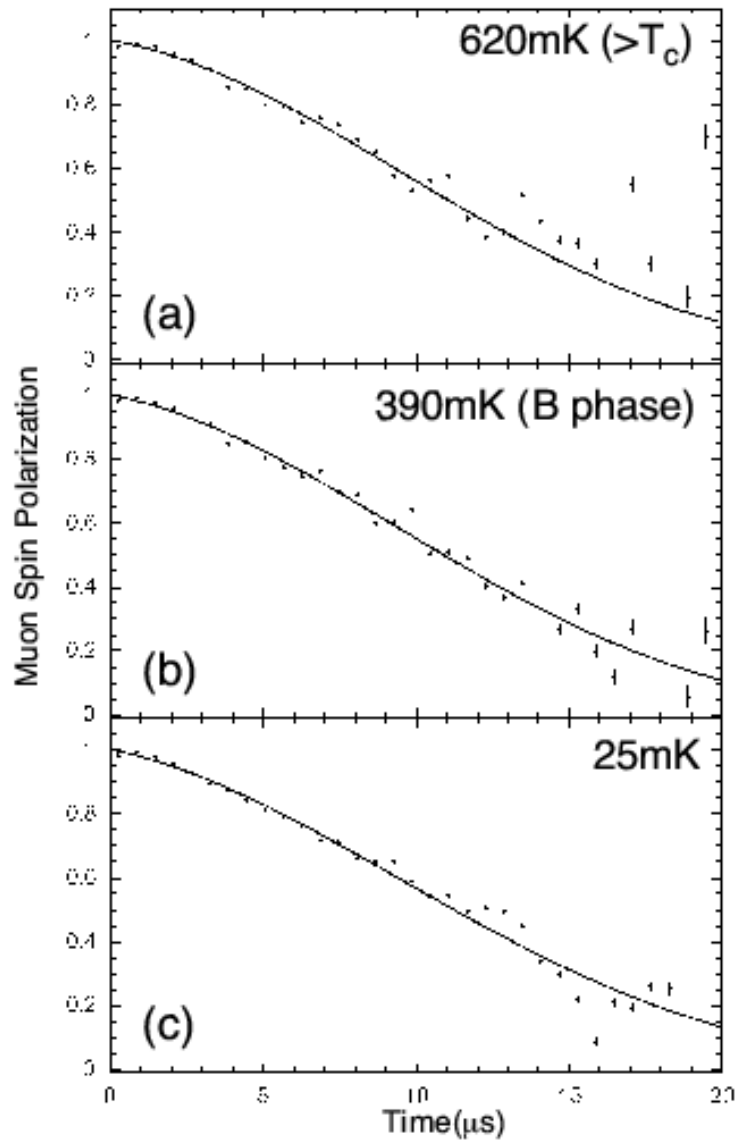
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Y.Koike et al., JPSJ 1998



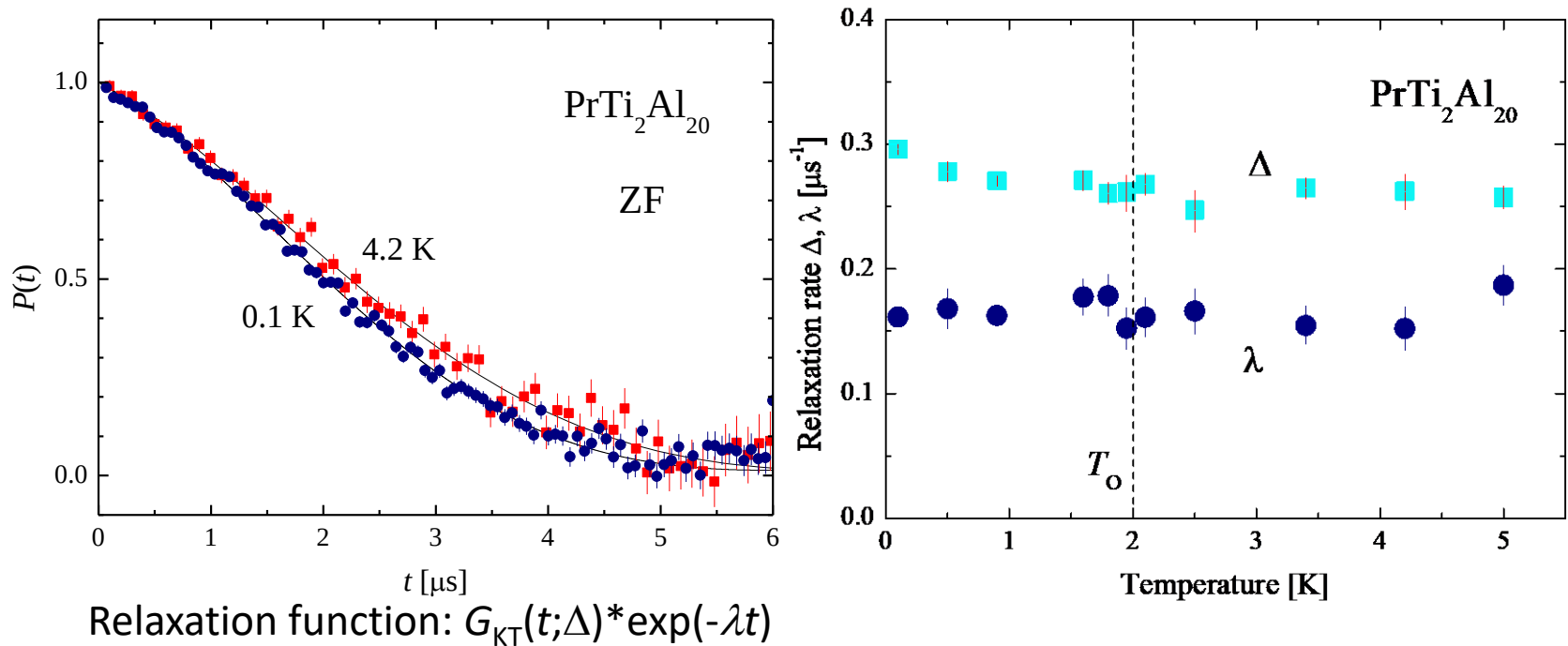
H.Tou et al., PRL1996



Only nuclear dipolar field
was seen!

