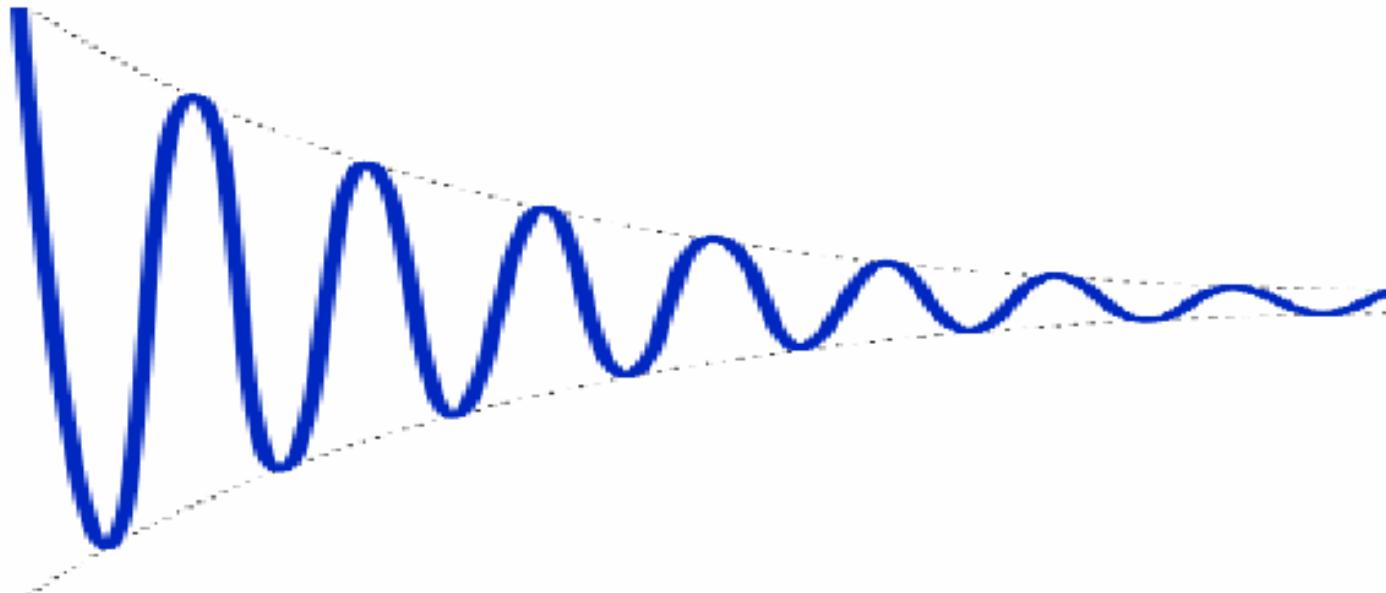


Damping of magnetization dynamics

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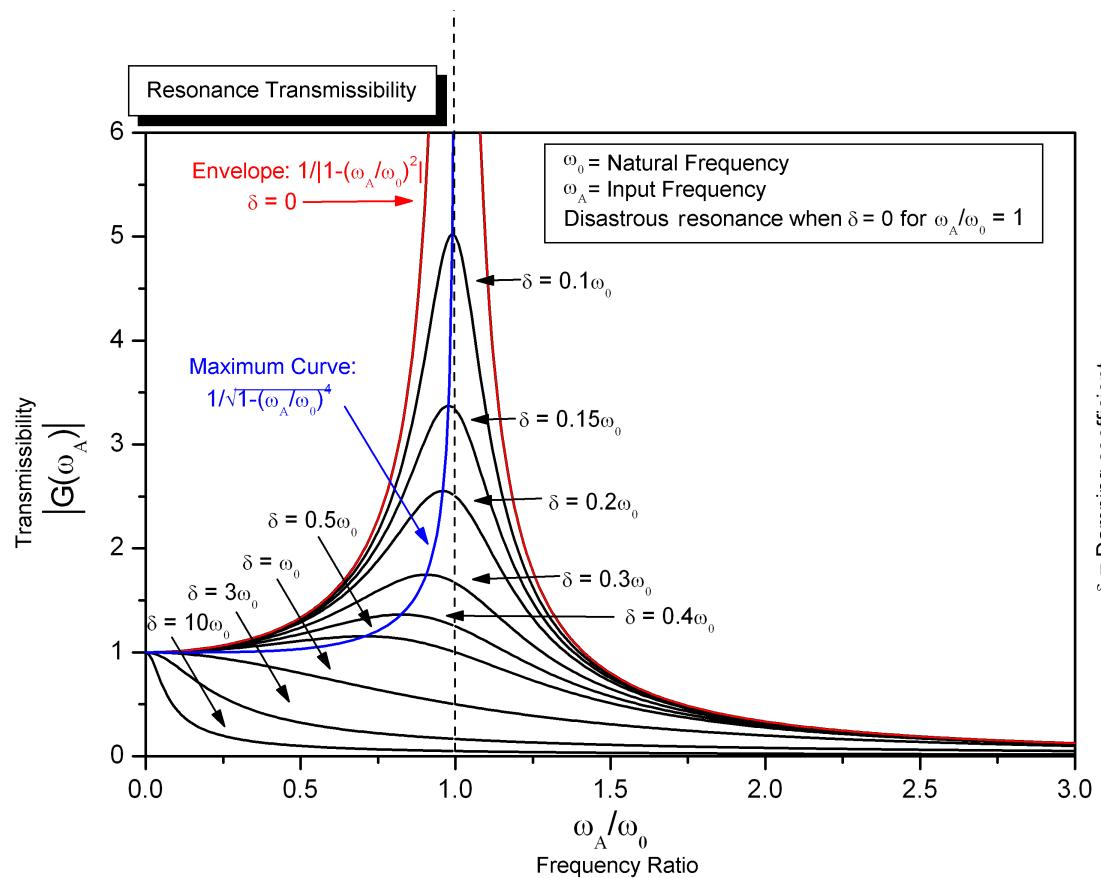


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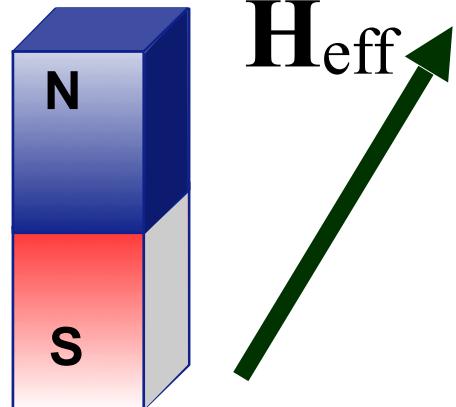
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This article is about damped harmonic oscillators. For detailed mathematical description of the harmonic oscillator including forcing and damping, see [Harmonic oscillator](#). For damping in music, see [Damping \(music\)](#).

Damping is an influence within or upon an [oscillatory system](#) that has the effect of reducing, restricting or preventing its oscillations. In physical systems, damping is produced by processes that dissipate the energy stored in the oscillation. Examples include [viscous drag](#) in mechanical systems, [resistance](#) in [electronic oscillators](#), and absorption and scattering of light in [optical oscillators](#). Damping not based on energy loss can be important in other oscillating systems such as those that occur in [biological systems](#).



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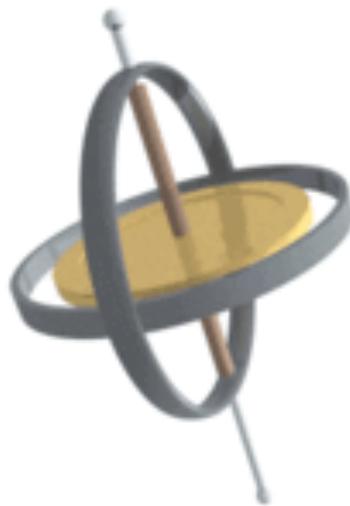


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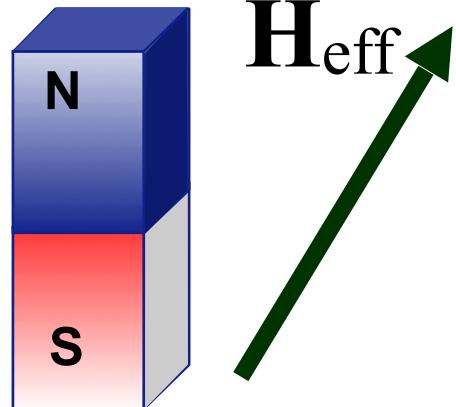
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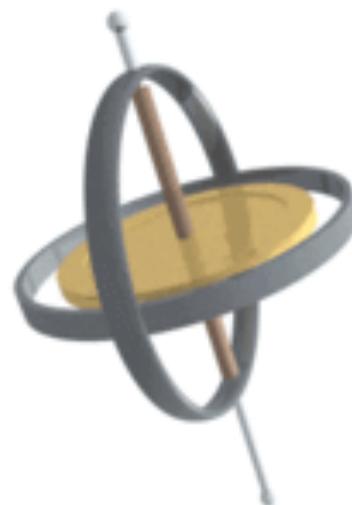
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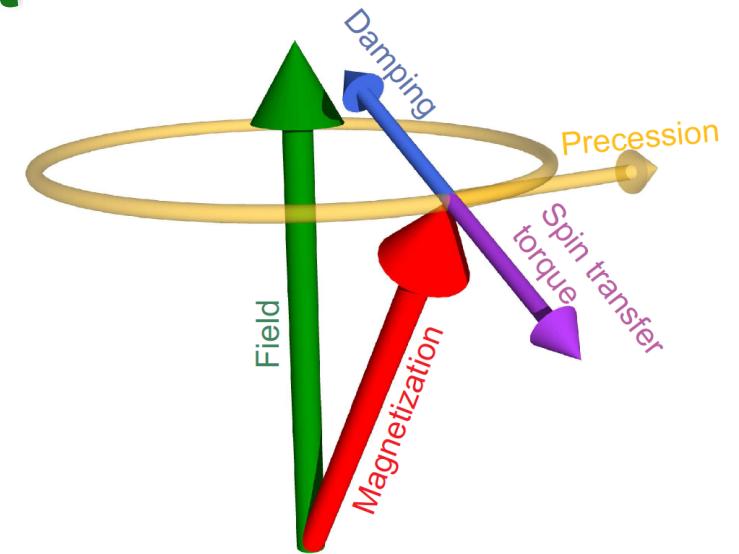
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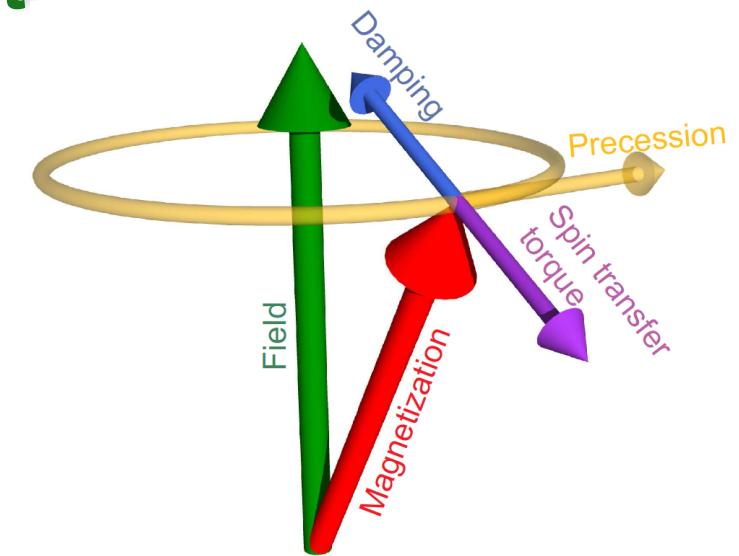
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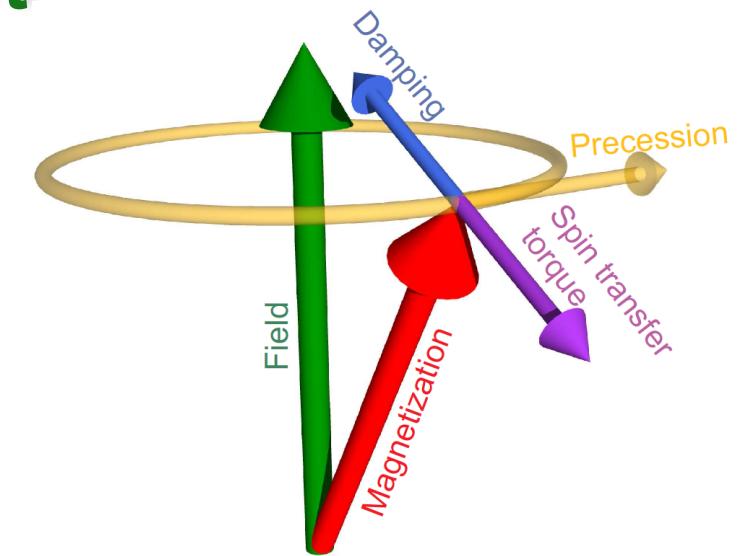
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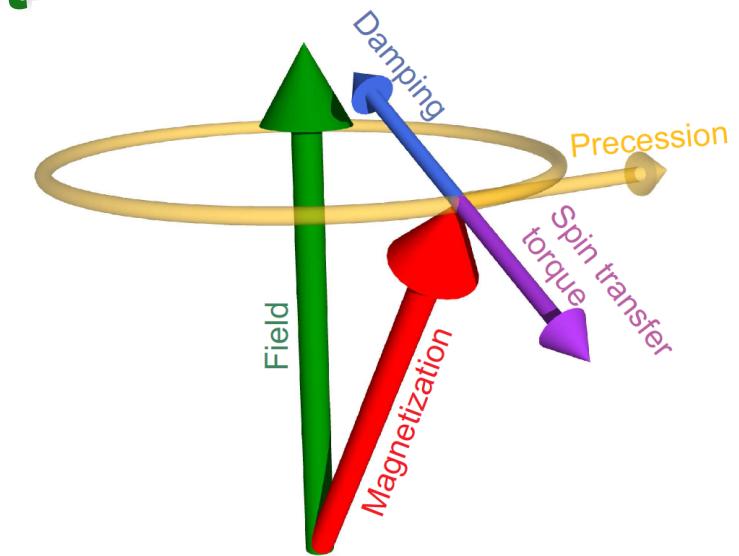
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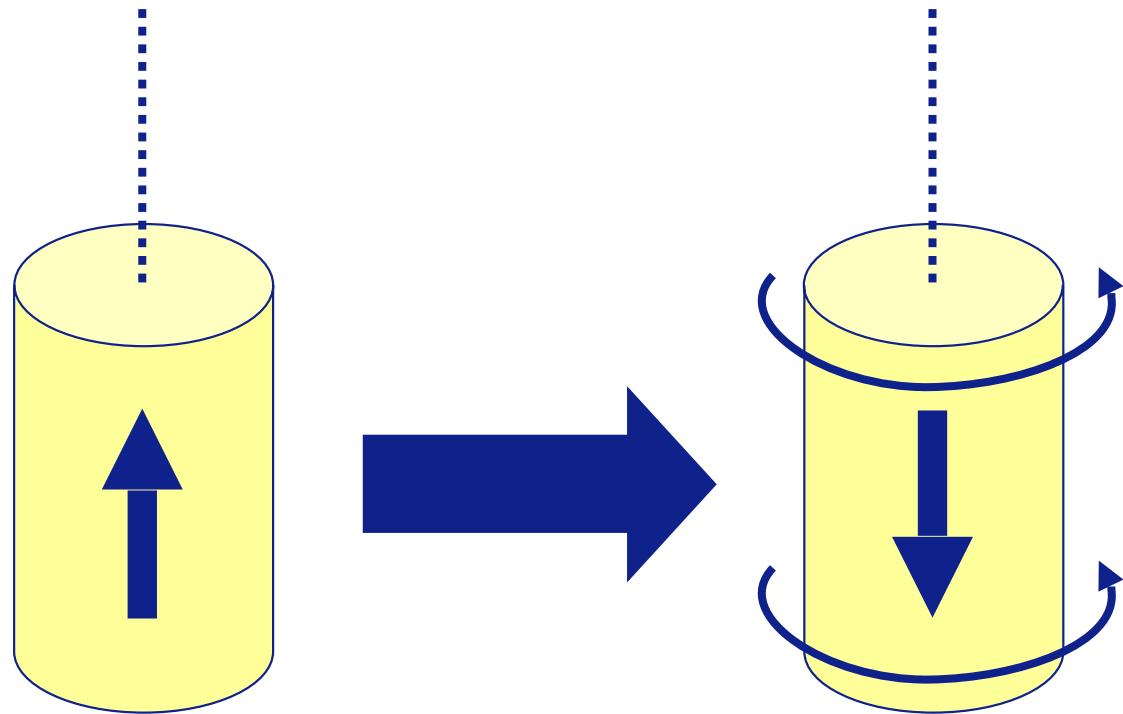
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To remember: magnetization = angular momentum



