



# Superconductivity and Magnetism in novel Fe-based superconductors



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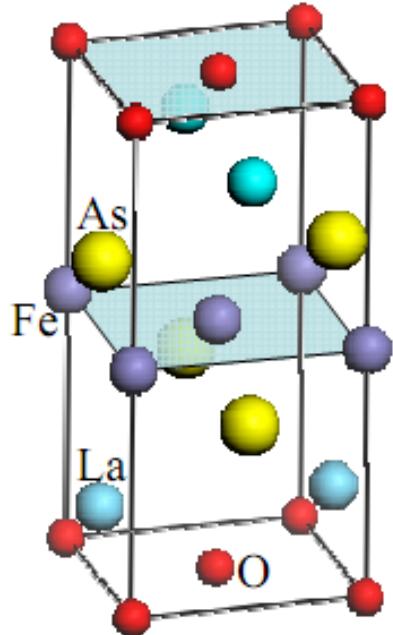
More a progress report than a talk

# $\text{Re(O}_{1-x}\text{F}_x\text{)FeAs}$ Superconductors

Compound (powder & single crystals)	T <sub>c</sub>	Reference
LaOFeP	~5 K	Y. Kamihara et al., J. Am. Chem. Soc. 128, 10012 (2006)
LaNiOP	~3 K	T. Watanabe et al., Inorg. Chem. 46, 7719 (2007)
La[O <sub>1-x</sub> F <sub>x</sub> ]FeAs	26 K (x=0.05-0.12)	Y. Kamihara et al., J. Am. Chem. Soc. 130, 3296 (2008)
La[O <sub>1-x</sub> Ca <sup>2+</sup> <sub>x</sub> ]FeAs	0 K	
La[O <sub>1-x</sub> F <sub>x</sub> ]NiAs	3.8 K (x=0.1) 2.75 K (x=0)	Z. Li et al., arXiv:0803.2572
(La <sub>1-x</sub> Sr <sub>x</sub> )ONiAs	3.7 K (x=0.1-0.2) 2.75 K (x=0)	L. Fang et al., arXiv:0803.3978
(La <sub>1-x</sub> Sr <sub>x</sub> )OFeAs	25 K (x=0.13)	H.-H. Wen et al., EPL 82, 17009 (2008)
Ce[O <sub>1-x</sub> F <sub>x</sub> ]FeAs	41 K (x=0.2)	G.F. Chen et al., PRL 100, 247002 (2008)
Pr[O <sub>1-x</sub> F <sub>x</sub> ]FeAs	52 K (x=0.11)	Z.-A. Ren et al., arXiv:0803.4283;
Nd[O <sub>1-x</sub> F <sub>x</sub> ]FeAs		Z.-A. Ren et al., EPL, 82 (2008)
Gd[O <sub>1-x</sub> F <sub>x</sub> ]FeAs	36 K (x=0.17)	P. Cheng et al., Science China 51(6), (2008).
Sm[O <sub>1-x</sub> F <sub>x</sub> ]FeAs	55 K (x=0.1-0.2)	Z.-A. Ren et al., Chin. Phys. Lett. 25, (2008); R.H. Liu et al., arXiv:0804.2105