W.Higemoto et al., Physica B 2000

PrTi₂Al₂₀: ZF-μSR



Gaussian Kubo-Toyabe relaxation due to an ²⁷Al nuclear dipolar field (static)

No significant change when passing through $T_Q = 2$ K.

⇒ Nonmagnetic order parameter
(consistent with the quadrupole ordering scenario)

Magnetism studied by using muon

Easily identify ordered state or
absence of magnetic order.

Single crystalline specimen is not required

Temperature dependence of the relaxation rate or
Muon spin precession frequency.

Critical behavior

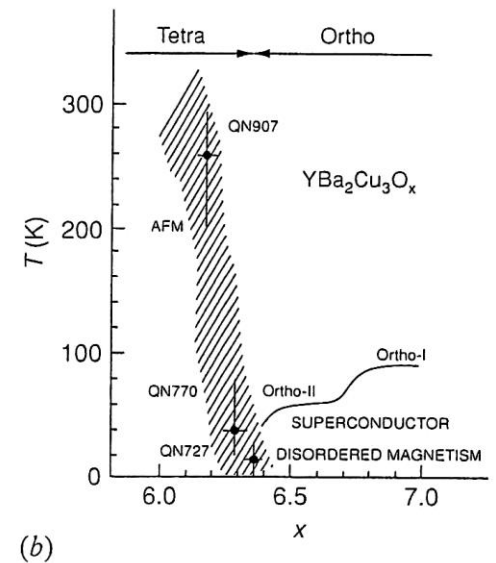
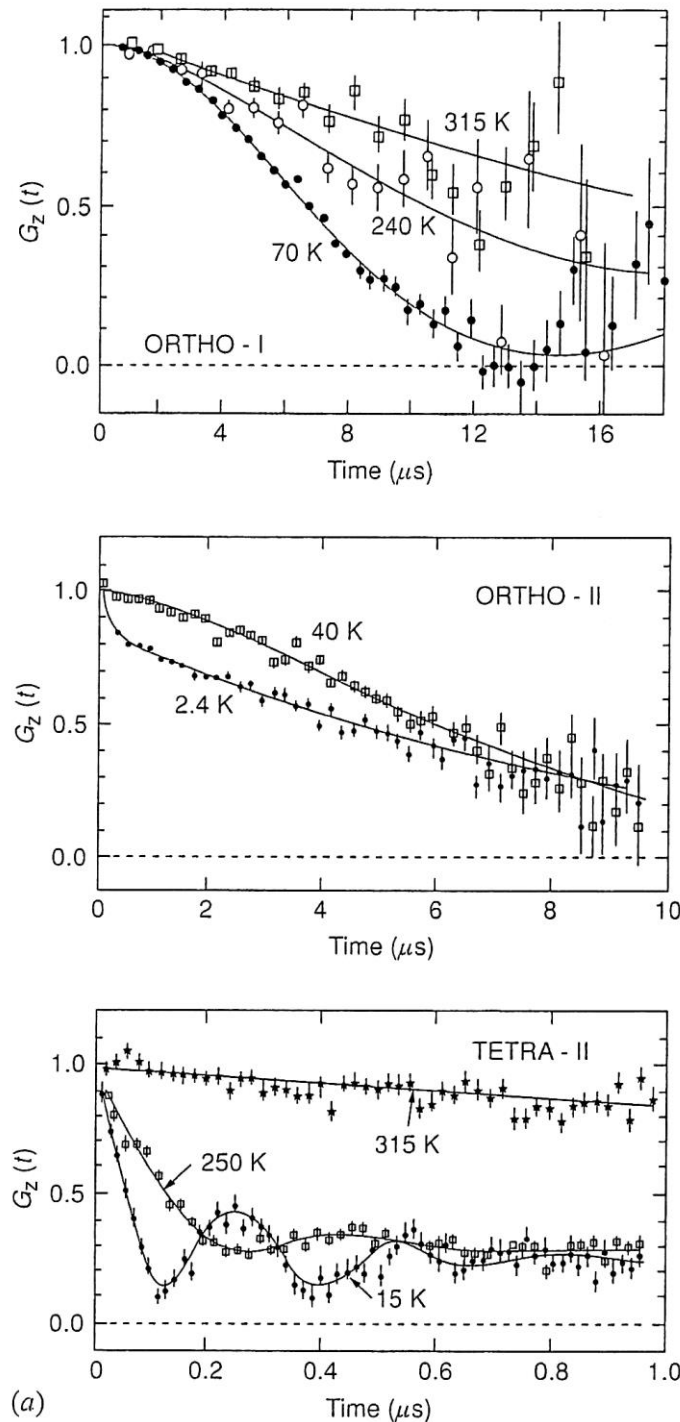
Magnetic Volume fraction

Magnetic structure is difficult to determine.

Superconductivity

Magnetism in High-Tc Superconductor

N.Nishida et al.
Jpn. J. Appl. Phys.,
26, L1856–L1858
(1987)



Electron Pairing in Superconductor

Conventional SC $\rightarrow$ BCS theory

isotropic pairing (s-wave)

isotropic Gap

Phonon mediated attractive interaction

High T_c Cuprate or heavy fermion systems etc,
non-s-wave superconductivity is appeared
due to strong electron correlation!