Einstein – de Haas & Barnett effects

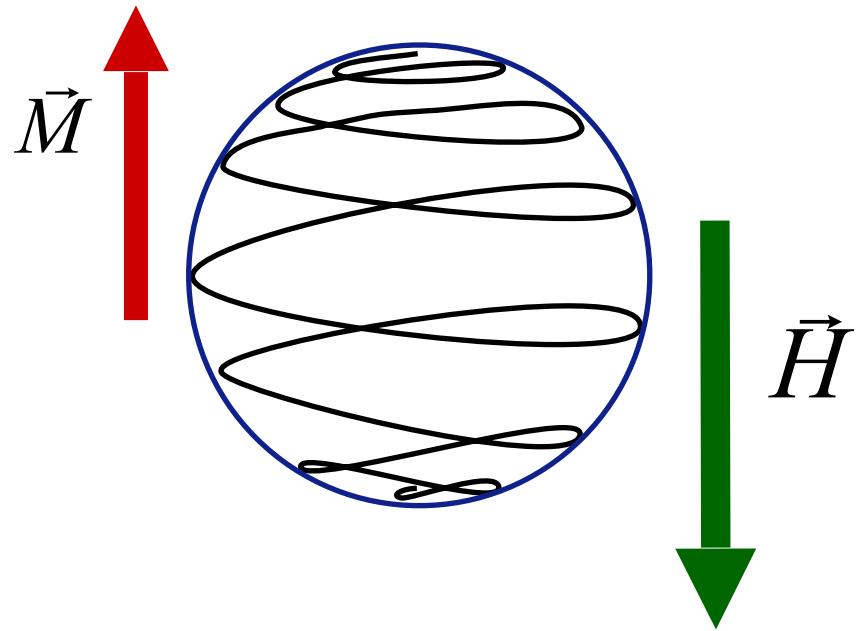


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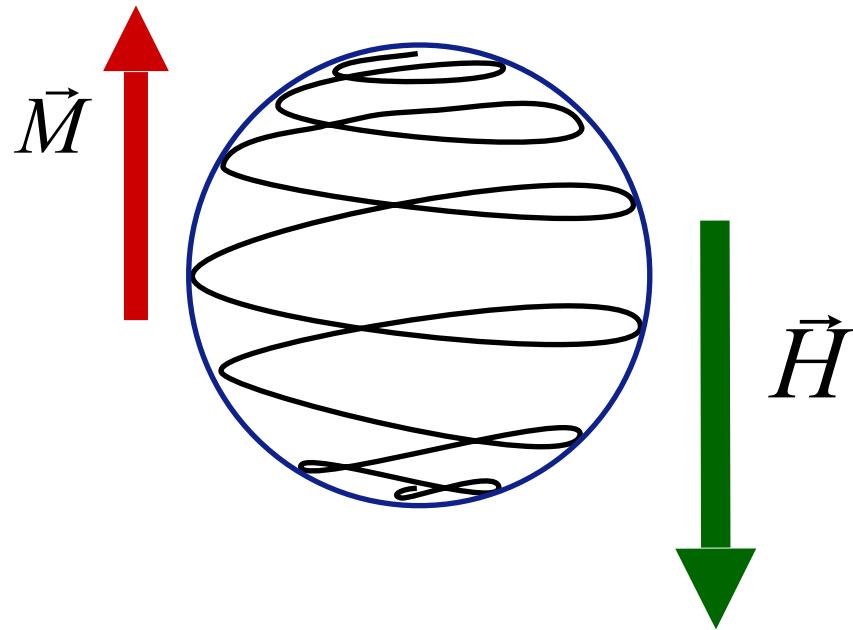
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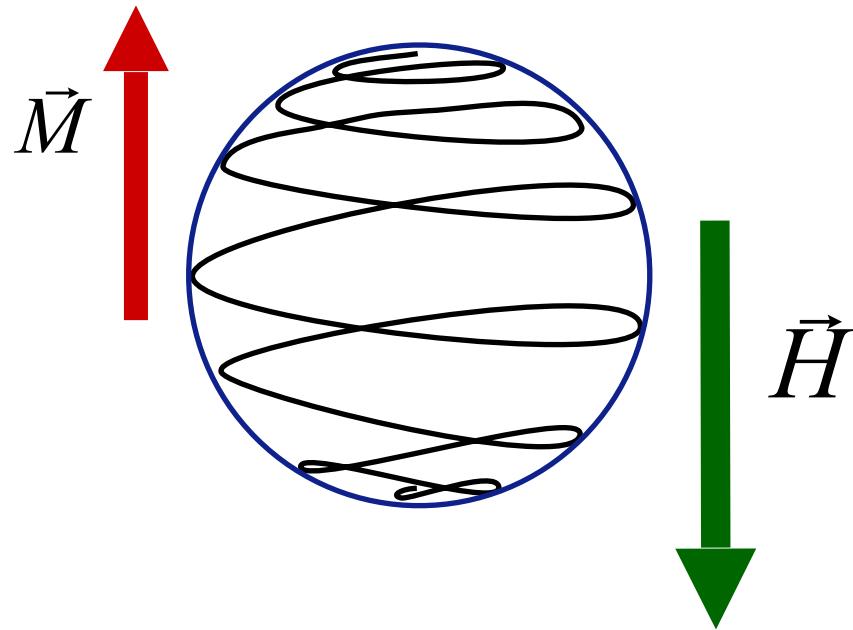


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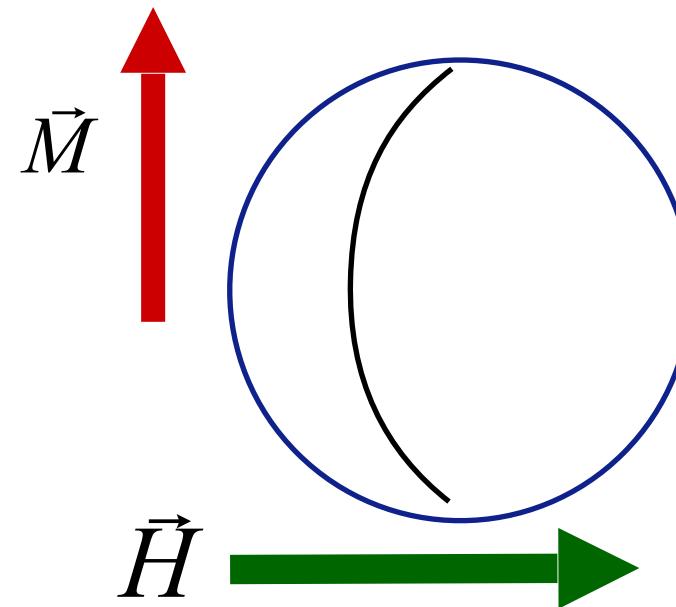
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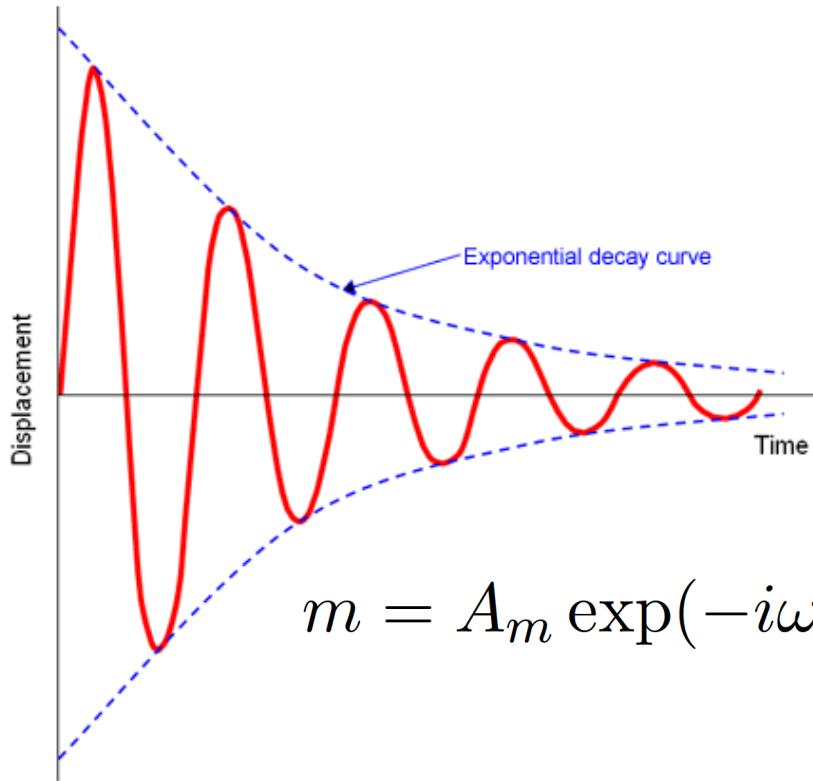
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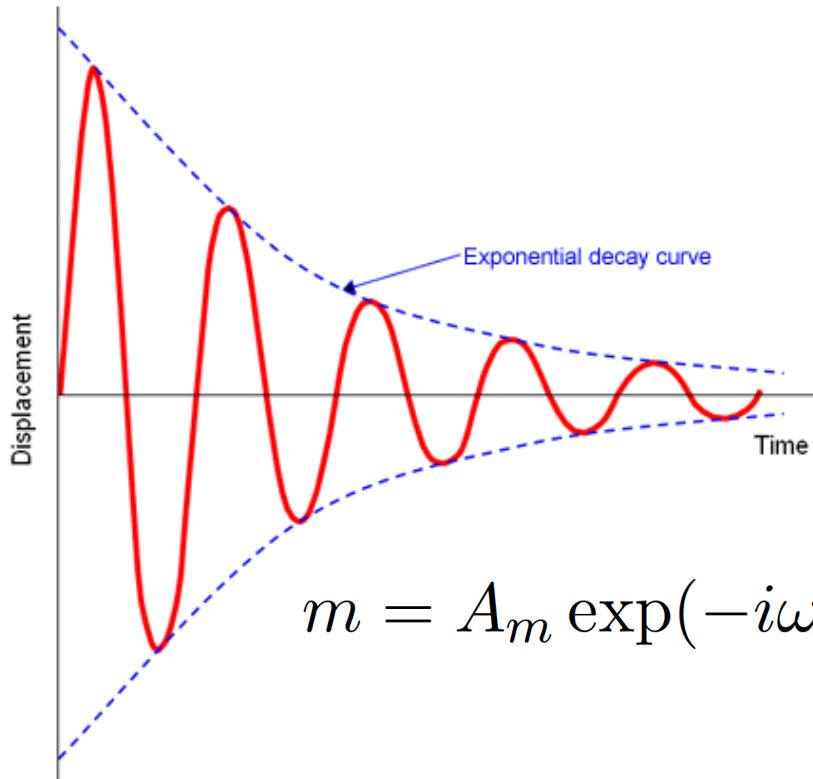
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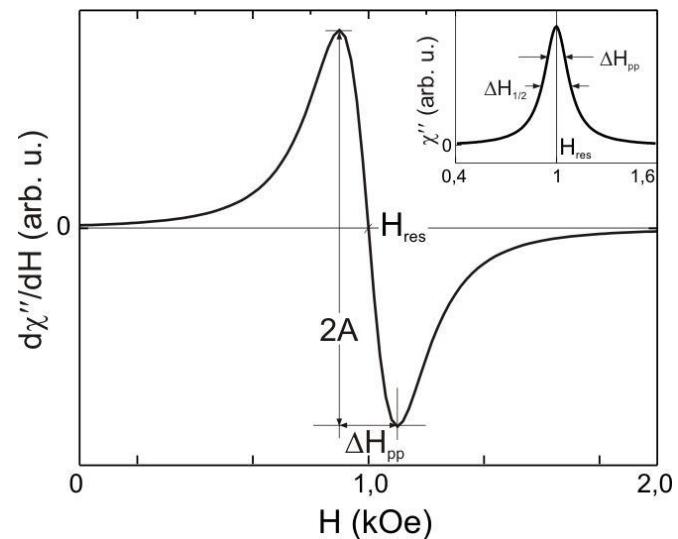
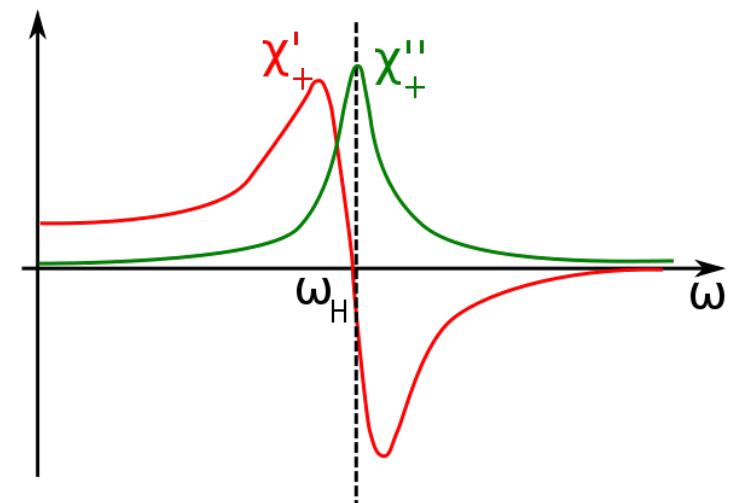
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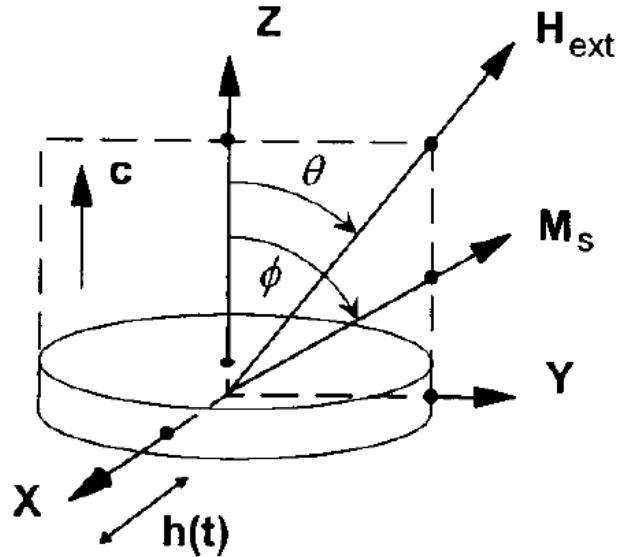
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Example 1: thin film configuration



from the condition that the net torque on M is zero:

$$4H_{\text{ext}} \sin(\theta - \phi) = [4\pi M_s(1 - 3N_Z) + 2H_A] \sin(2\phi)$$