# Crystal Structure of ReFeAs( $O_{1-x}F_x$ )

Quasi-2D Fe-As layers divided by La with Fe forming a square lattice



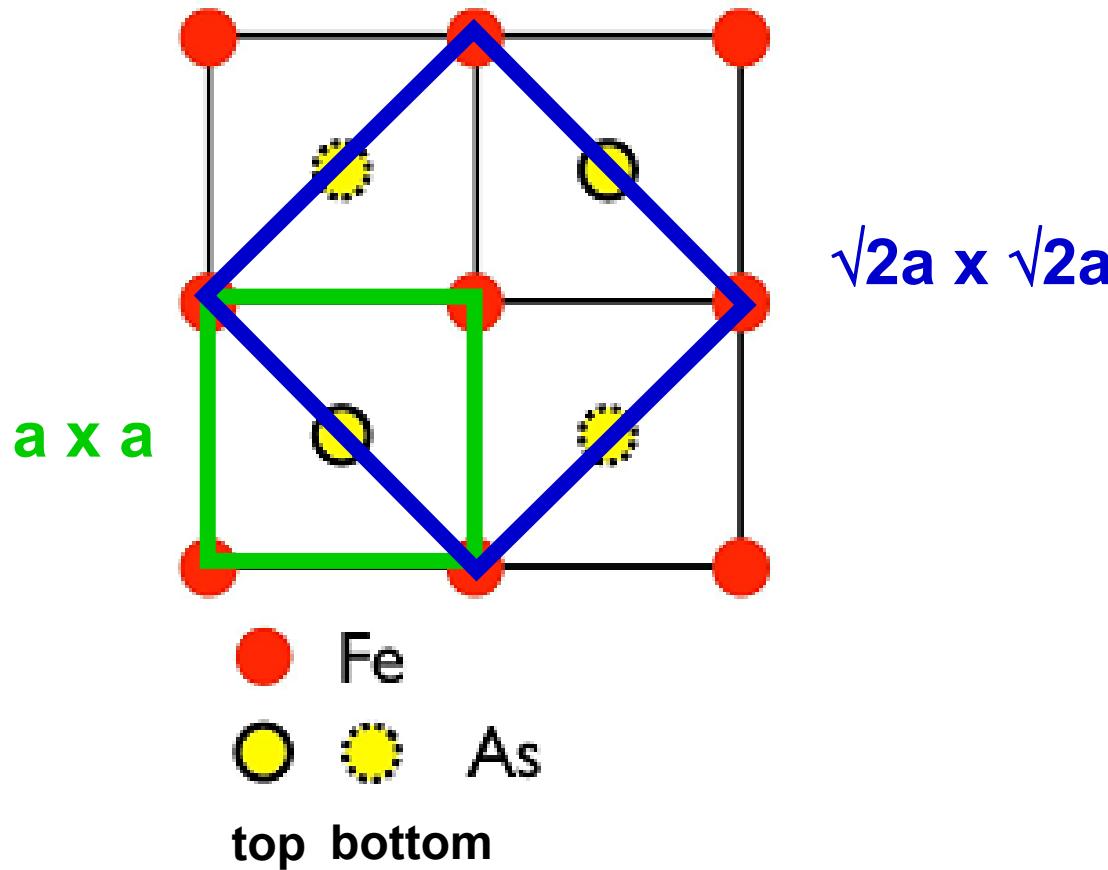
The unit cell contains two molecules, and the chemical formula is represented by  $(La_2O_2)(Fe_2 As_2)$

	a (Å)	c (Å)
SmOFeAs	3.940	8.496
NdOFeAs	3.965	8.575
PrOFeAs	3.985	8.595
CeOFeAs	3.996	8.648
LaOFeAs	4.038	8.753