Pairing function depend on many properties,

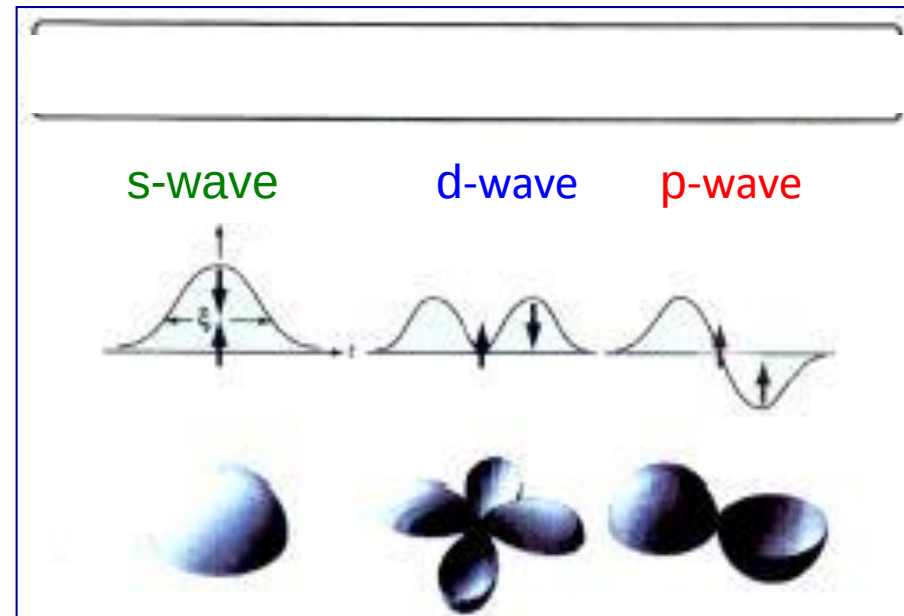
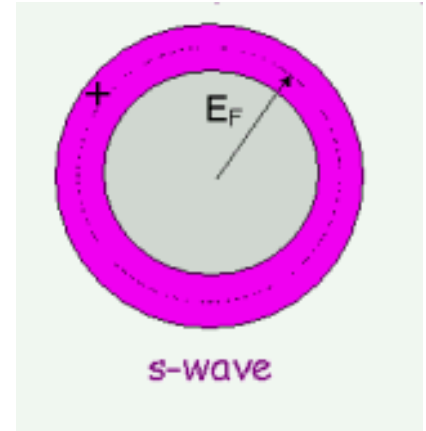
Pairing Interaction (Phonon, Magnetic, others)

Crystal structure,

Fermi surface

etc **COMPLEX**

Pairing symmetry is
important to know mechanism of SC!



μ SR Study on Superconductor

What we can know from μ SR?

- **Penetration Depth**

Temperature and Field Dependence

→ **SC Gap structure**

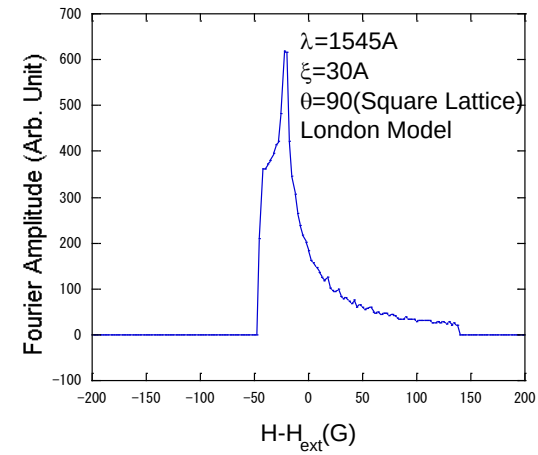
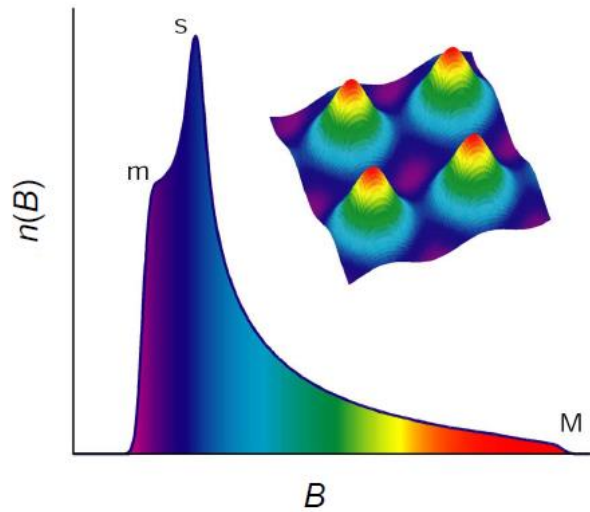
- **Coexistence or Interplay with Magnetism**

- **Pairing Symmetry of Cooper Pair**

- **Time Reversal Symmetry Broken or not**
 - Orbital and/or Spin**
 - only μ SR can be detected !**

- **Knight Shift** (**μ SR and NMR**)
 - Spin (Singlet or Triplet)**

etc.