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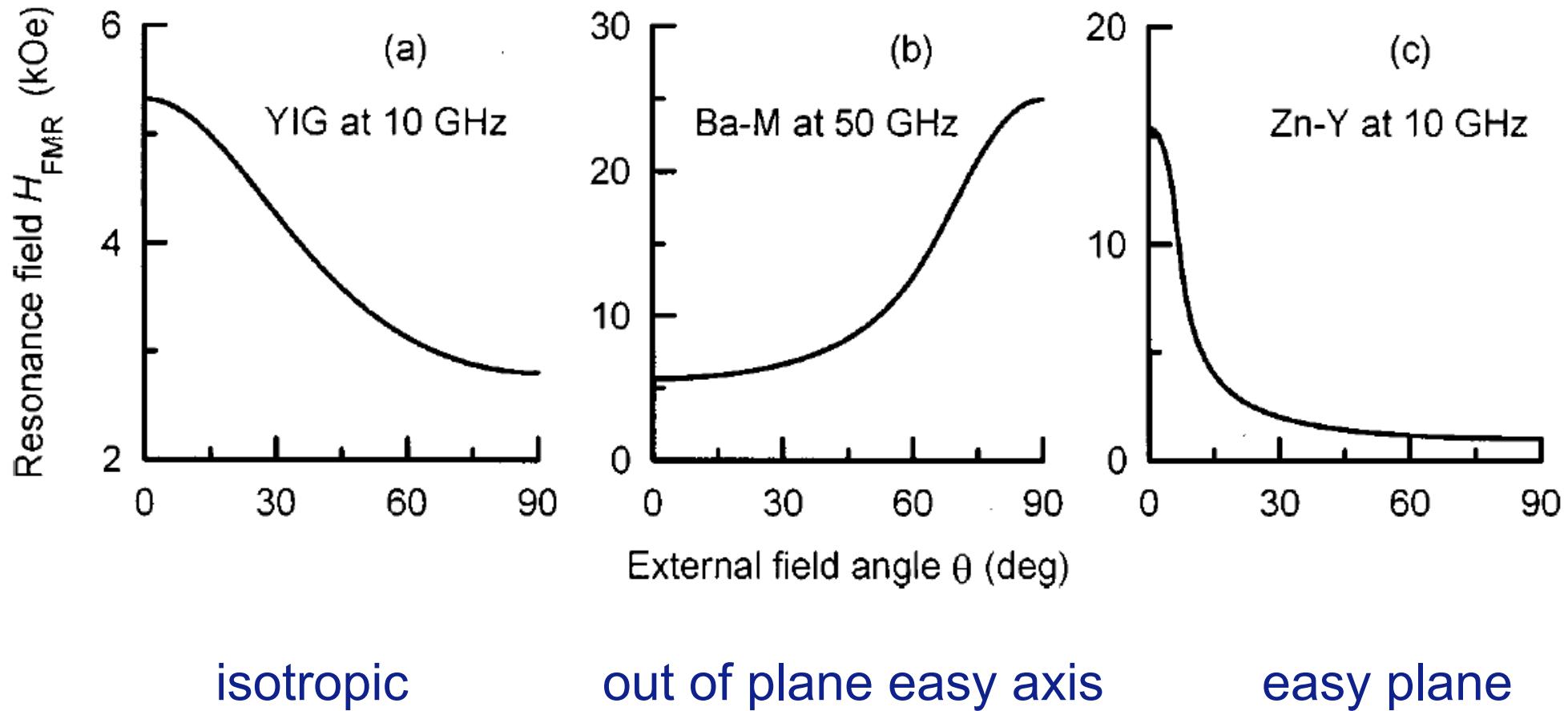
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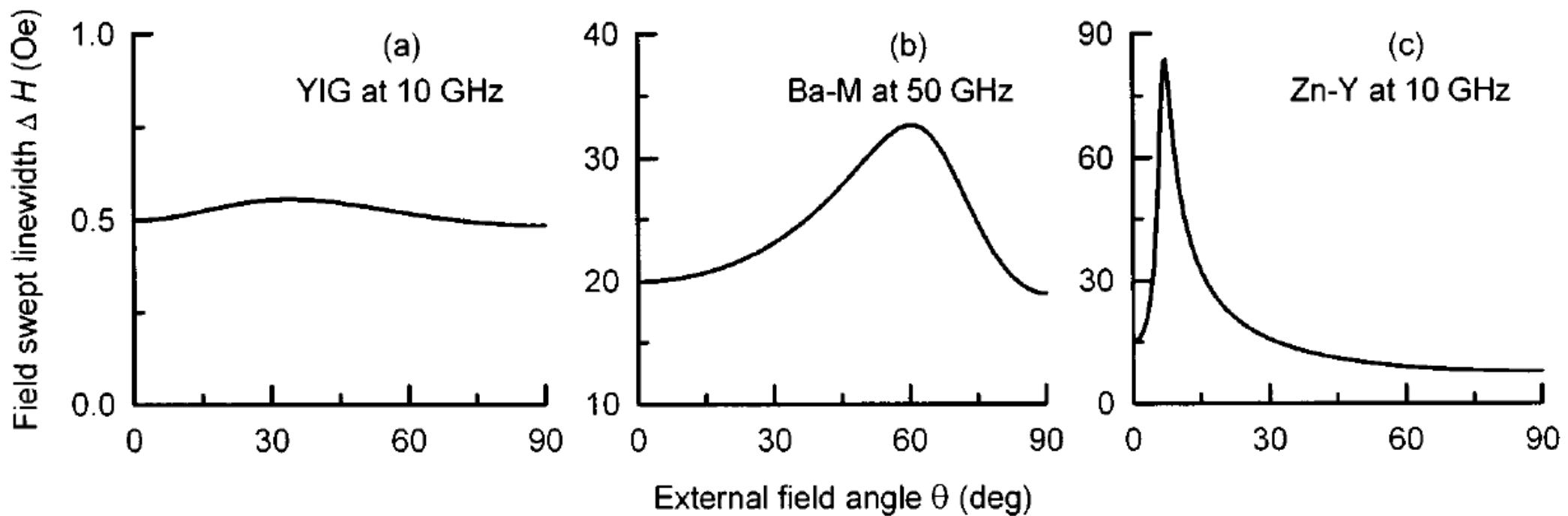
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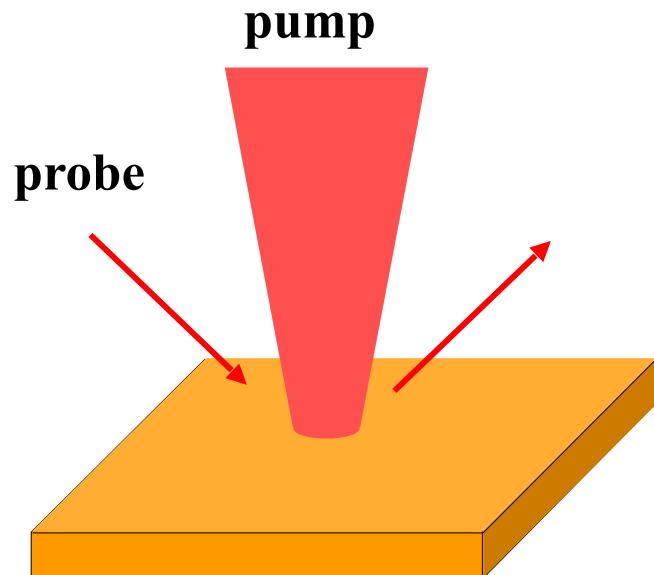
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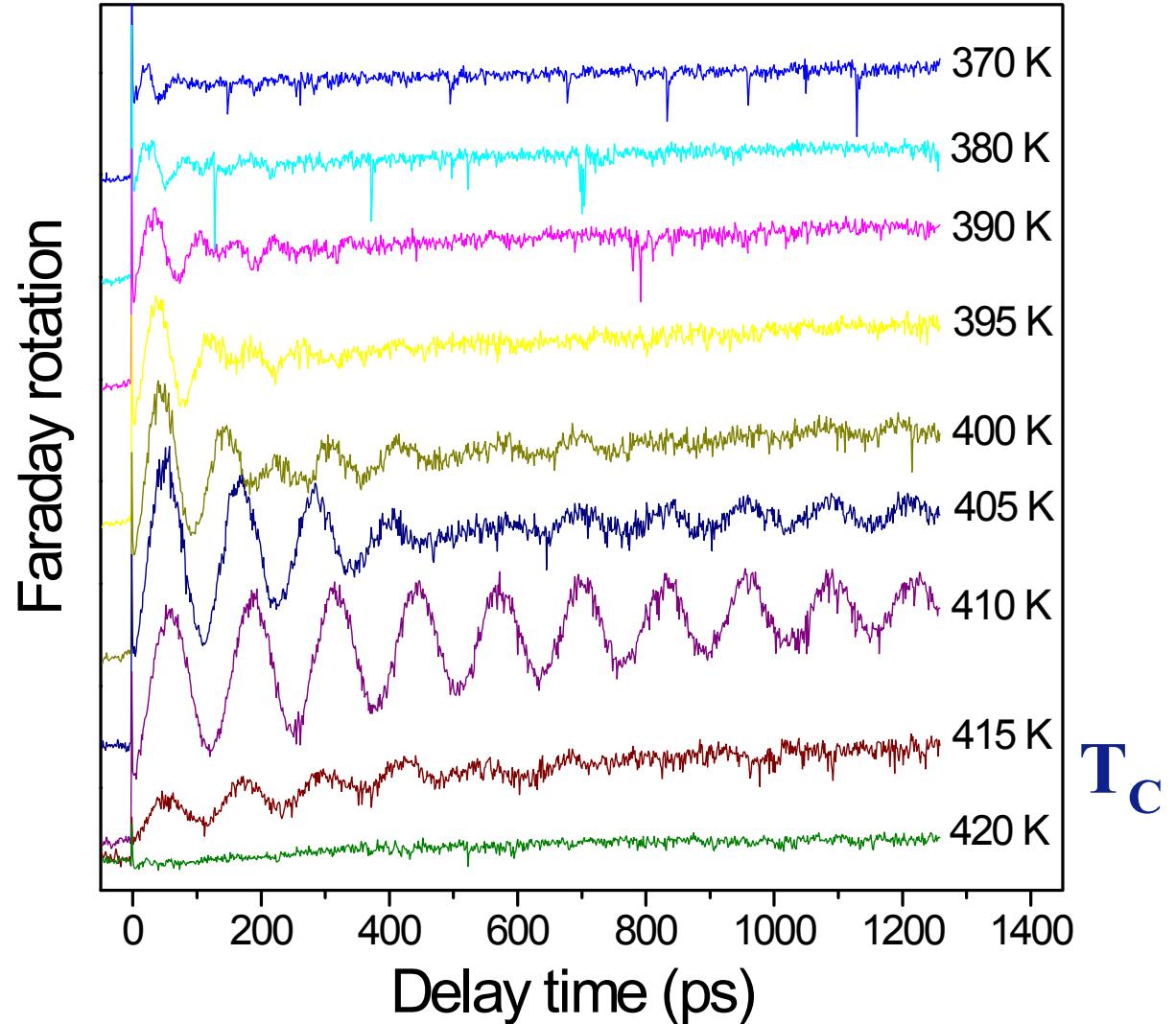
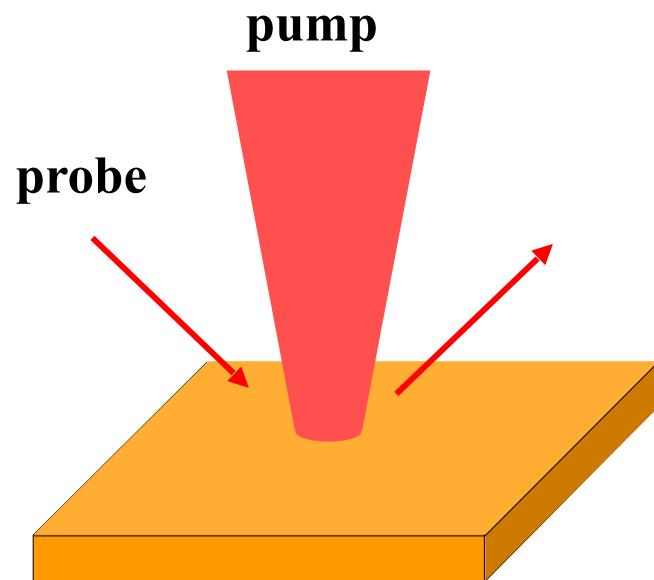
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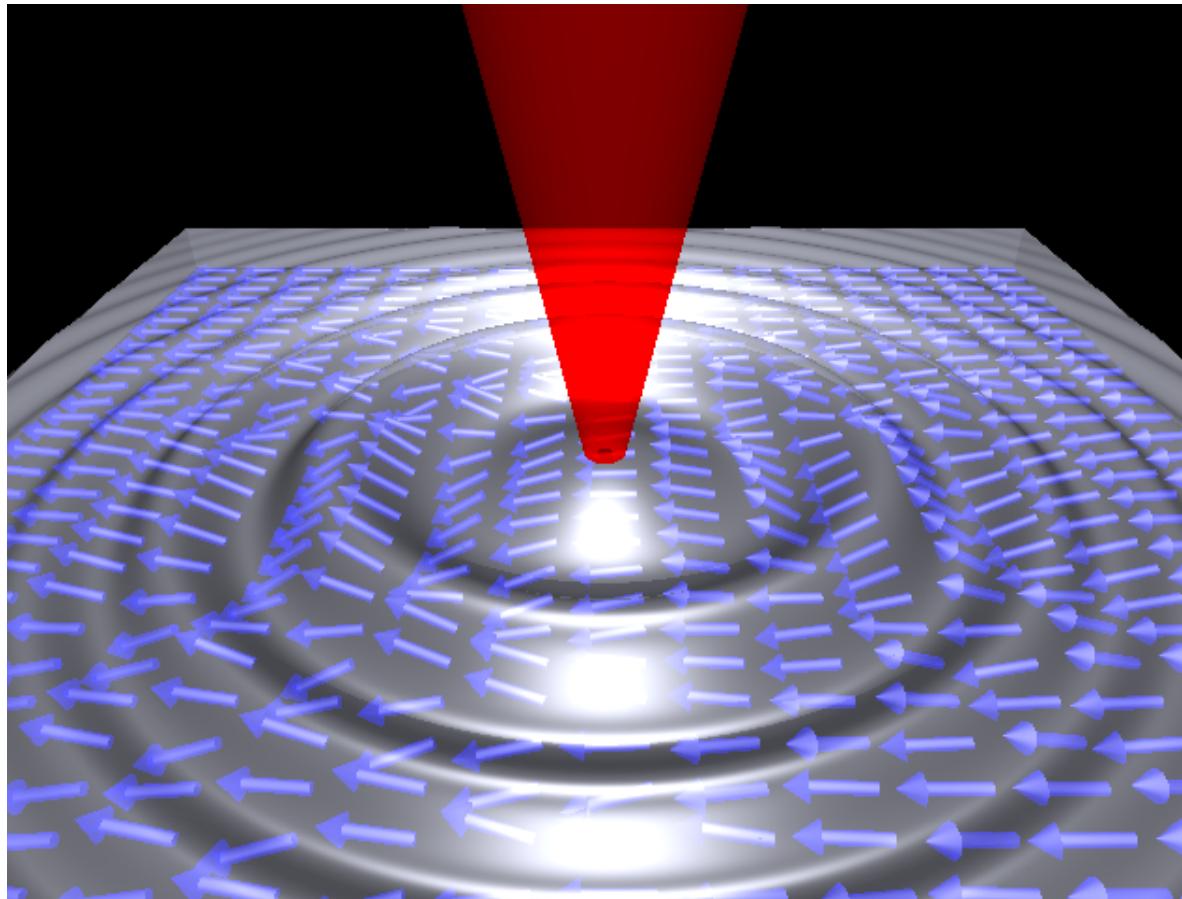