Tetragonal  $P4/nmm$  space group

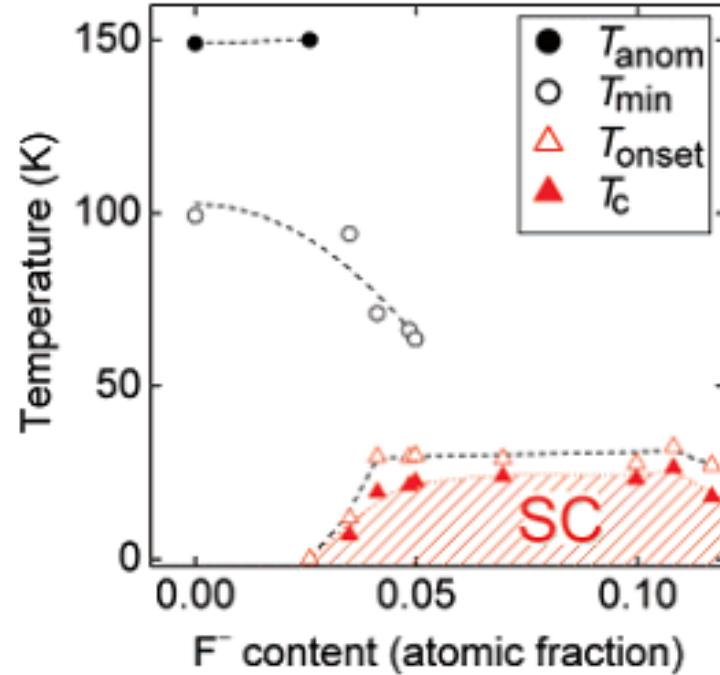
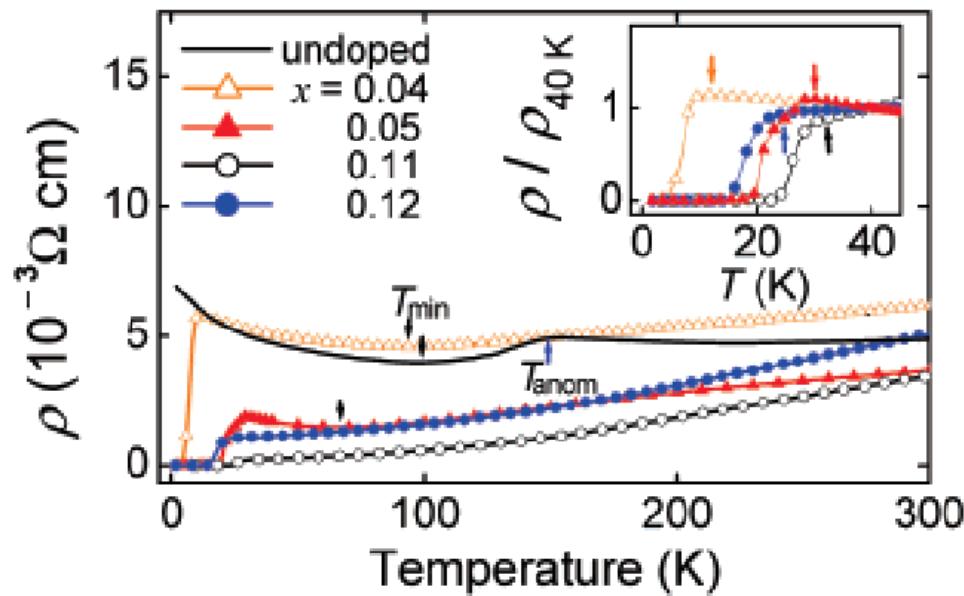
Y. Kamihara et al., J. Am. Chem. Soc. 130, 3296 (2008)