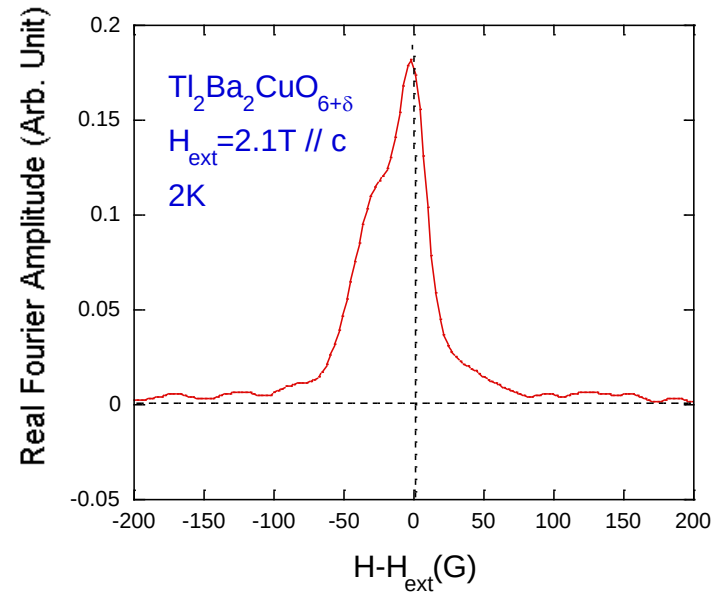
GL-model of spatial field profile:

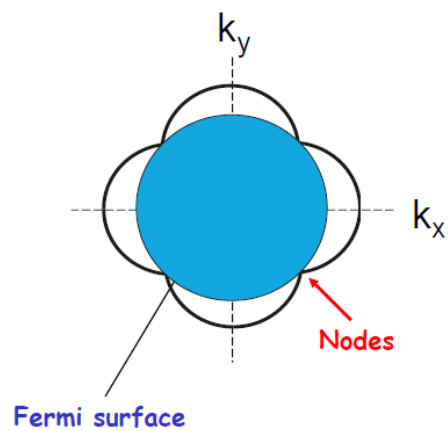
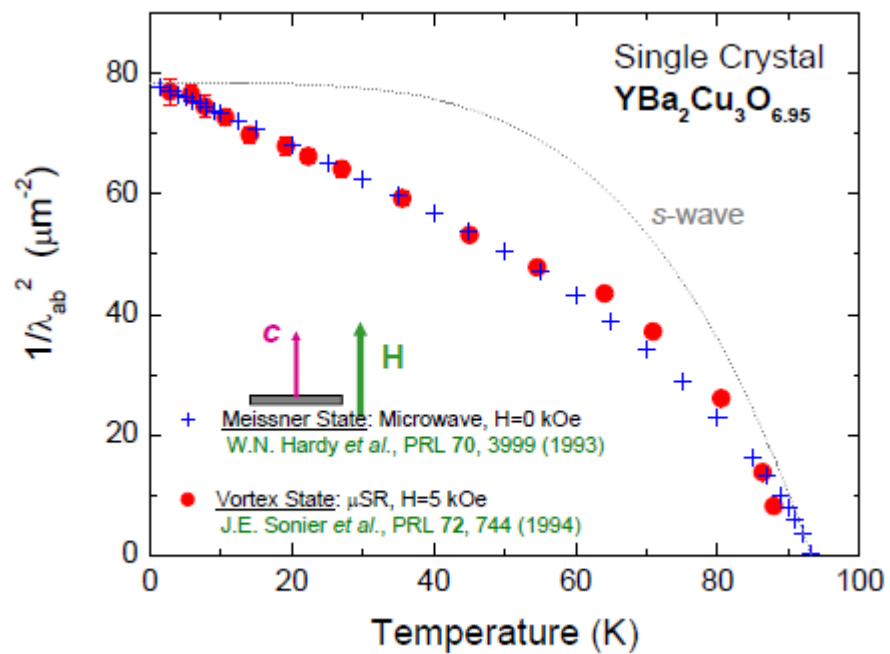
$$B(\vec{r}) = B_0(1 - b^4) \sum_{\vec{G}} \frac{u K_1(u) e^{-i\vec{G} \cdot \vec{r}}}{\lambda_{ab}^2 G^2}$$

$$b = \frac{B}{B_{c2}} \quad u^2 = 2\xi_{ab} G^2 (1 + b^4) [1 - 2b(1 - b)^2]$$

$\lambda_{ab} \equiv$ effective penetration depth

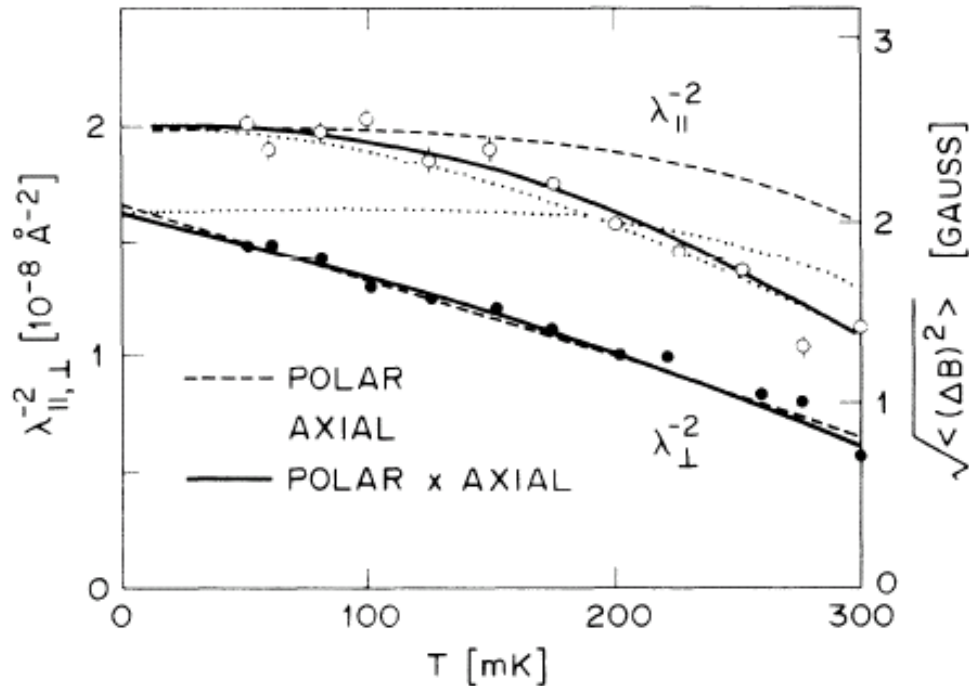
$\xi_{ab} \equiv$ effective vortex core size