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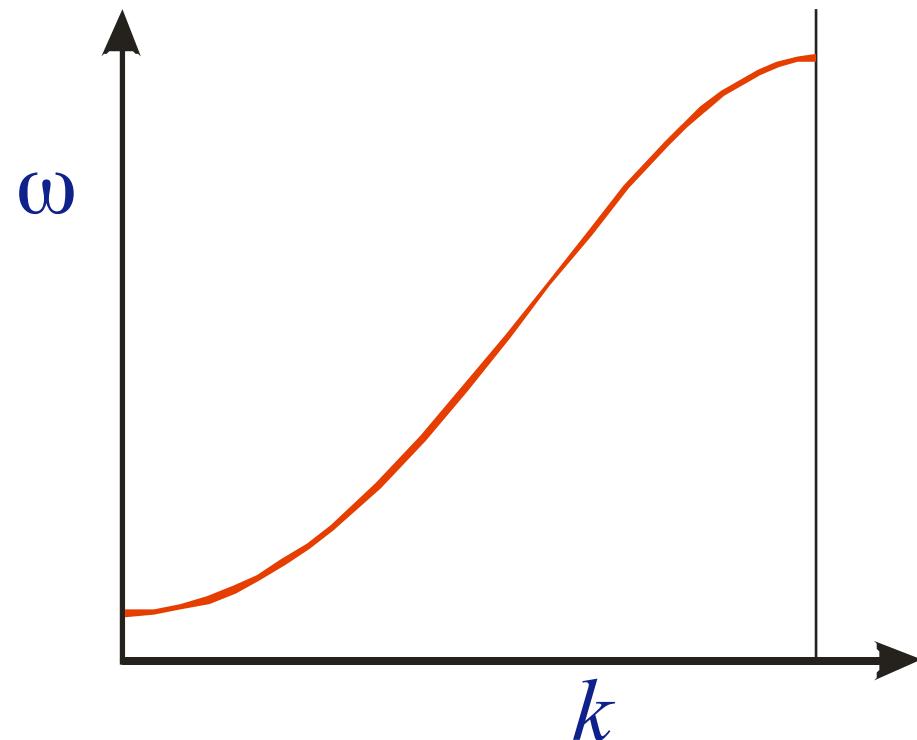
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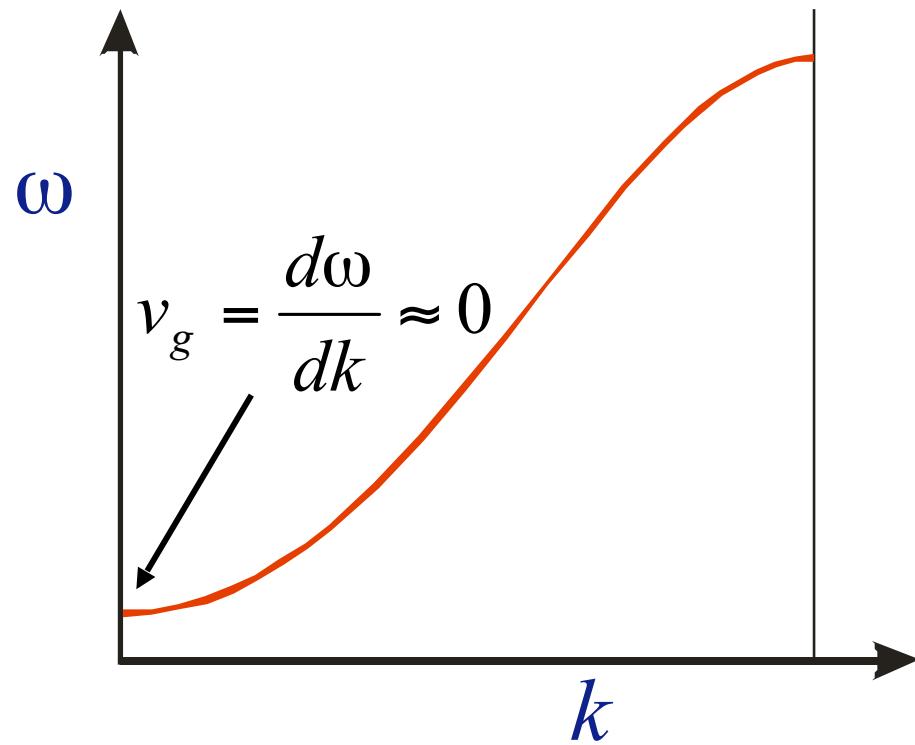
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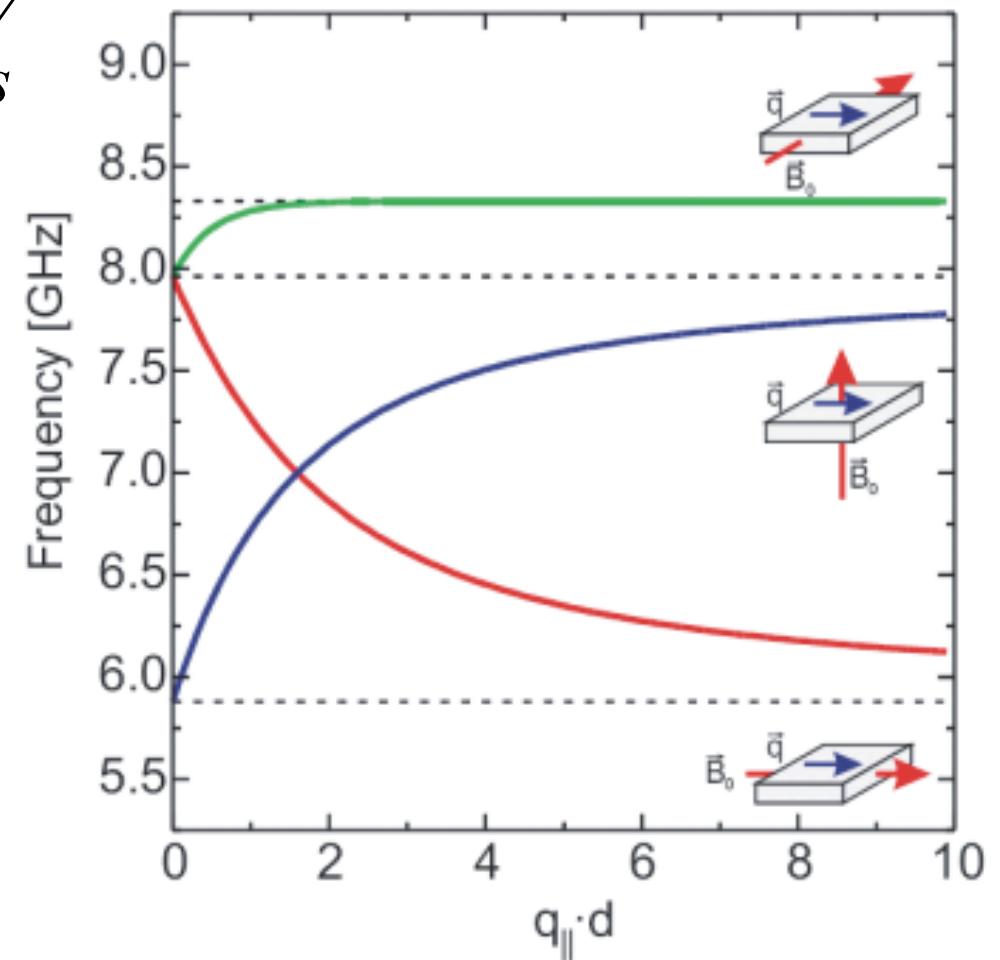
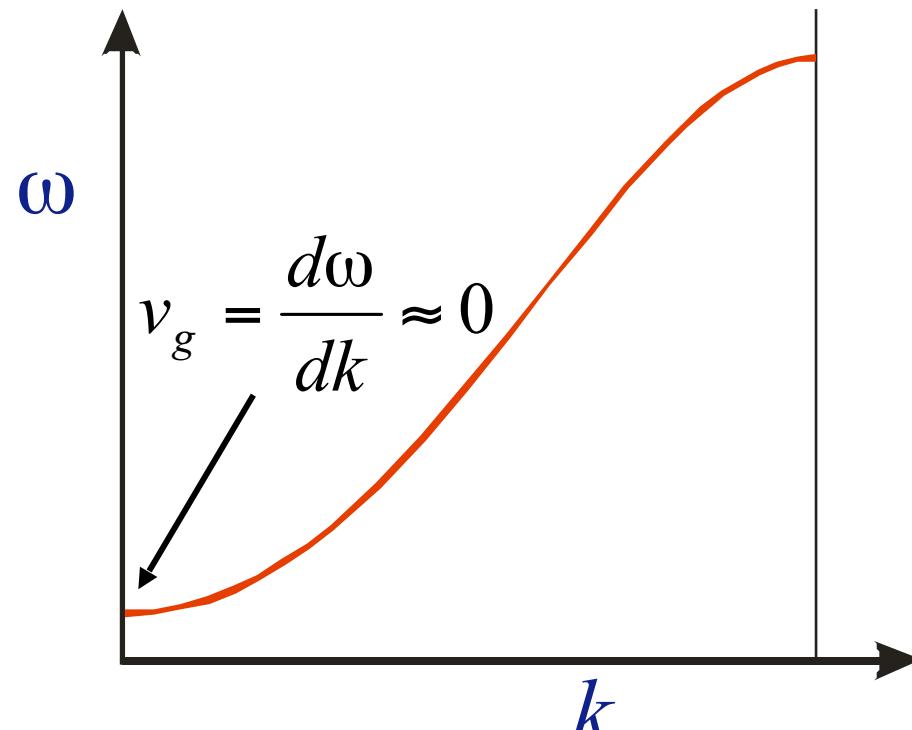
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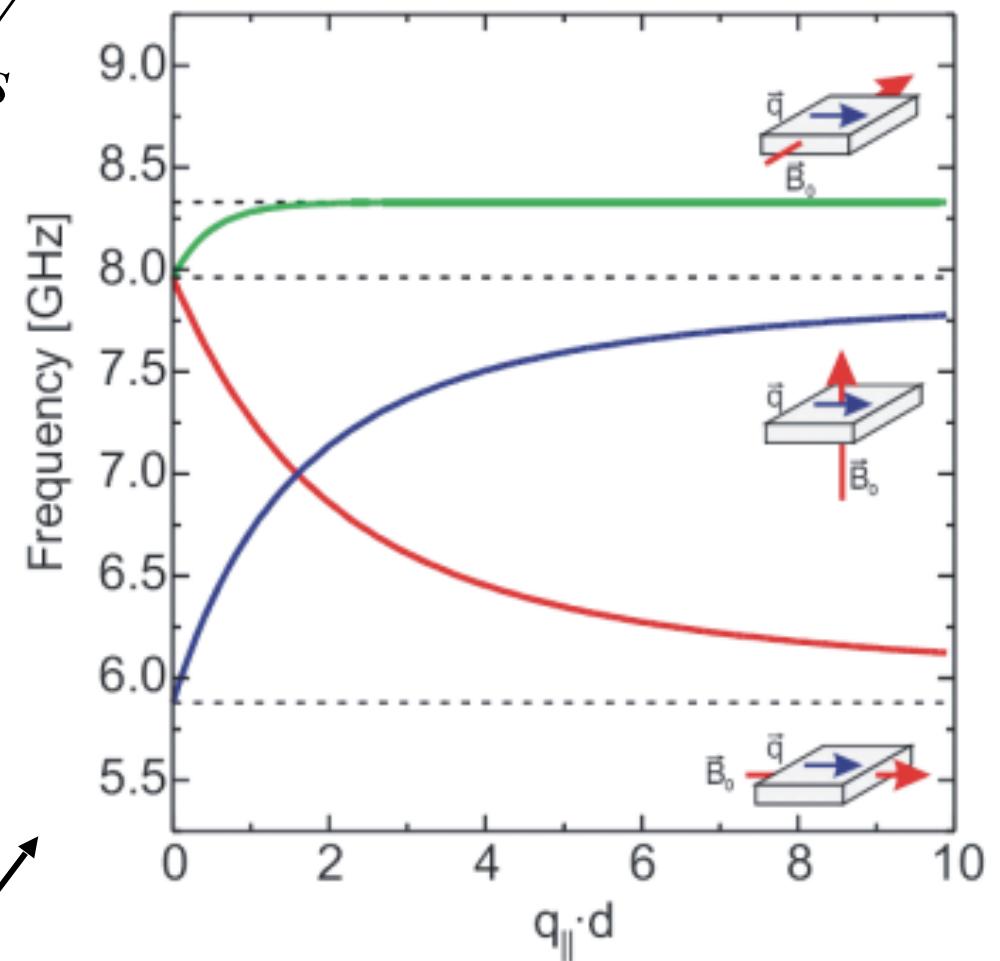
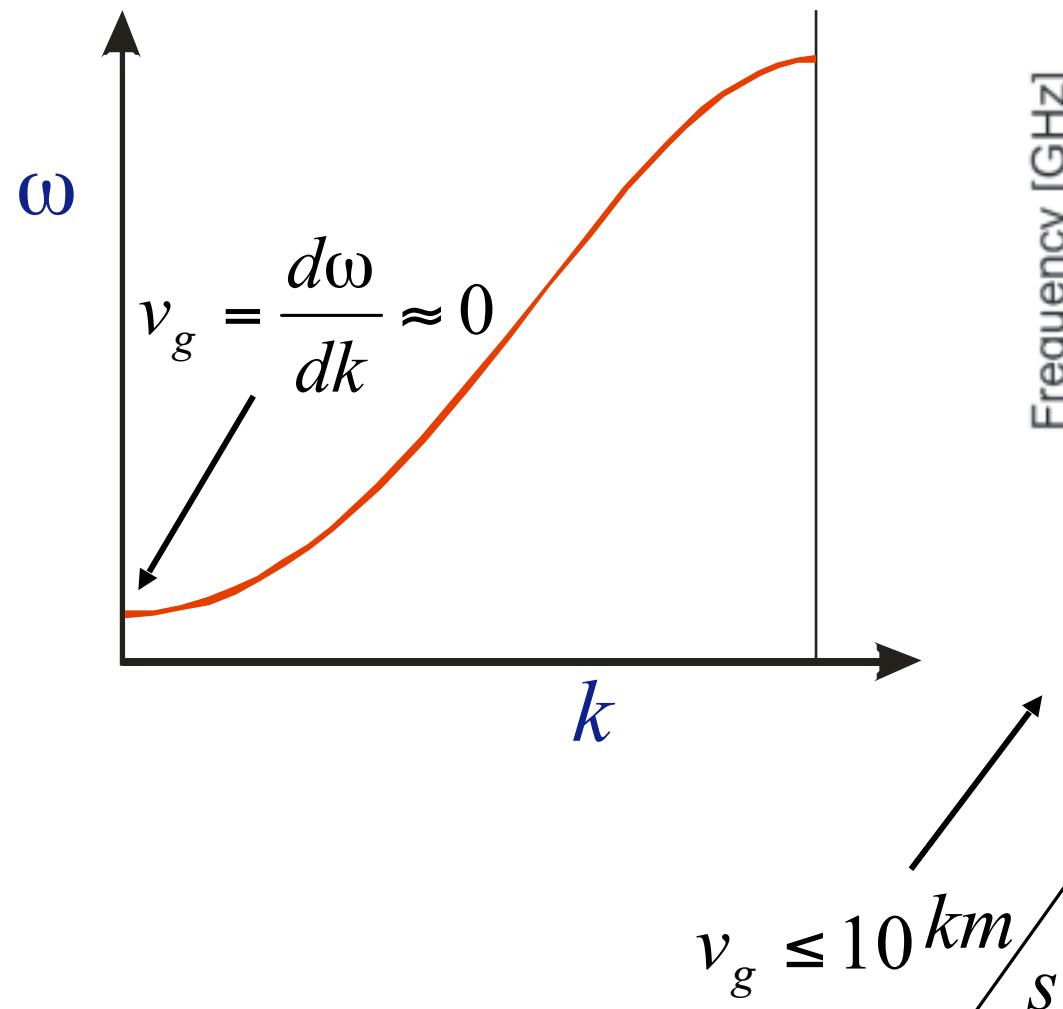
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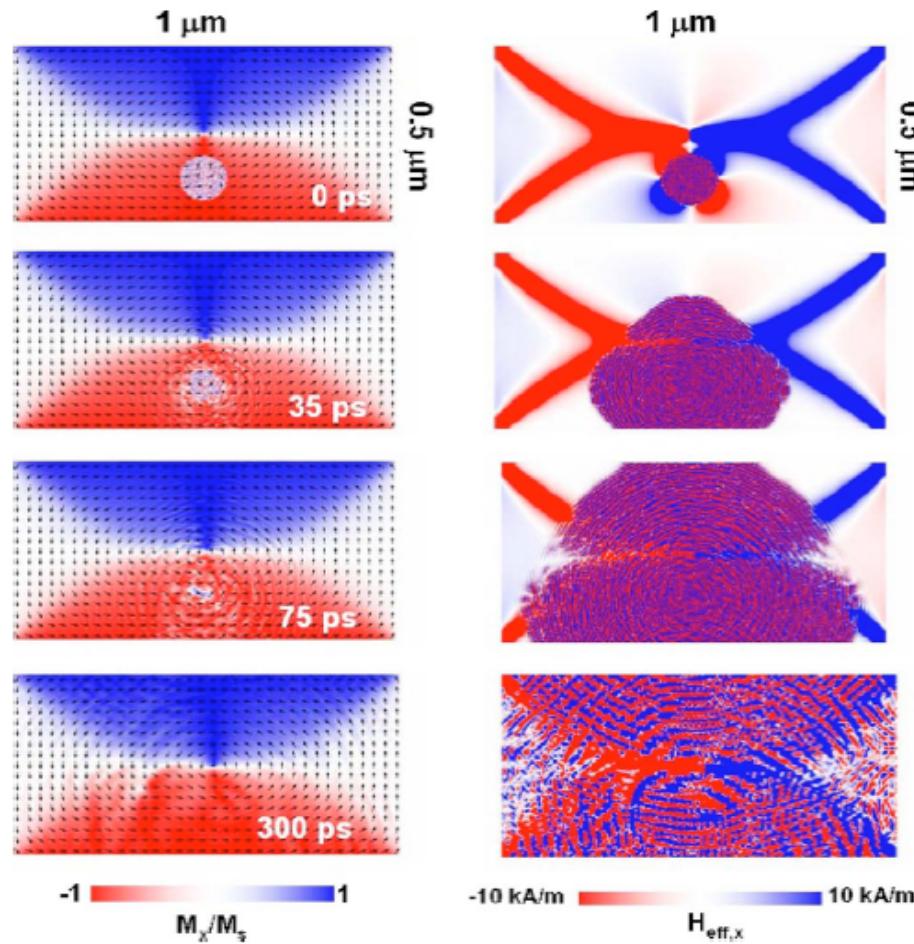
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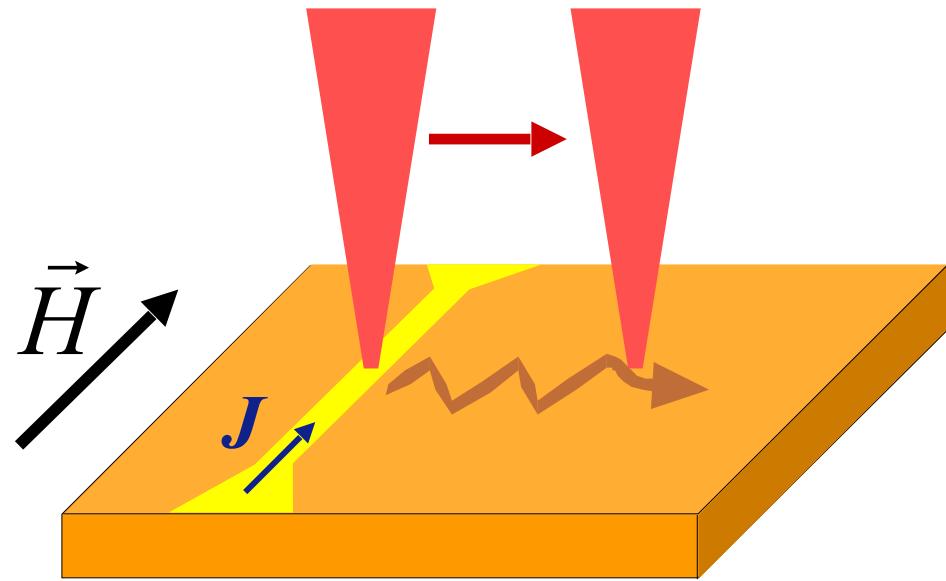
μ -magnetic simulations [Eilers et al, PRB 74, 054411 (2006)]



$$v \approx \frac{0.4 \mu\text{m}}{70 \text{ ps}} \approx 6 \text{ km/s}$$

FIG. 1. (Color online) Micromagnetic simulation for a $0.5 \mu\text{m} \times 1 \mu\text{m}$ Permalloy film structure with a 125 nm demagnetized spot diameter with 10 nm thickness. On the left the evolution of the spin-wave emission from the excited area is shown. On the right, the total effective field reflects the energy located within the domain walls and spin waves excited. The color code “red-white-blue” (white to black) indicates “positive-zero-negative” (the absolute) value of the x component.