# Fe-layered structure and elementary unit cell



# Phase diagram: n-doped $(La^{3+}[O^{2-}_{1-x}F^{1-}_x]) + (Fe^{2+}As^{3-})$

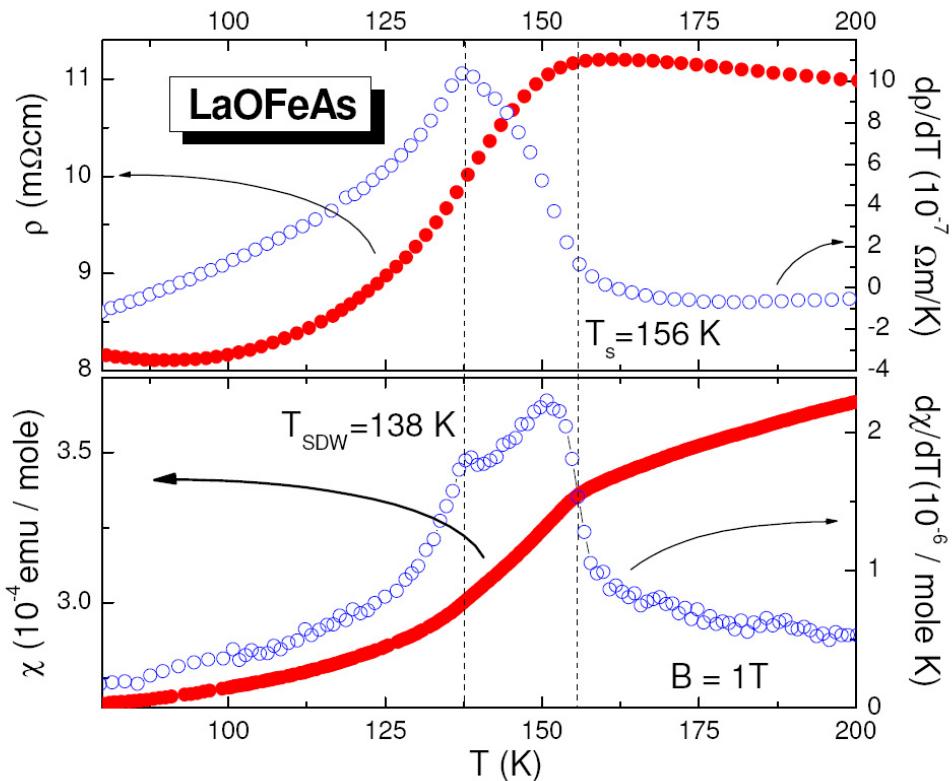
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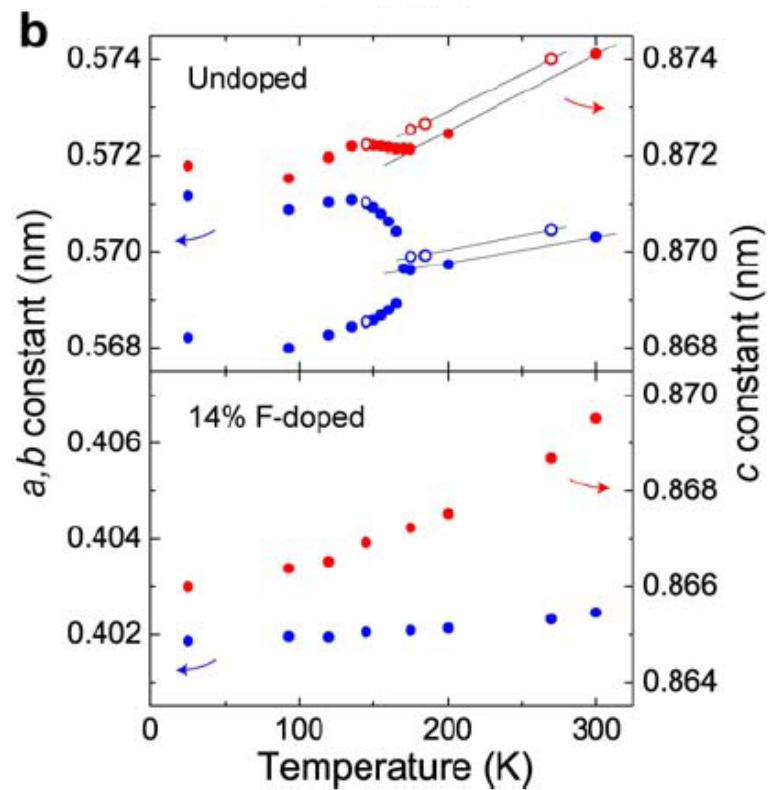
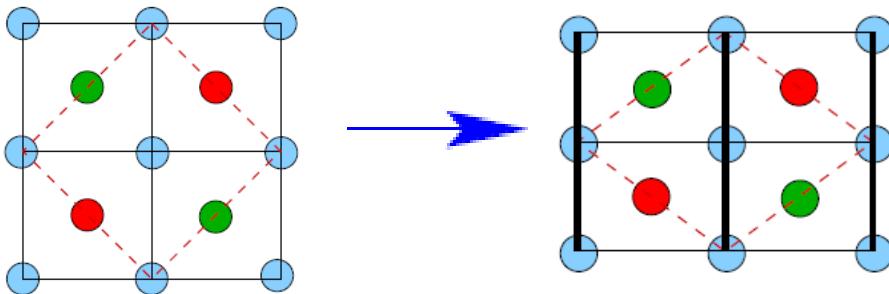
Similar phase diagrams in other  $ReFeAs(O_{1-x}F_x)$

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# Phase diagram: two phase transitions at $x=0$