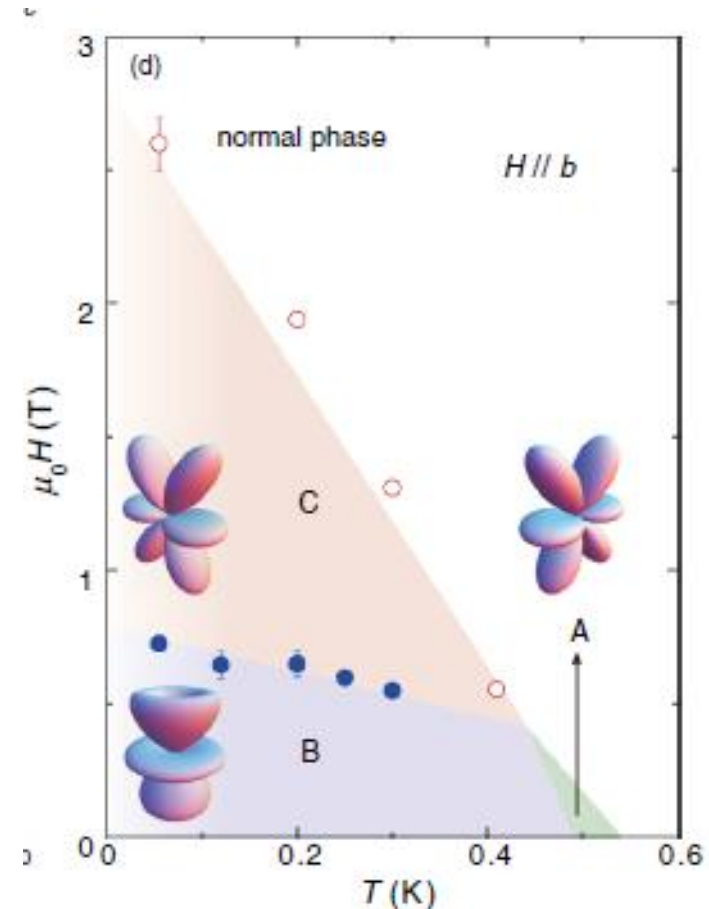


Temperature Dependence of Penetration Depth

Example UPt3



C. Broholm et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. **65**, 2062 (1990).



Y. Machida et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. **108**, 157002 (2012).

Purpose of present study

Determination of Symmetry of Cooper Pair

Superconducting State

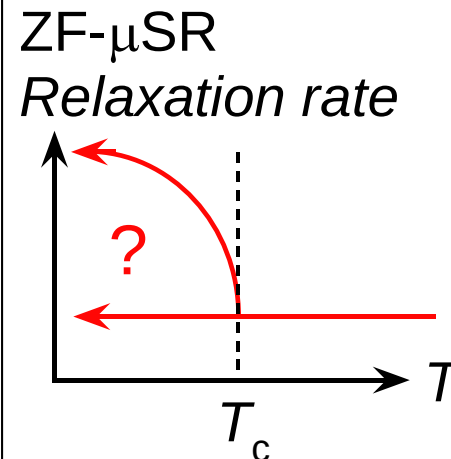
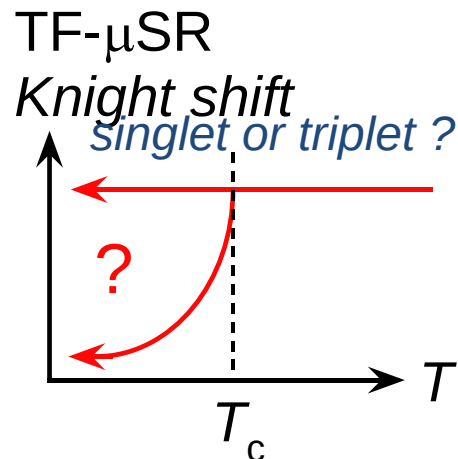
(**Angular momentum L**)

X

(**Total Spin S (singlet or triplet)**)

X

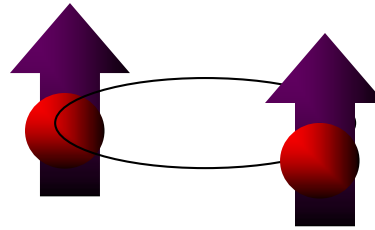
(**Time Reversal Symmetry**)



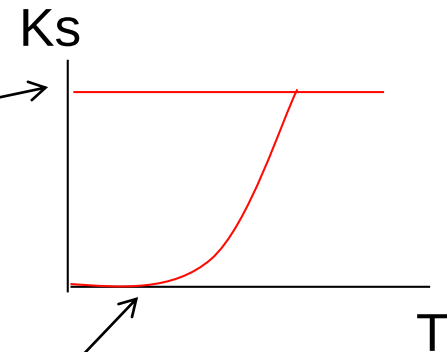
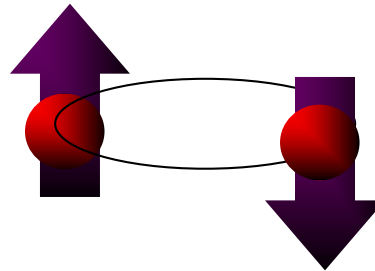
2 examples
PrOs₄Sb₁₂
Sr₂RuO₄