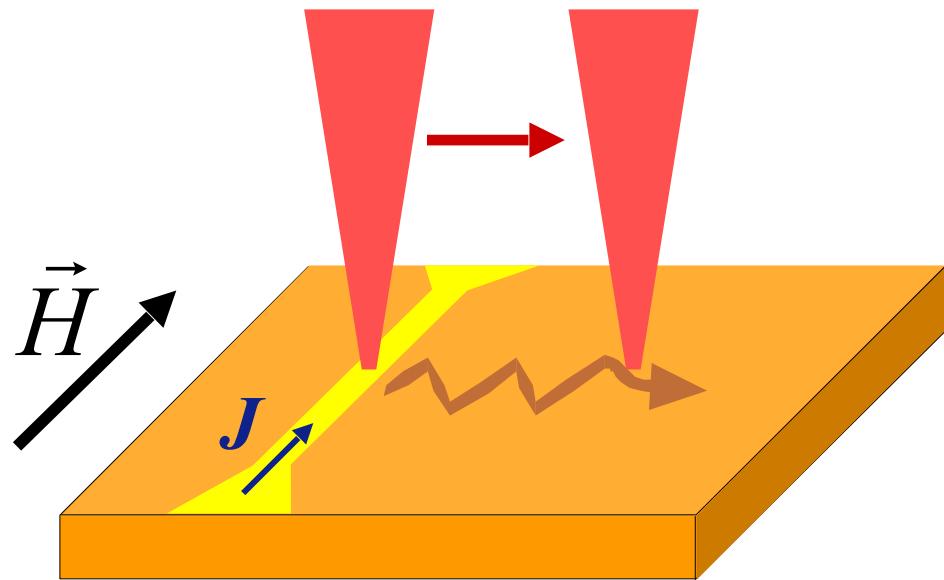
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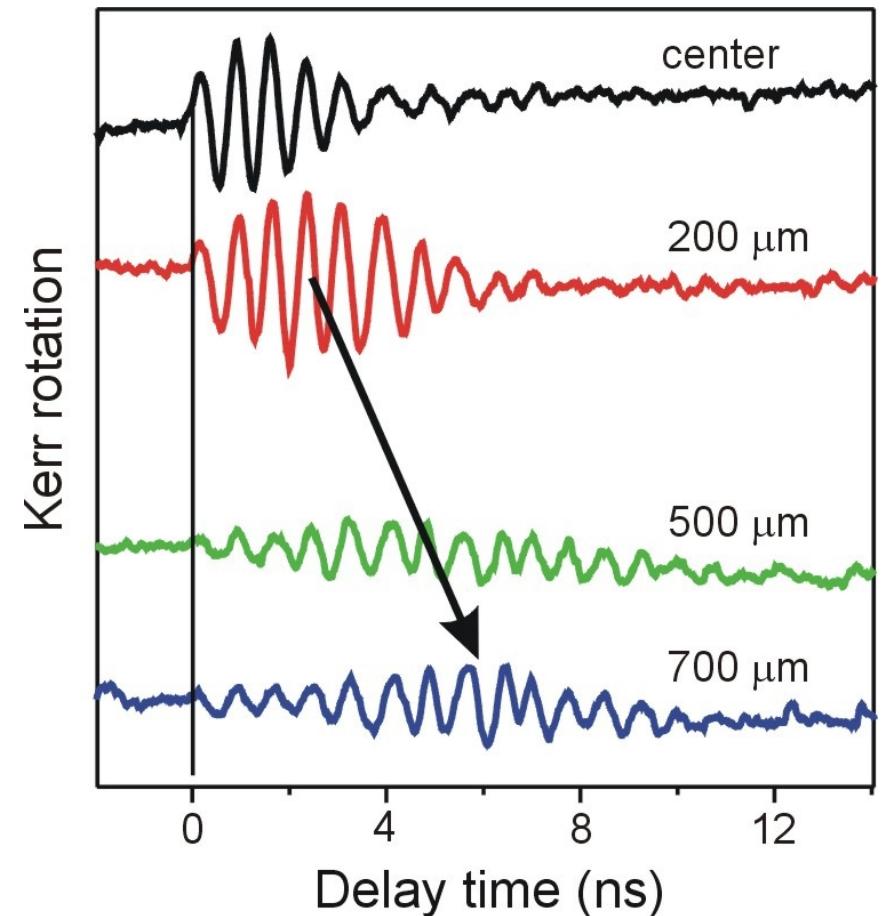
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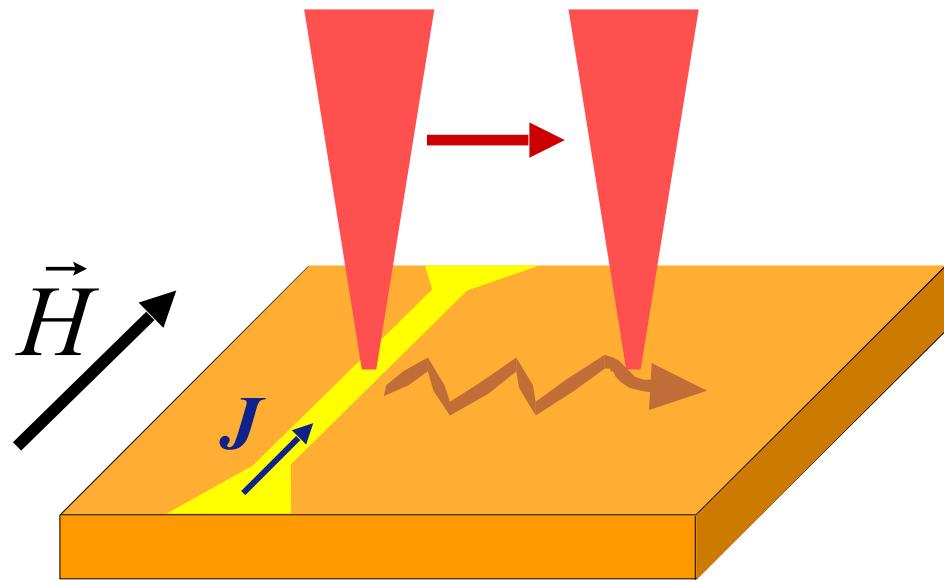


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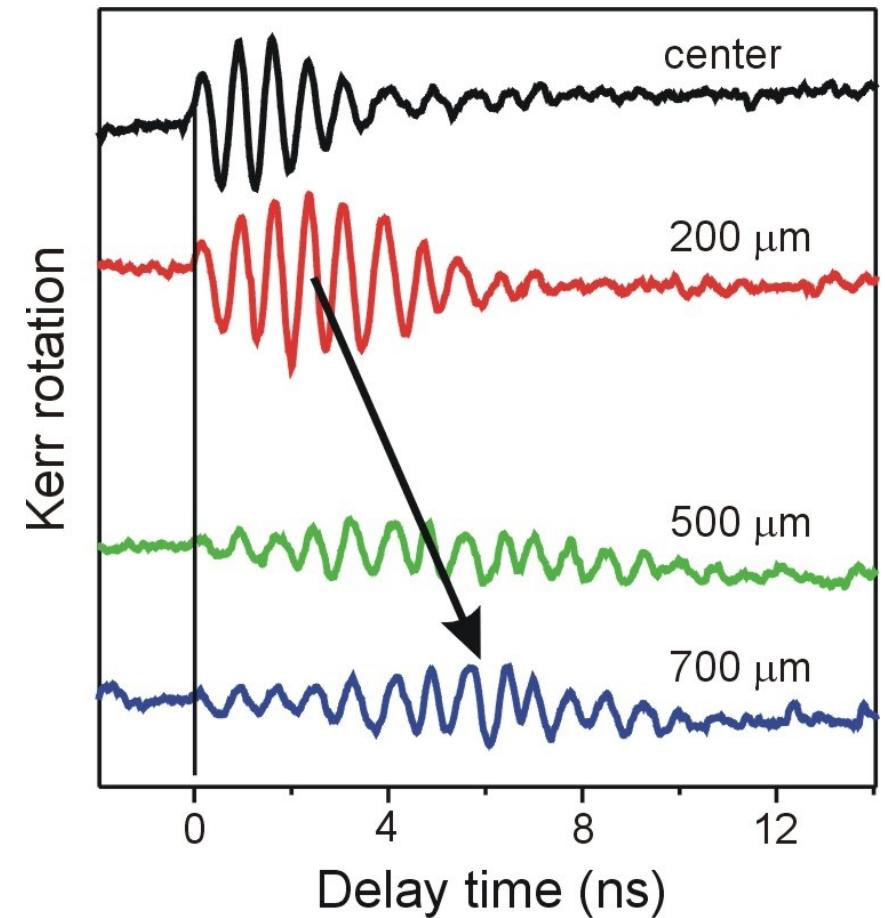


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Conclusion 1



not everything what you measure is damping!

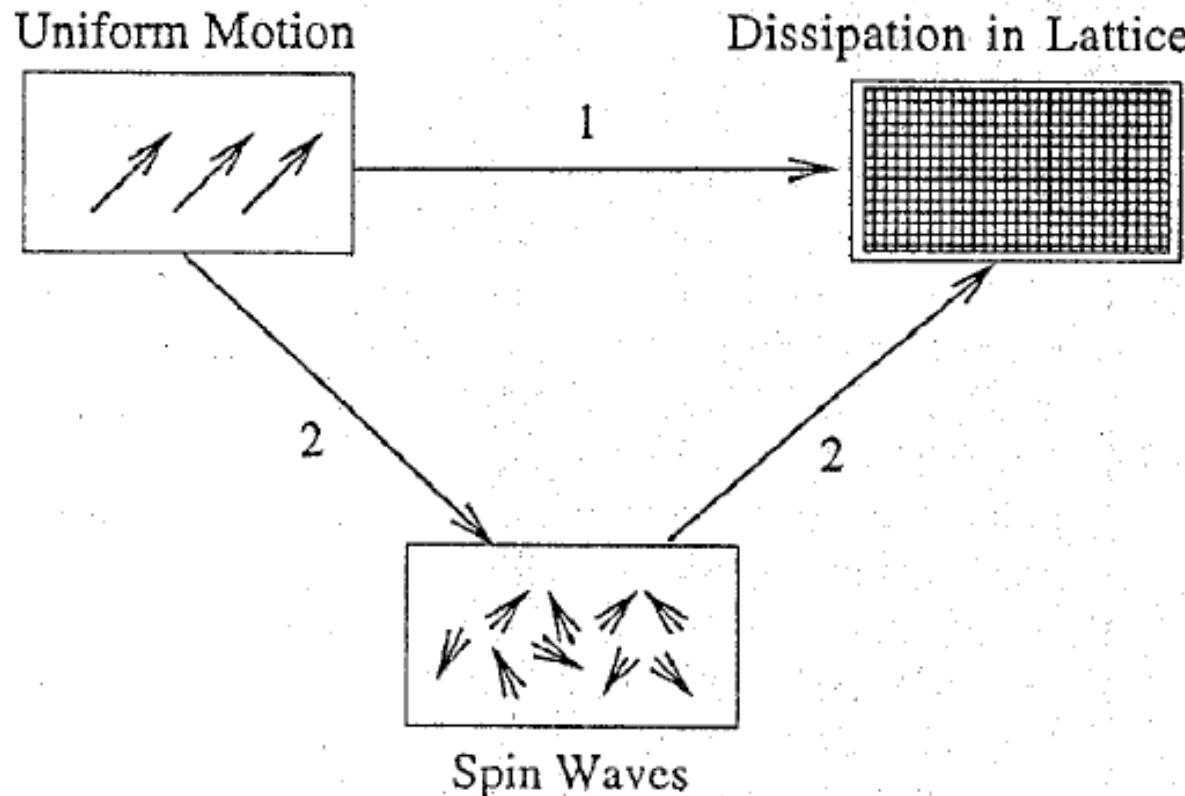
Damping channels: intrinsic vs extrinsic

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Phenomenology based on magneto-elasticity

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the energy per unit volume u ,

$$du = Tds + \mathbf{H} \cdot d\mathbf{M} + \boldsymbol{\sigma} : d\boldsymbol{e},$$

or the enthalpy per unit volume w ,

$$dw = Tds + \mathbf{H} \cdot d\mathbf{M} - \boldsymbol{e} : d\boldsymbol{\sigma},$$

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Y ₃ Fe ₄ GaO ₁₂ ^a	36	0.28	3.0	9.53	4.4	51	76
Li _{0.5} Fe _{2.5} O ₄ ^b	310	0.40	2.0	9.50	1.5	26	50
NiFe ₂ O ₄ ^b	270	0.40	35	24.0	1.5	710	350
MgFe ₂ O ₄ ^b	90	0.1	2.3	4.9	1.5	120	120
MnFe ₂ O ₄ ^b	220	0.4	238	9.2	1.5	930	1040
BaFe ₁₂ O ₁₉ ^c	350	0.4	6	55	1.5	18	26
Ni ^d	484	0.75	102	9.53	1.8	770	2600
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Co ^d	1400	2.78	15	9.53	1.8	530	370

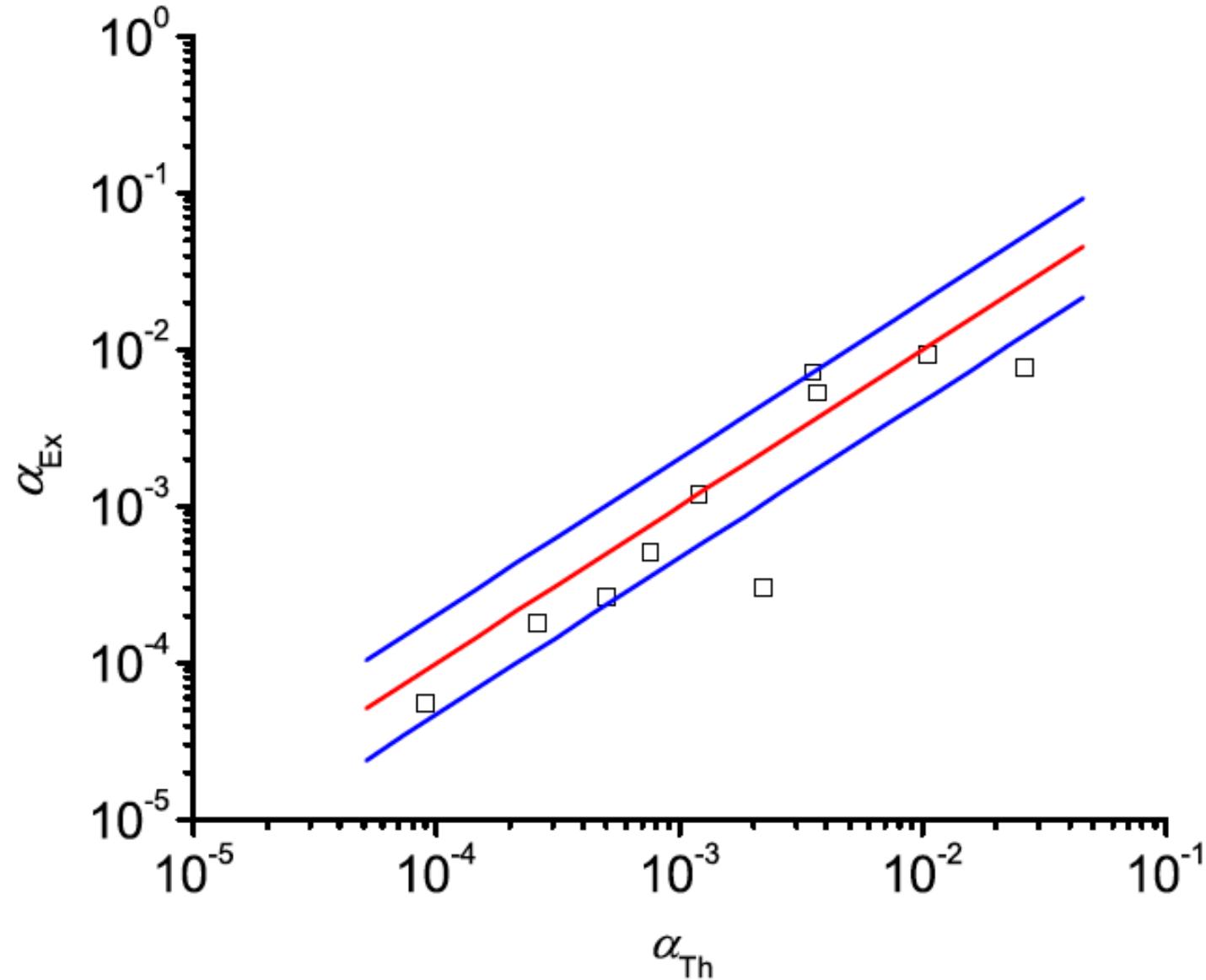
^aGarnets.