H.-H. Klauss et al., arXiv:0805.0264



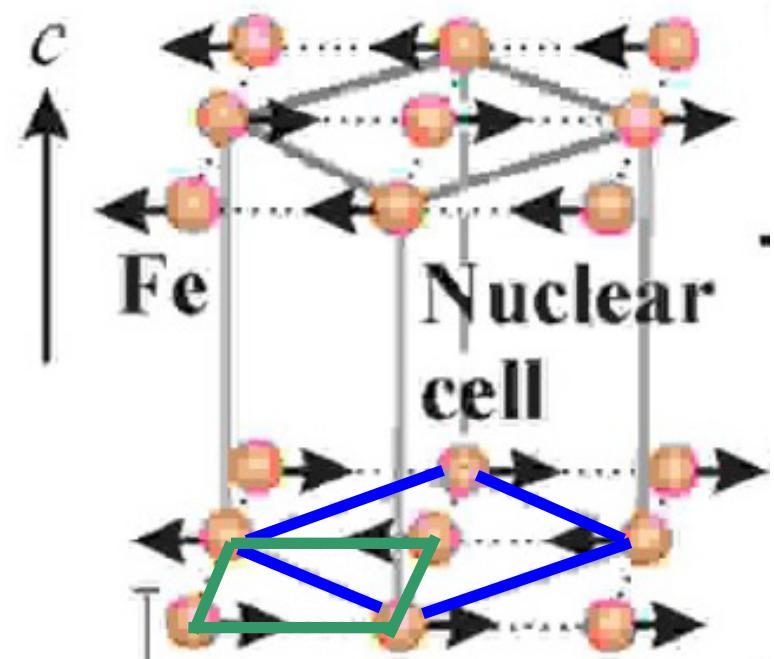
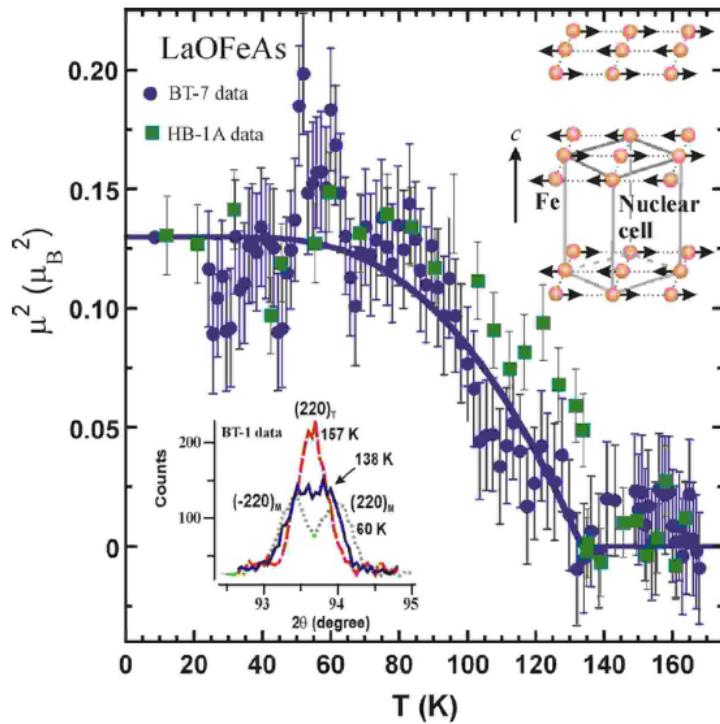
T. Nomura et al., arXiv:0804.3569

- 1) structural phase transition at 150K
- 2) no Curie-Weiss behavior above  $T_{struc}$

# Magnetic structure below $T_N$

Neutron scattering: C. de la Cruz et al., Nature 453, 899 (2008)  
 $\mu$ SR: H.-H. Klauss et al., arXiv:0805.0264

- 1) SDW order with  $\mathbf{Q}=(\pi,\pi)$  for  $\sqrt{2}\mathbf{a} \times \sqrt{2}\mathbf{a}$  or  $\mathbf{Q}'=(\pi,0)$  for  $\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{a}$
- 2) magnetic moments  $\sim 0.3 \mu_B$