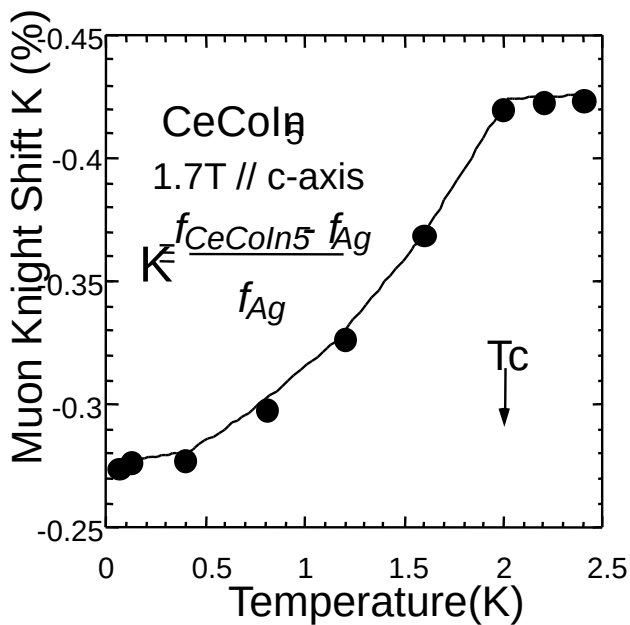
Knight shift $Ks = Ahf\chi_s = -4\mu_B \int Ns(E)(df/d\varepsilon)dE$

Spin triplet superconductor
rare case!

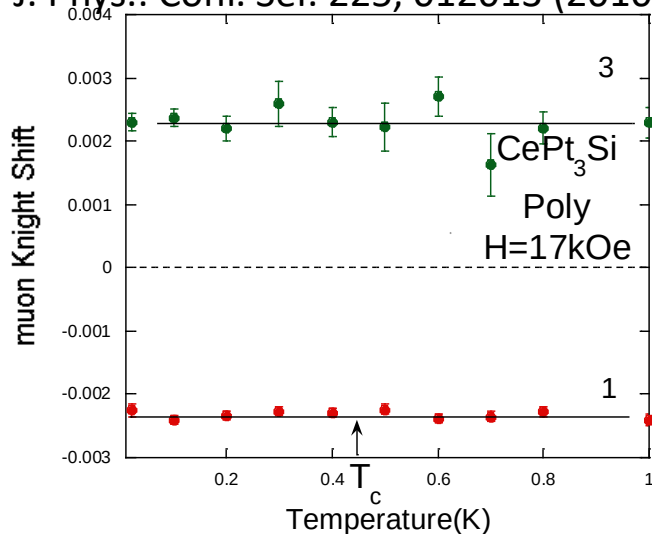


Spin singlet superconductor
BCS, d-wave etc

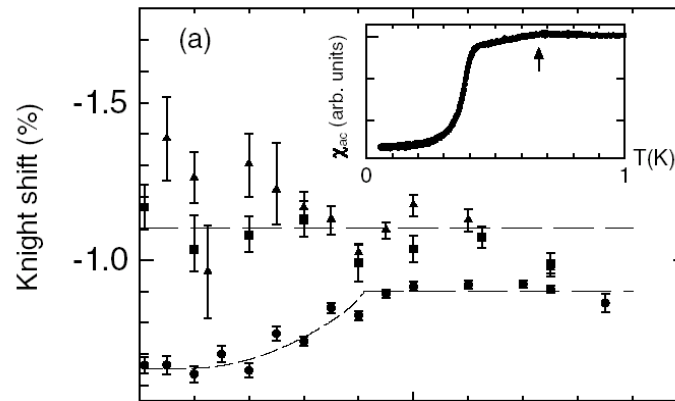




CeCoIn₅ Higemoto et al
J. Phys.: Conf. Ser. 225, 012013 (2010)



CePt₃Si Higemoto et al



CeCu_{1.99}Si_{2.02} Koda et al.
Journal of the Physical Society
of Japan, 71,1427-1430(2002).

mSR studies of Knight shift on HFSC

muon spin 1/2 advantage against NMR

invariant

CePt₃Si, PrOs₄Sb₁₂ etc

reduction

CeCoIn₅, CeCu₂Si₂, etc

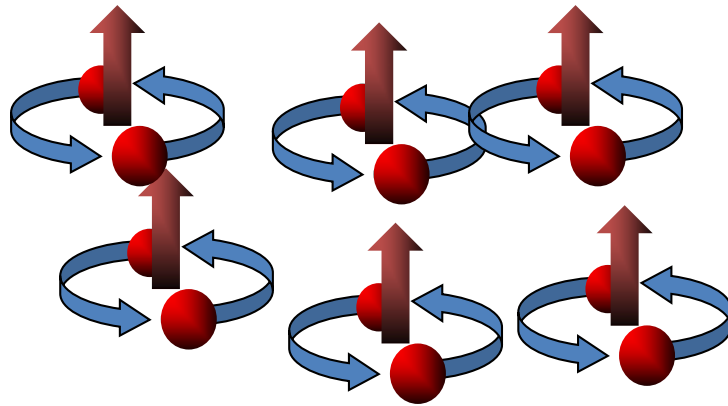
Time Reversal Symmetry Breaking Superconductivity

*“Alignment” of Cooper Pair
Total Spin $S \neq 0$ and/or Total Angular Momentum $L \neq 0$
($\Leftrightarrow$ Conventional BCS Superconductor $S=L=0$)*