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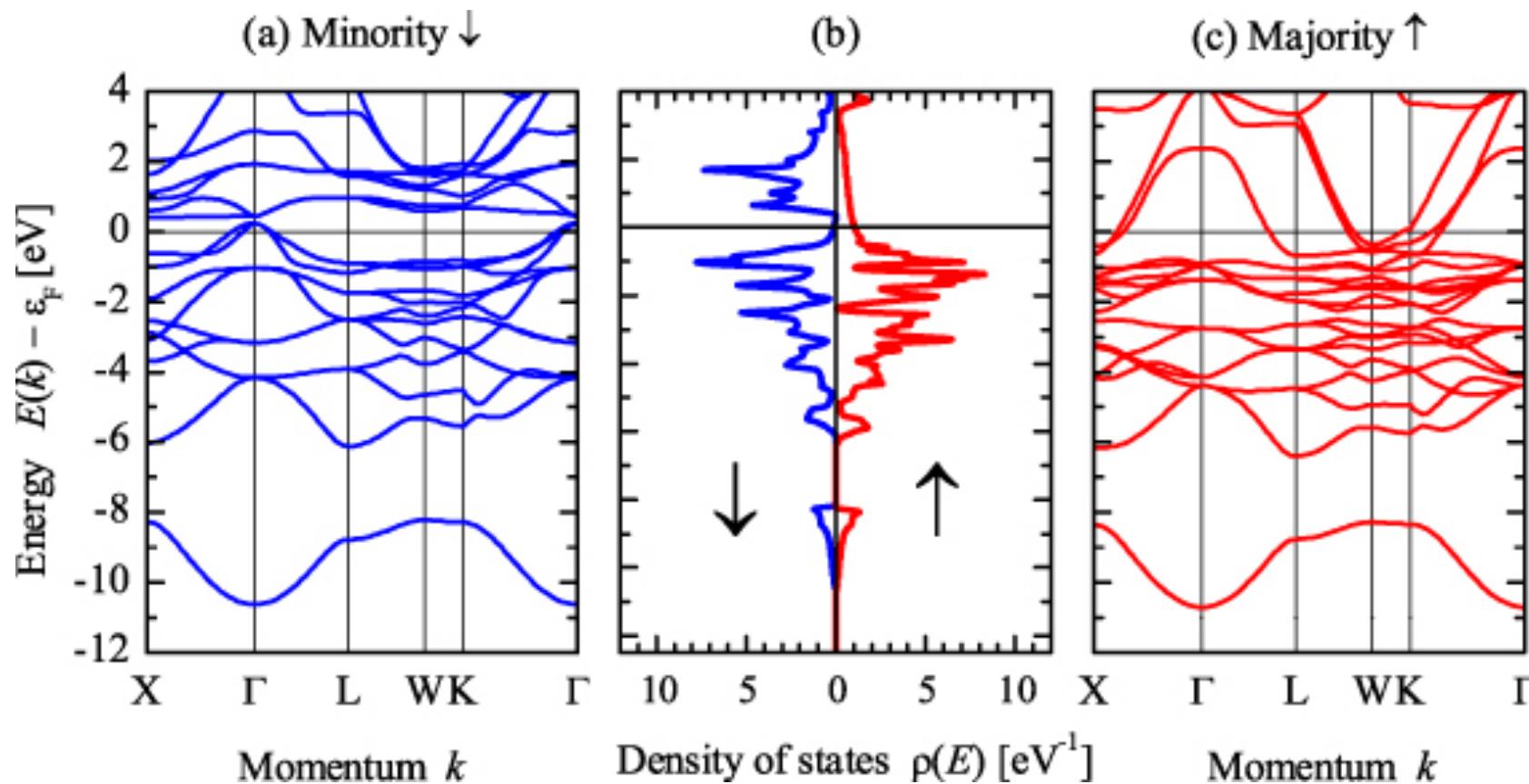


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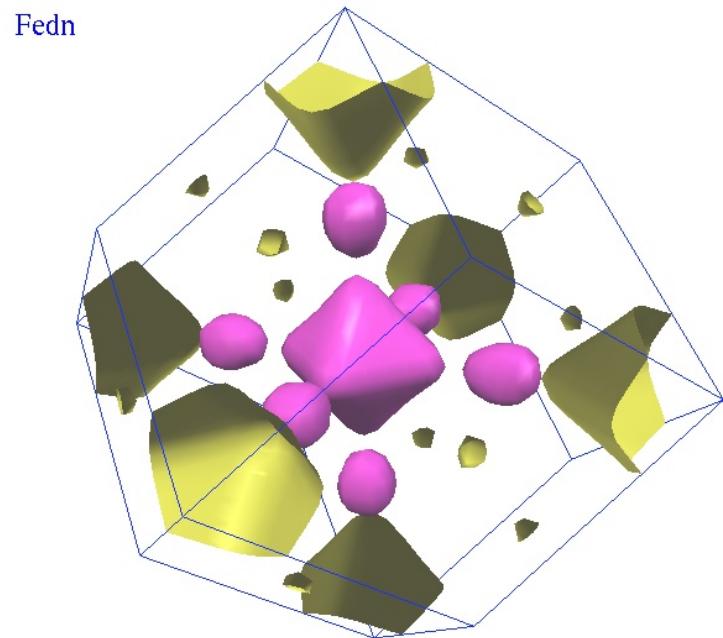
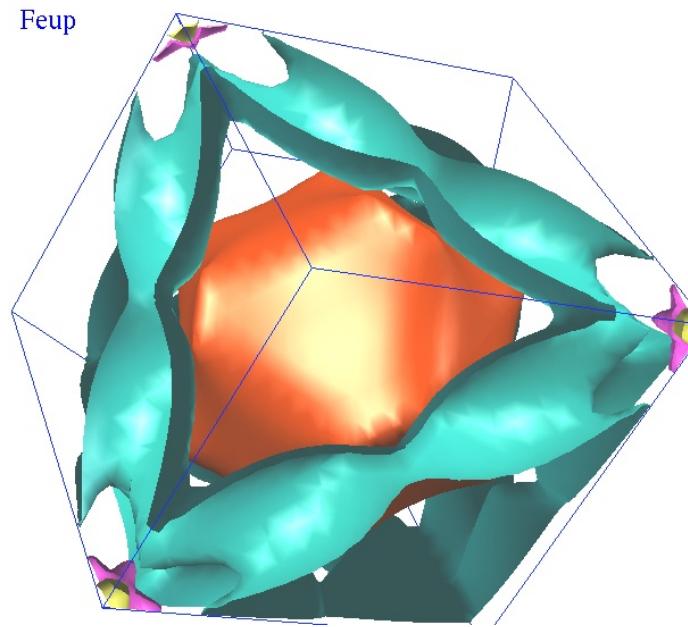


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Ferromagnetism of metals



'breathing' Fermi-surface



following Steiauf and Fähnle, PRB **72**, 0064450 (2005);
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we confine the treatment to the adiabatic regime:
several ps to nanoseconds
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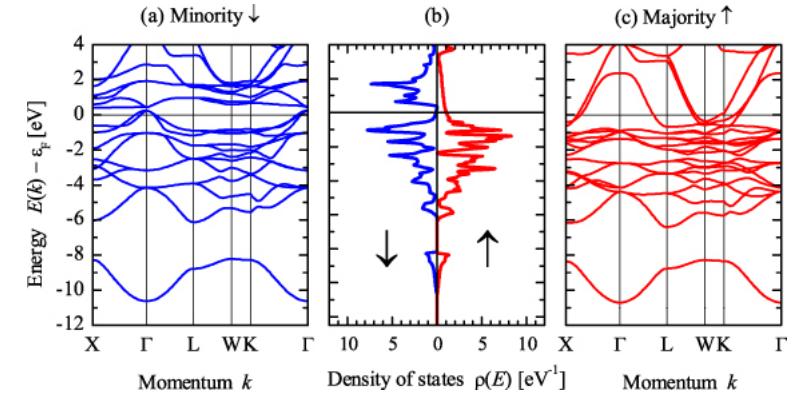
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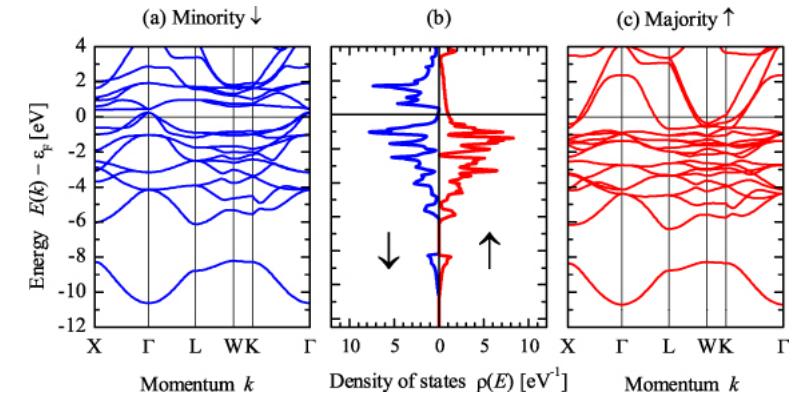


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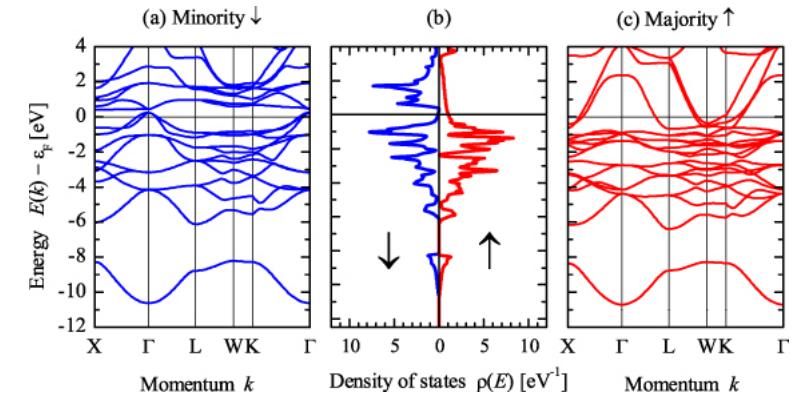
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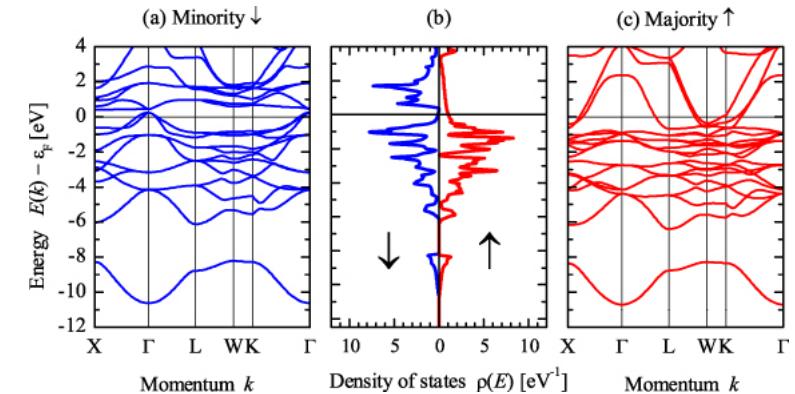
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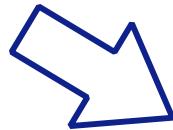
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Anisotropy and ‘damping’ fields:

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7. Same relaxation times around the Fermi surface

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scalar damping parameter is obtained only for the special case that $d\mathbf{M}/dt$ corresponds to an eigenvector of $\underline{\alpha}(\mathbf{M})$, and then the damping scalar is given by the corresponding eigenvalue of $\underline{\alpha}$.

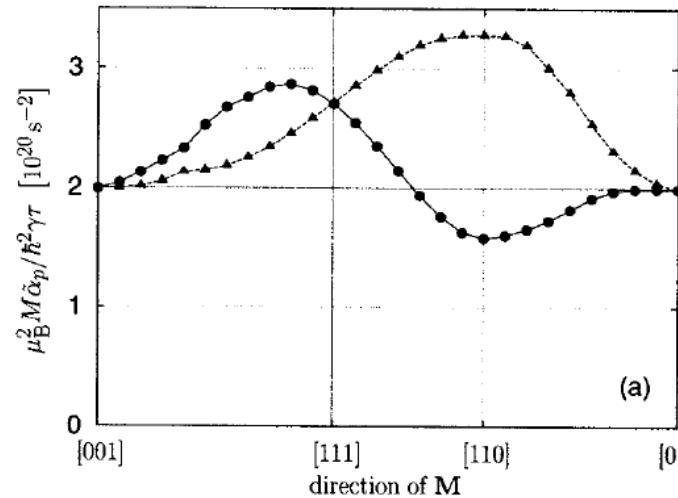
sidenote: damping vs anisotropy

In many discussion you find the direct relation between damping and magnetocrystalline anisotropy - equations show that this is not entirely correct:

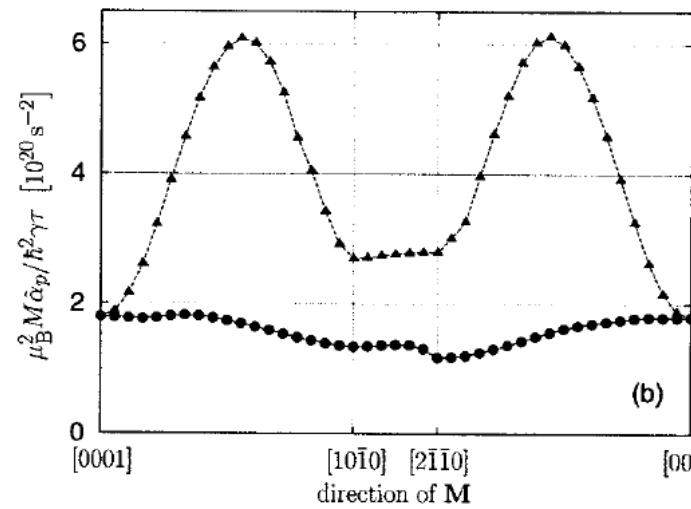
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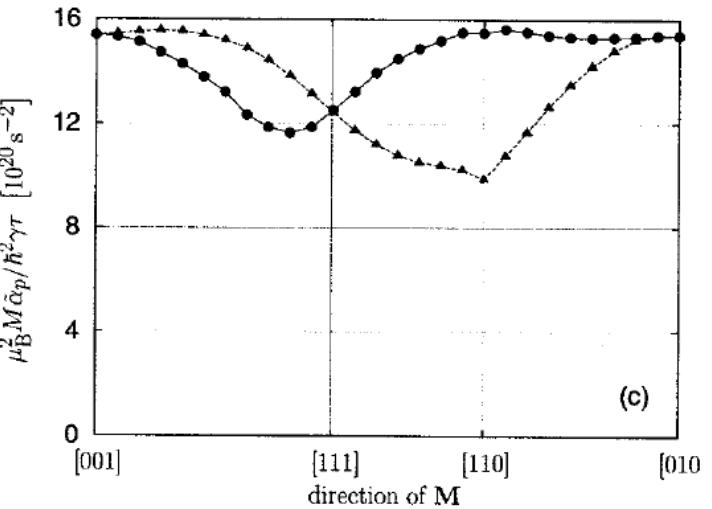
Results: Fe, Co, Ni



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two eigenvalues of the damping matrix vs direction of \mathbf{M}