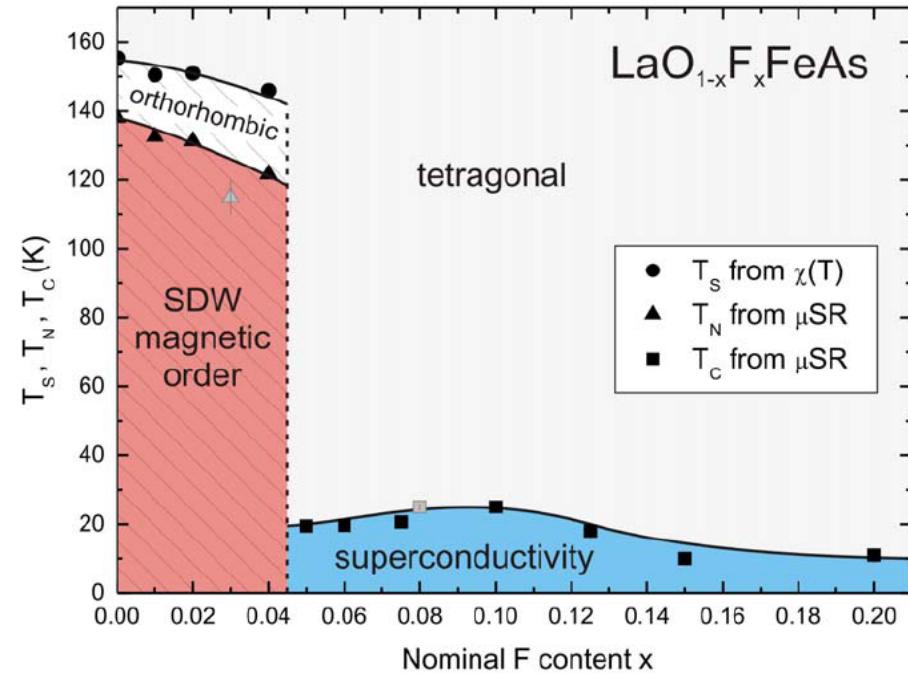
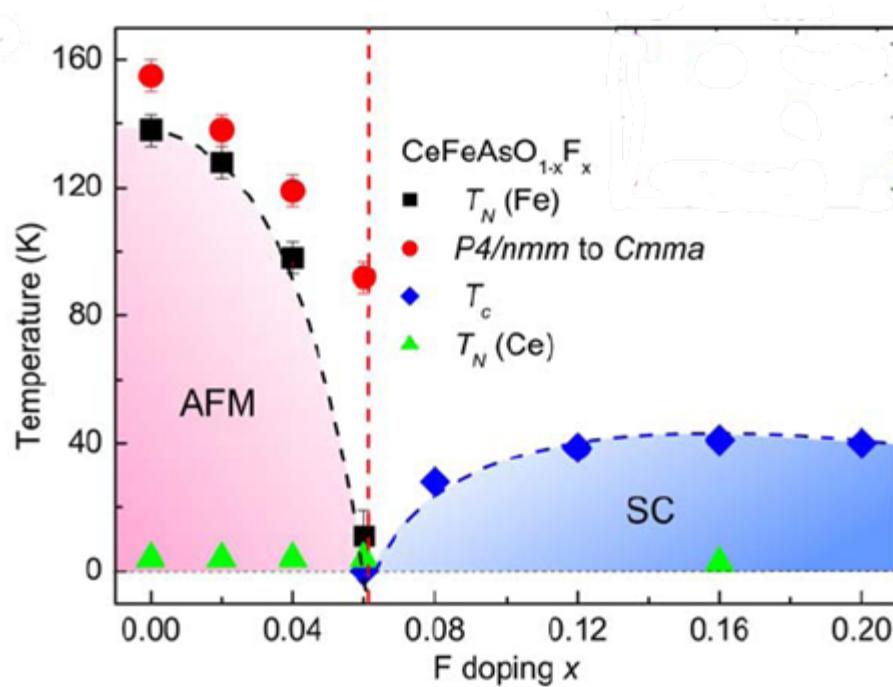
$CeFeAs(O_{1-x}F_x) \Rightarrow 0.8 \mu_B$  Neutron scattering: J. Zhao et al., arXiv:0806.2528

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# Magnetism as a function of doping