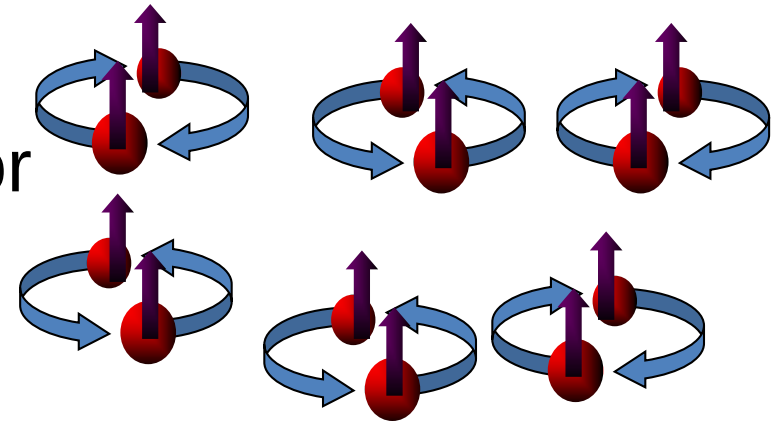
*Local Field!!
Directory
Detected
by muon*

$L \neq 0$

$S \neq 0$



and/or



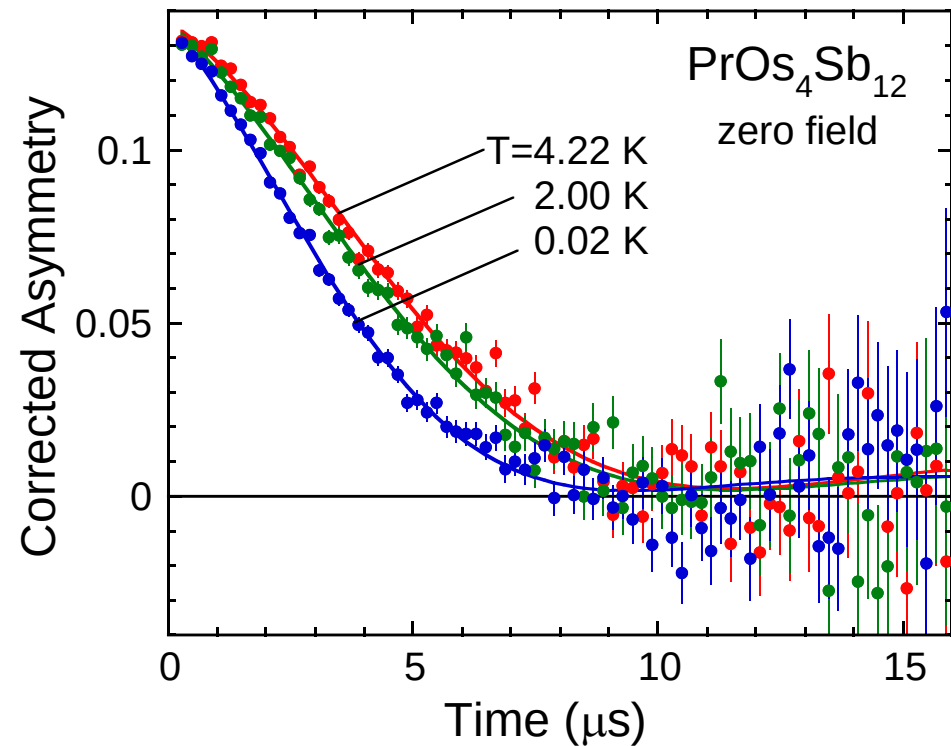
Very weak local field appears

Bulk measurement $\rightarrow$ cancelled out due to domain structure

Highly sensitive probe, Muon, can detect this field!

Very rare! Only 2 examples are confirmed.