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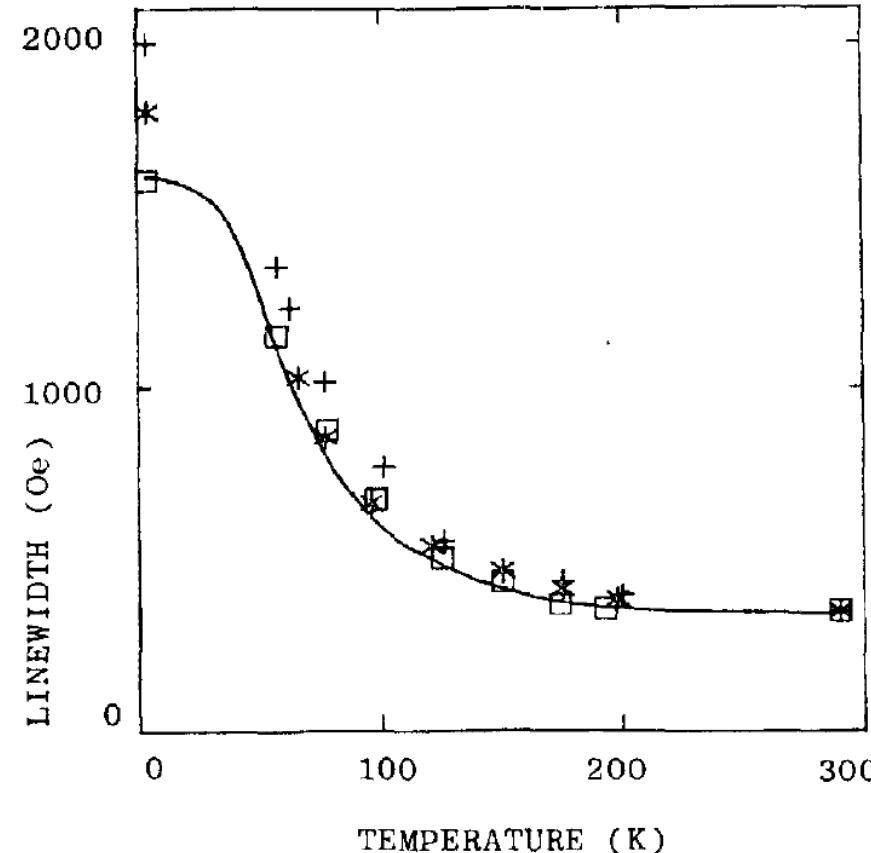
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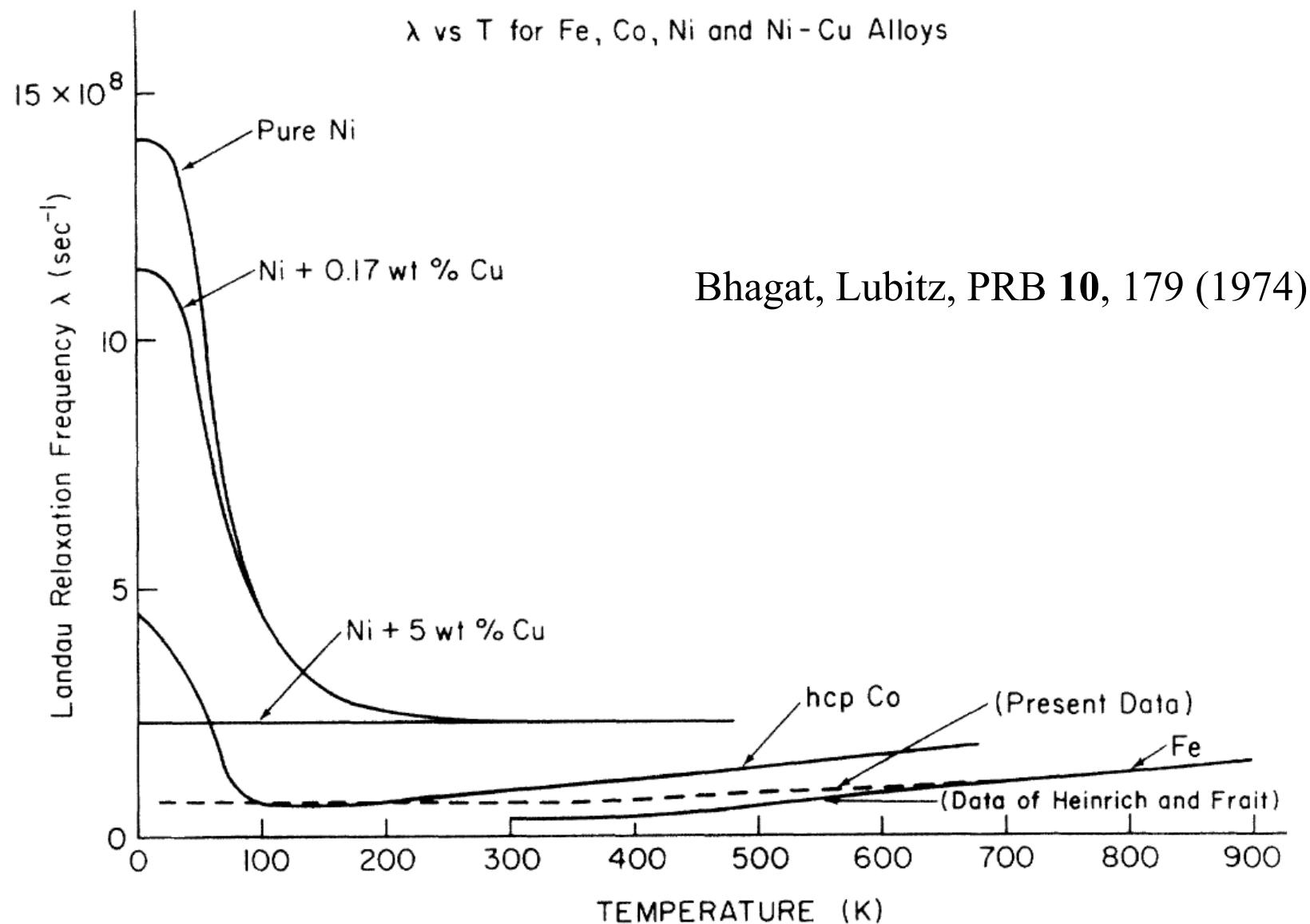
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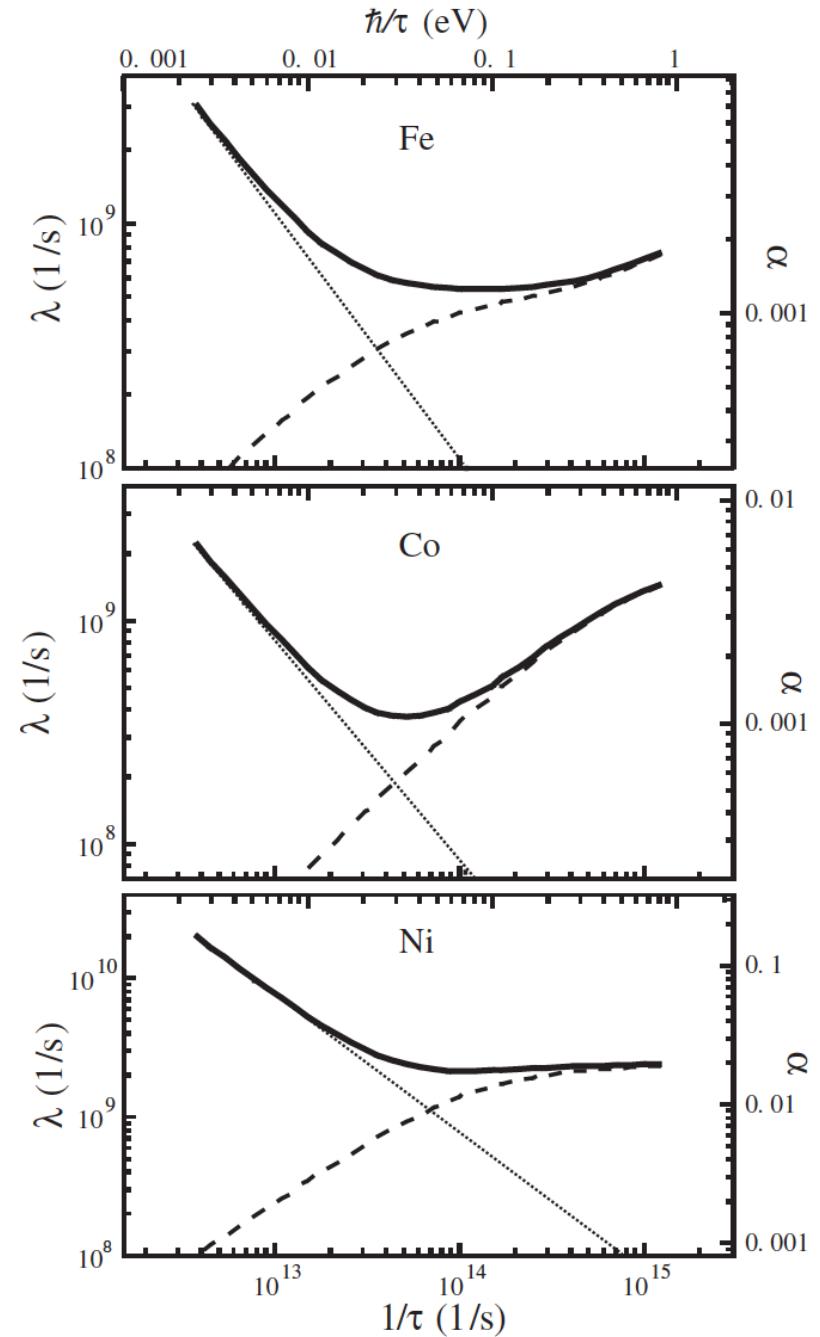
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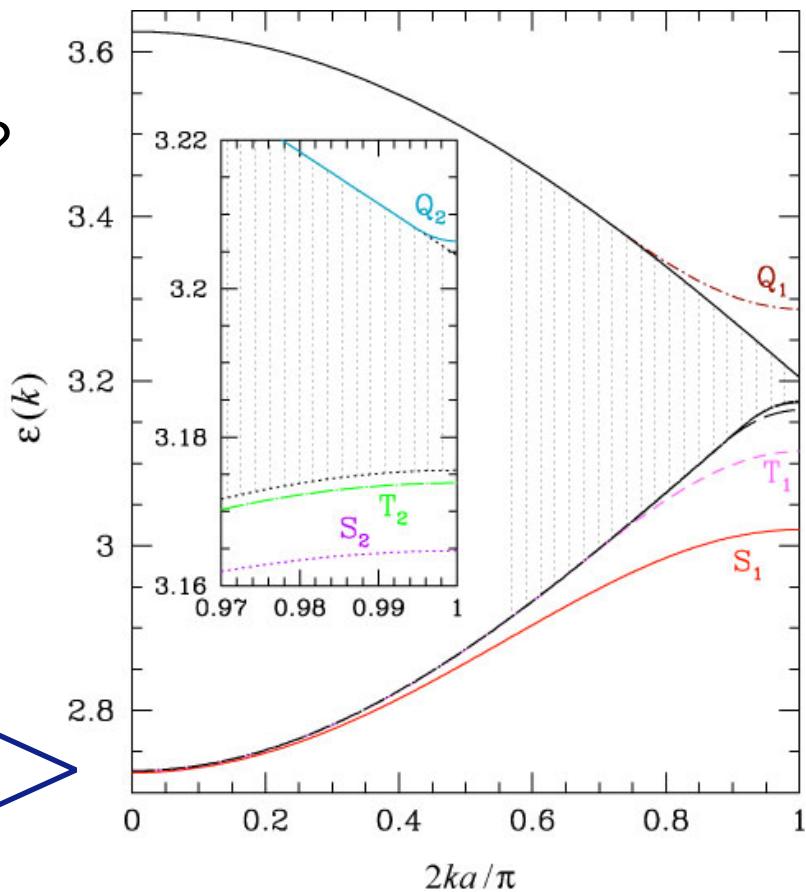
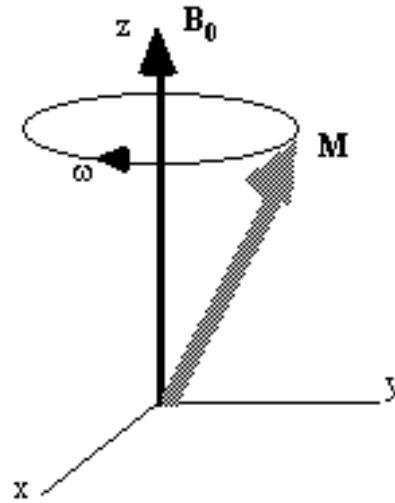


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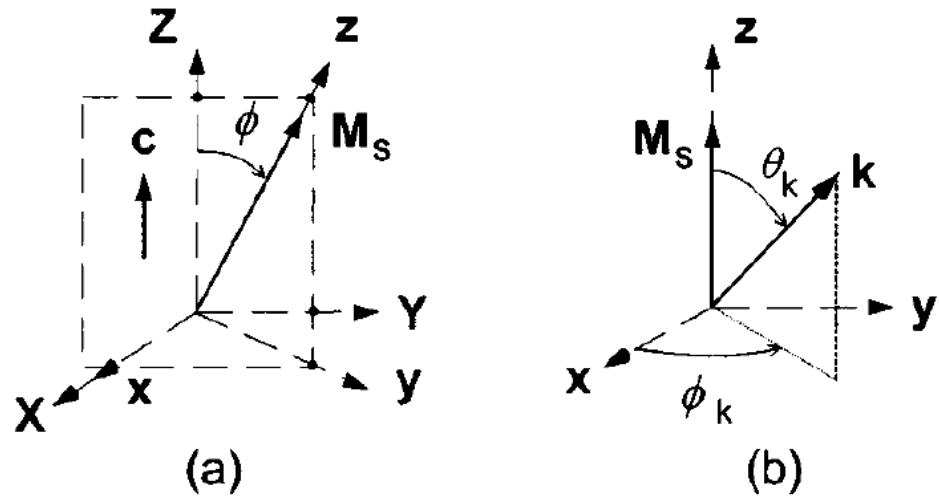
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Two-magnon scattering

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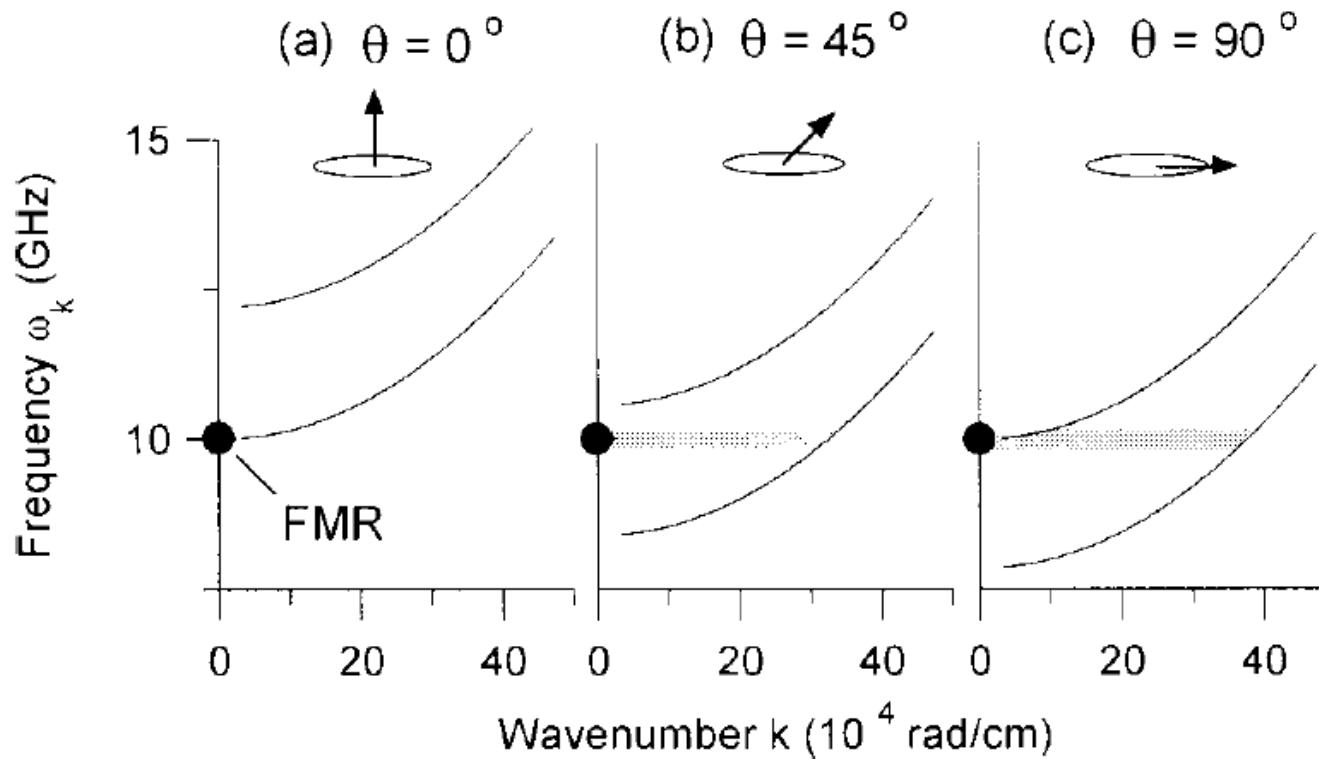