## CeFeAs( $O_{1-x}F_x$ )

J. Zhao et al., arXiv:0806.2528



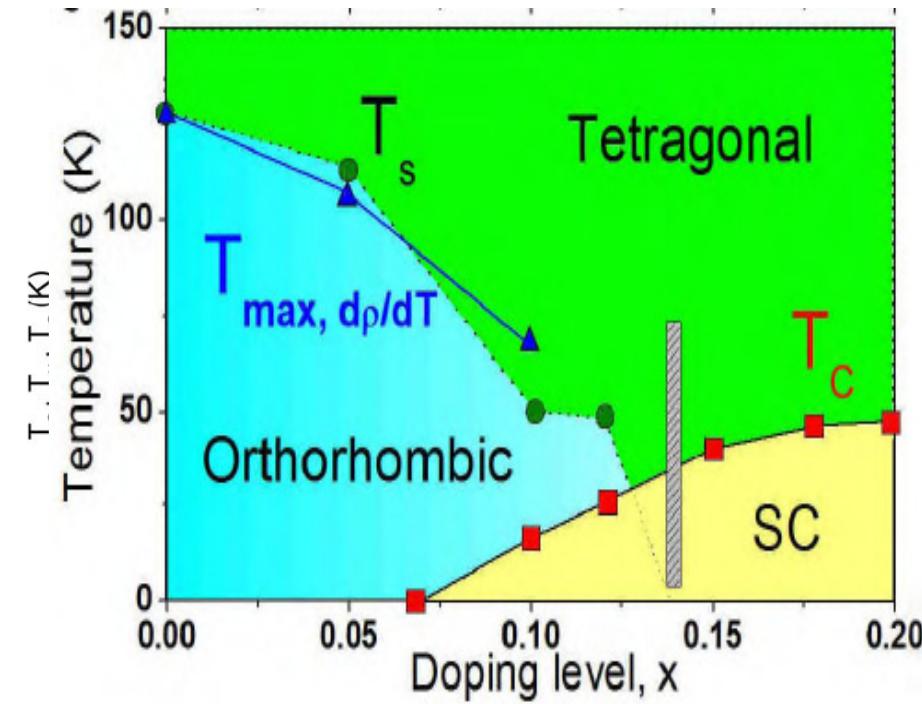
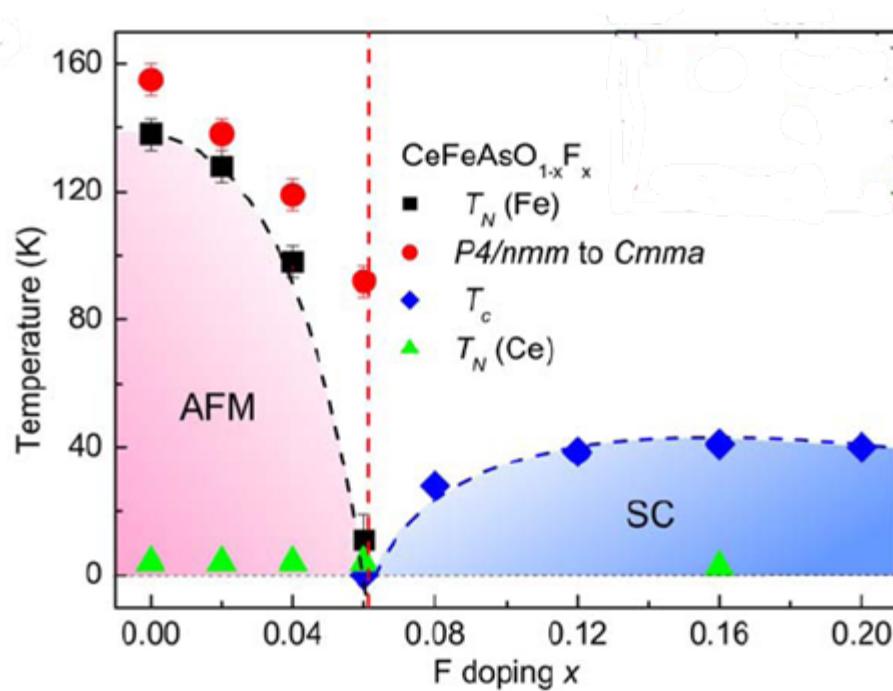
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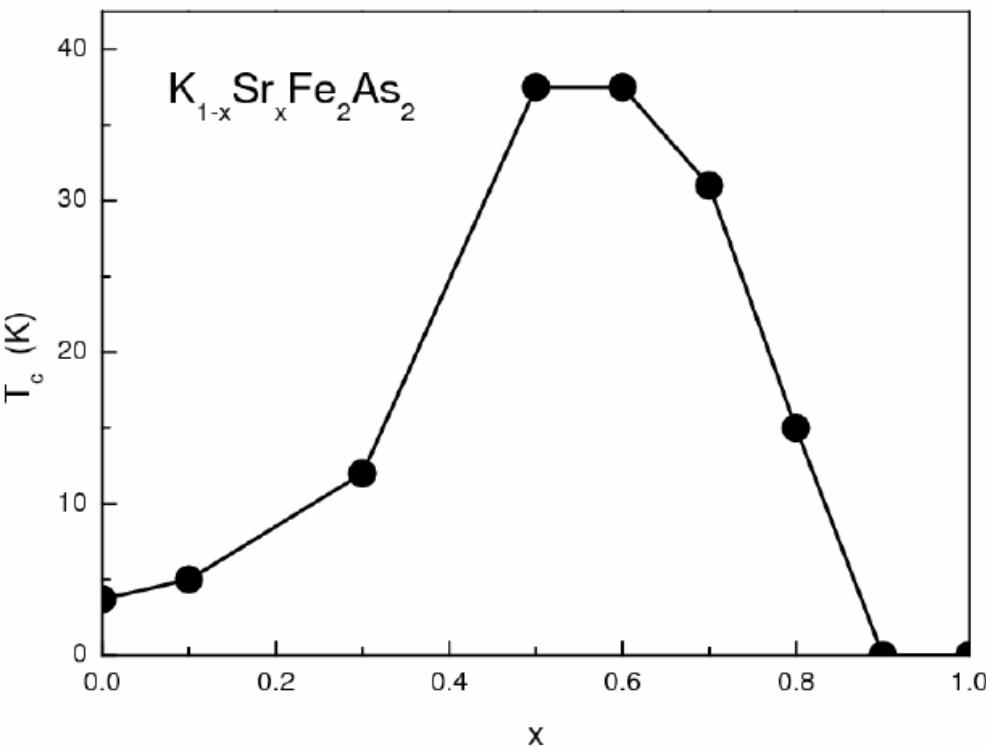