Time Reversal Symmetry Breaking SC

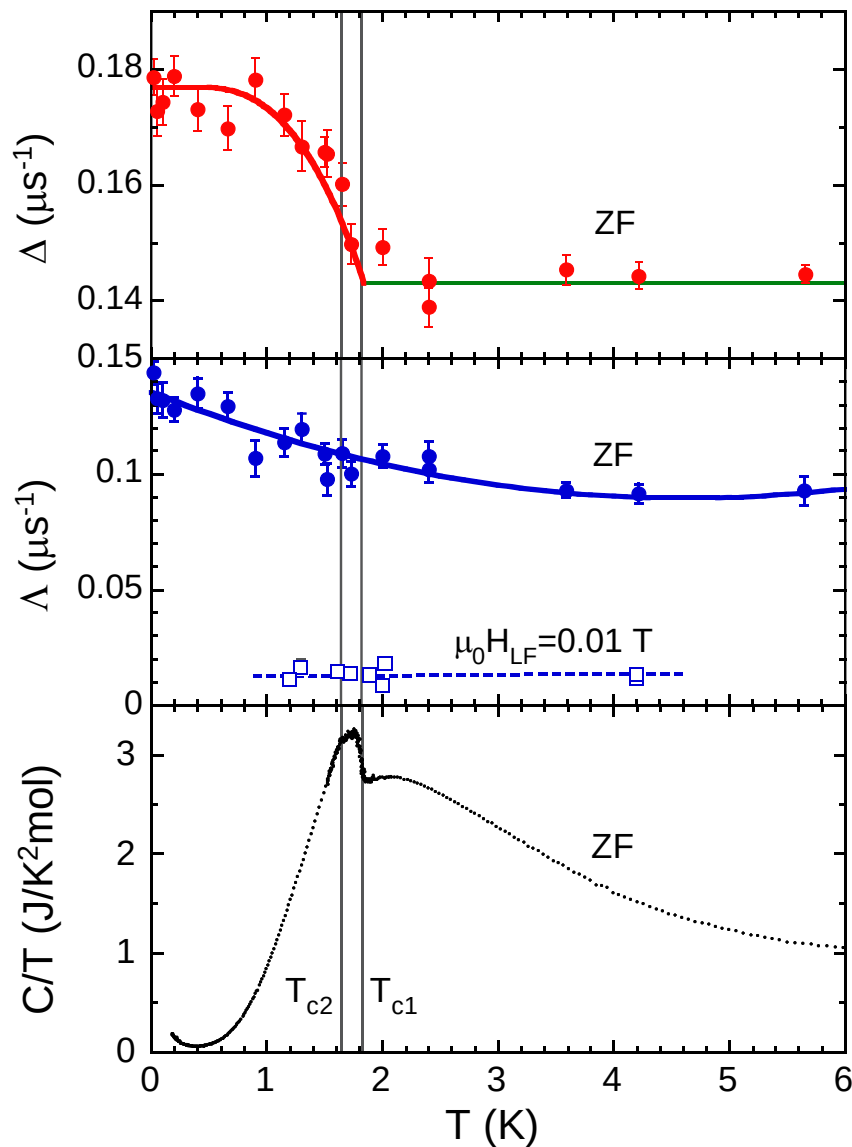


$$P_{\mu} = \exp(-\Delta t) \cdot G z^{KT}(\Delta, t) \quad \text{where}$$

$$\Delta = (\Delta_{SC}^2 + \Delta n^2)^{1/2}$$

Δ significant increase in the SC state

$$\Delta_{SC}(T=0) \rightarrow \sim 1.2 \text{ G}$$



Y.Aoki, WH et al.,
PRL **91** (2003) 067003

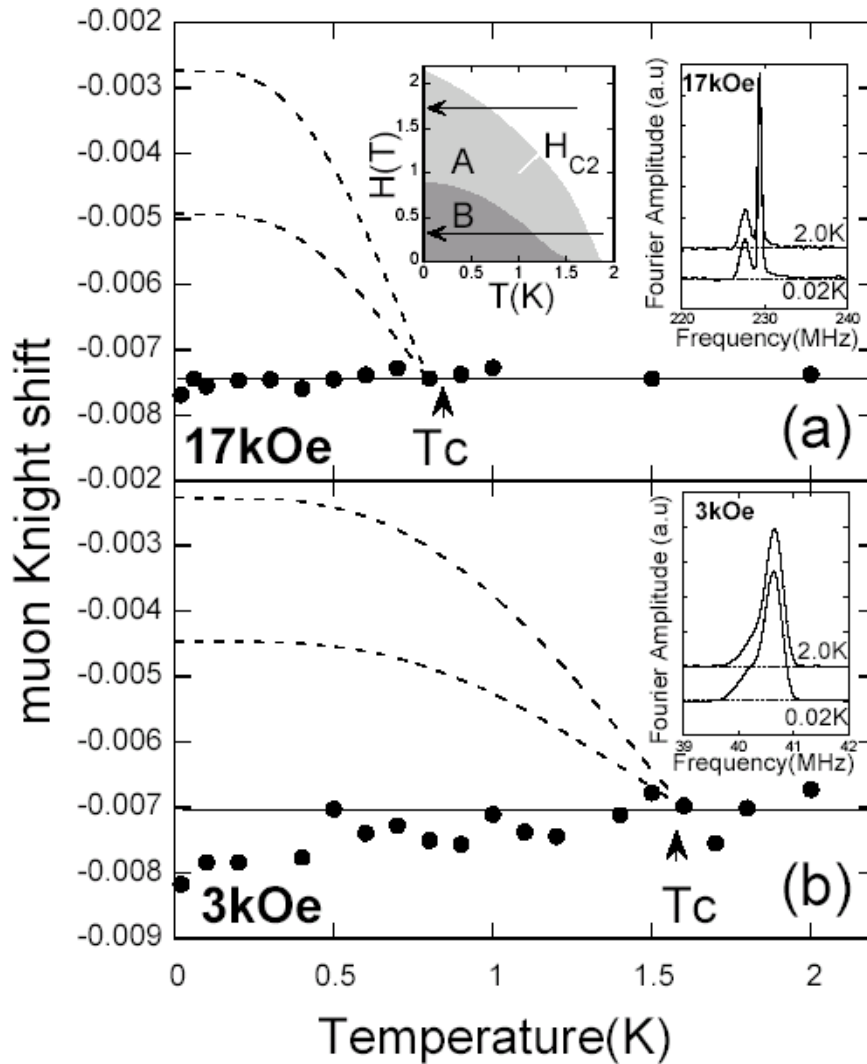
Muon Knight Shift measurements

Knight shift independent on temperature above and below T_c

Suggestion of **Spin triplet** SC

Consistent with NMR

W.Higemoto et al.,
PRB75 020510-1-4 (2007).



$$K^{\text{qp}} = \frac{A_{\text{hf}}}{N_A \mu_B} \frac{\gamma_{\text{el}} g_J^2 J_{\text{eff}}^2 \mu_B^2}{\pi^2 k_B^2} R.$$

μ SR Study on Superconductor

What we can know from μ SR?

- **Penetration Depth**

Temperature and Field Dependence

→ **SC Gap structure**

- **Coexistence or Interplay with Magnetism**

- **Pairing Symmetry of Cooper Pair**

- **Time Reversal Symmetry Broken or not**
 - Orbital and/or Spin**
 - only μ SR can be detected !**

- **Knight Shift** (**μ SR and NMR**)
 - Spin (Singlet or Triplet)**

etc.

SUMMARY: Research with muon

From basic science to industrial application

Basic Science

Materials science

Superconductivity
Magnetism
Quantum diffusion
Hydrogen related phenomena

Chemistry

Hydrogen related chemical
reaction

Particle Physics

g-2
Super symmetry
Rare decay

Muon catalyzed fusion
Energy problems

Biology

Protein, DNA
Electronic state

Beam development

Beam cooling

Applications

Non destructive analysis

Element analysis inside
sample

Industrial applications

Hydrogen energy
Semiconductors
Battery