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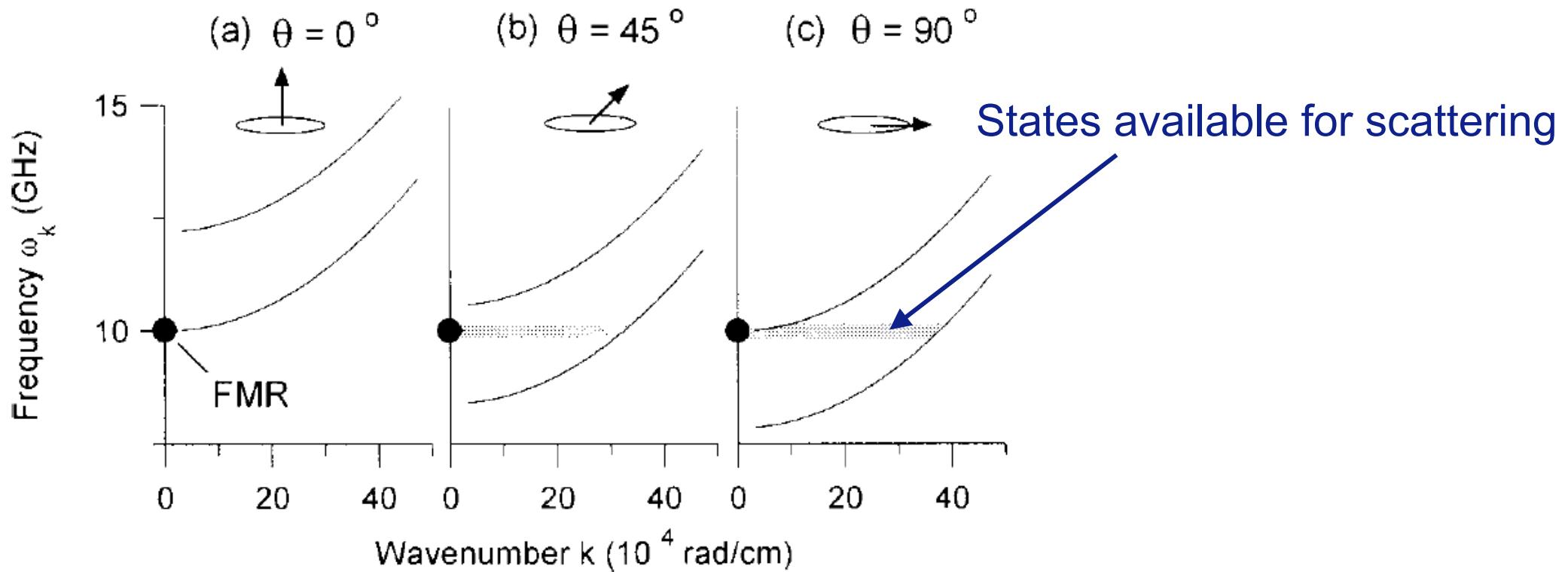
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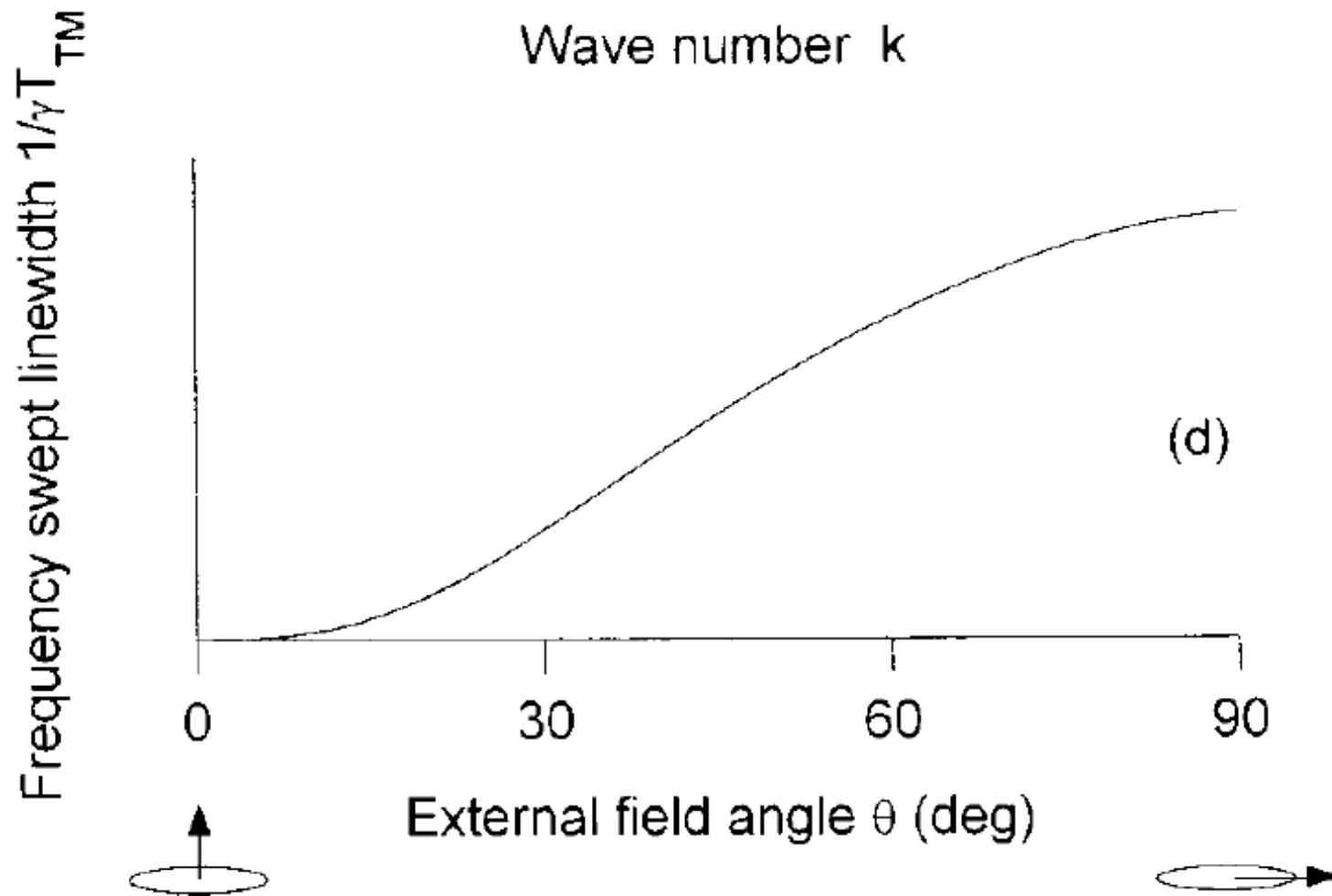
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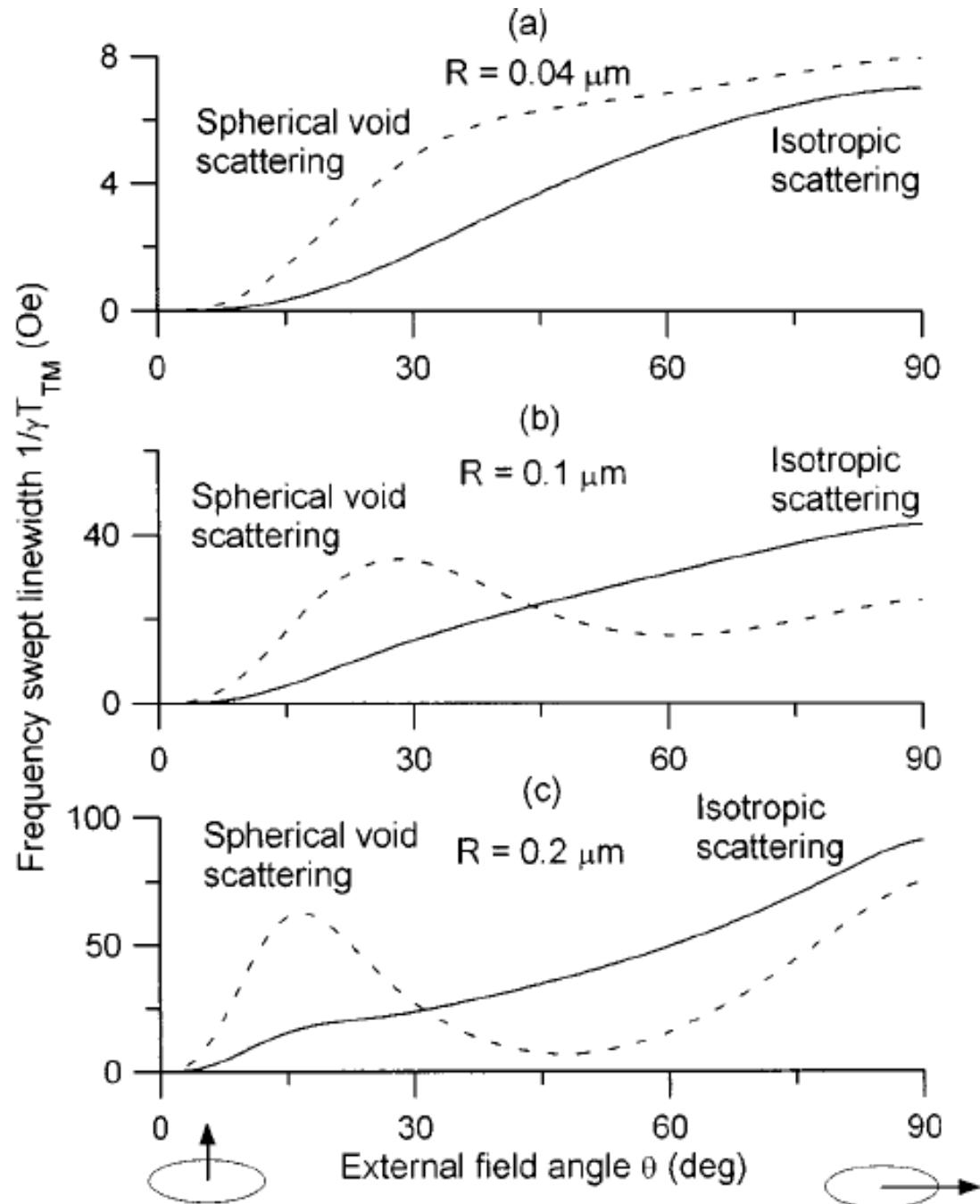


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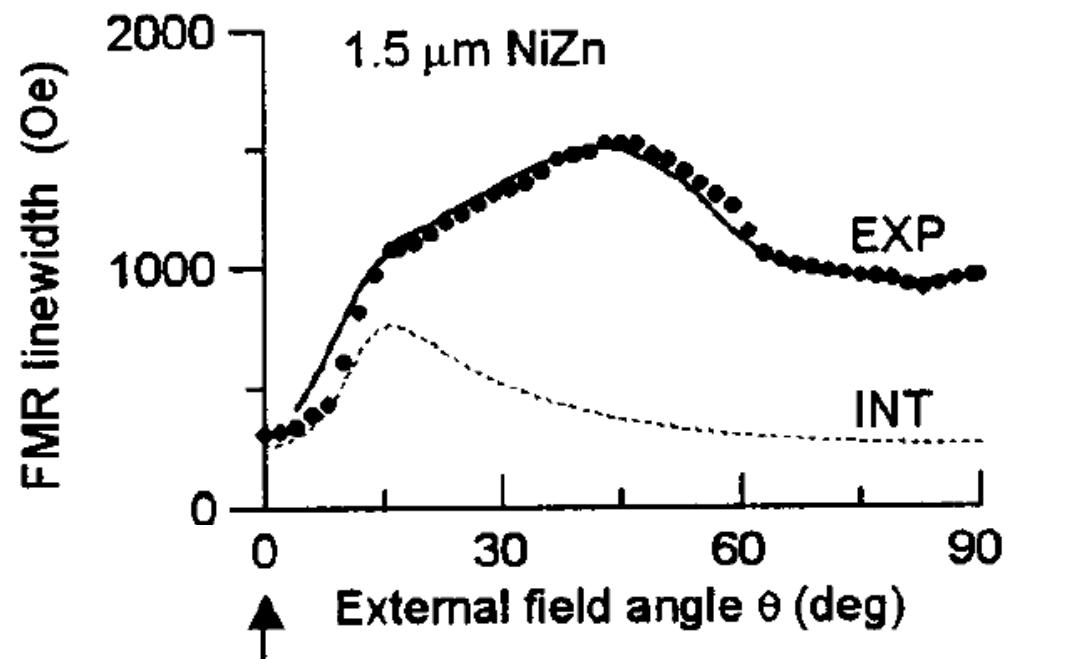
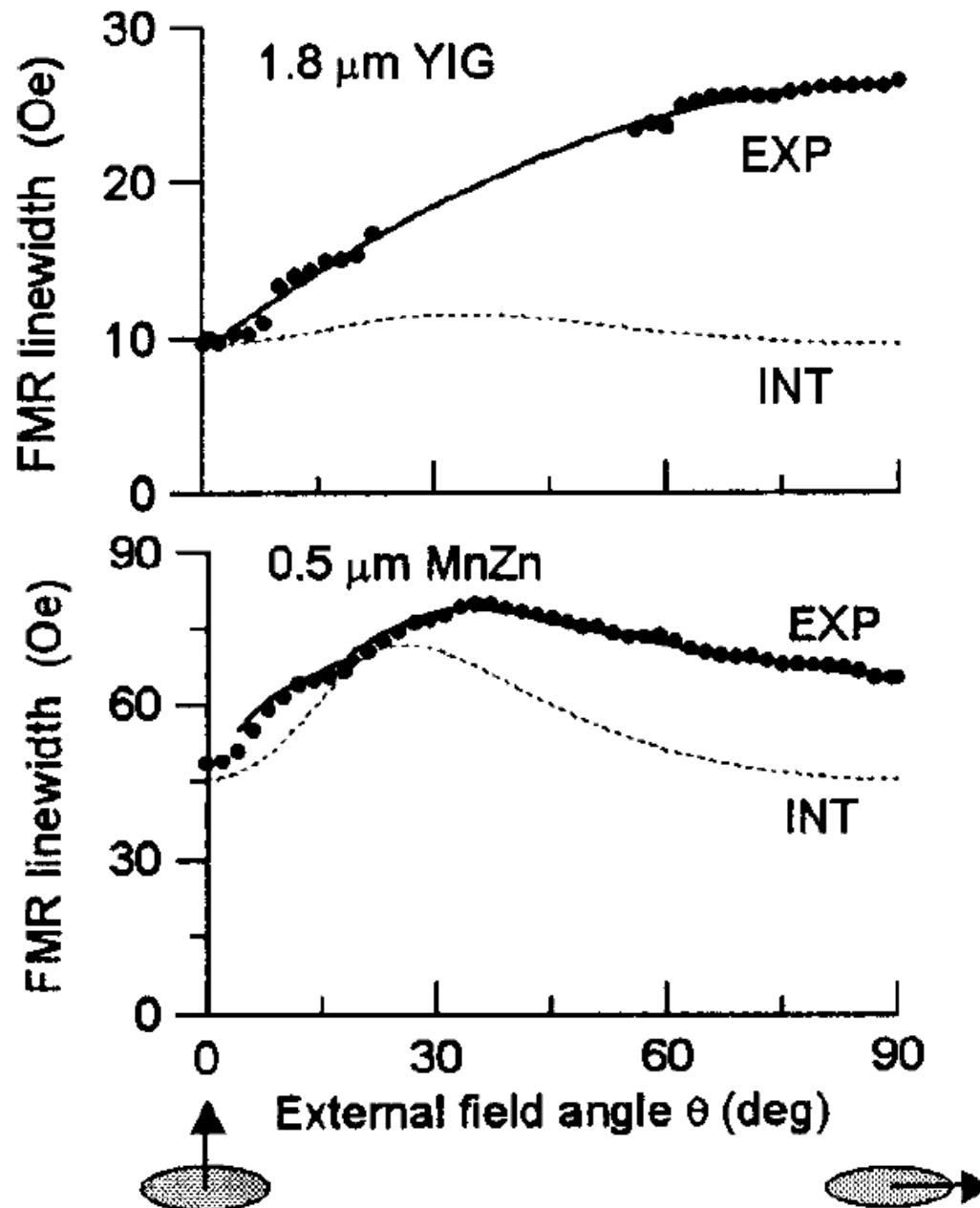


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Experiments??

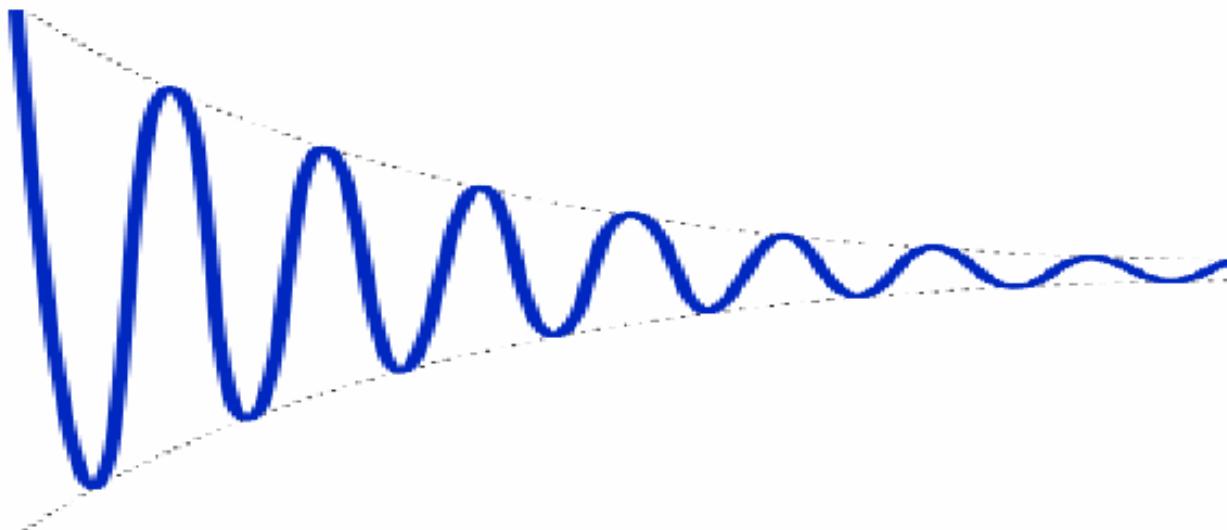
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films with different anisotropy,
roughly corresponding to the
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Summary:

- not obvious experimentally, lots of artefacts
- intrinsic versus extrinsic mechanisms
- phenomenology versus ab-initio



Functional derivative

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

In the [calculus of variations](#), a field of [mathematical analysis](#), the **functional derivative** (or **variational derivative**)^[1] relates a change in a [functional](#) to a change in a [function](#) that the functional depends on.

In the calculus of variations, functionals are usually expressed in terms of an [integral](#) of functions, their [arguments](#), and their [derivatives](#). In an integrand L of a functional, if a function f is varied by adding to it another function δf that is arbitrarily small, and the resulting integrand is expanded in powers of δf , the coefficient of δf in the first order term is called the functional derivative.

For example, consider the functional

$$J[f] = \int_a^b L[x, f(x), f'(x)] dx ,$$

where $f'(x) \equiv df/dx$. If f is varied by adding to it a function δf , and the resulting integrand $L(x, f + \delta f, f' + \delta f')$ is expanded in powers of δf , then the change in the value of J to first order in δf can be expressed as follows:^[1][\[Note 1\]](#)

$$\delta J = \int_a^b \frac{\delta J}{\delta f(x)} \delta f(x) dx .$$

The coefficient of $\delta f(x)$, denoted as $\delta J/\delta f(x)$, is called the **functional derivative** of J with respect to f at the point x .^[2] For this example functional, the functional derivative is the left hand side of the [Euler-Lagrange equation](#),^[3]

$$\frac{\delta J}{\delta f(x)} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial f} - \frac{d}{dx} \frac{\partial L}{\partial f'} .$$