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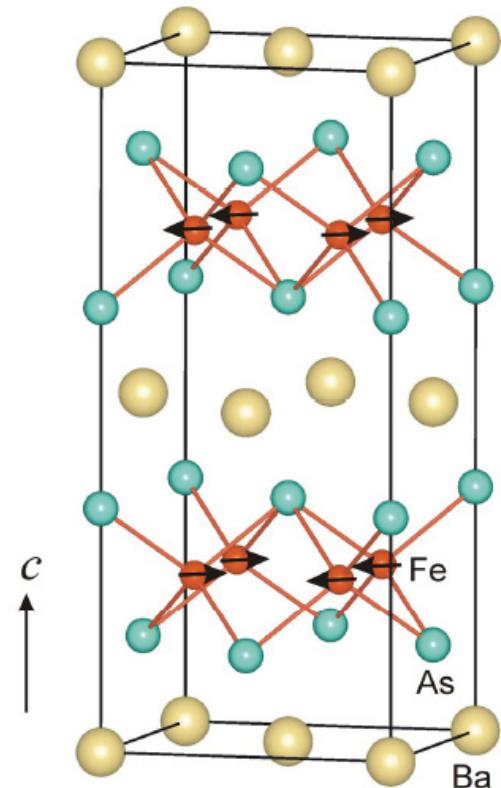
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# Phase diagram: h-doped $K_{1-x}A_xFe_2As_2$ with $A = Sr, Ba$ $(Sr_{1-x}^{2+}K^+_x) + (Fe^{2+}As^{3-})_2$

M. Rotter et al., arXiv:0805.4630 (2008); G.F. Chen et al., arXiv:0806.1209 (2008);  
 K. Sasmal et al., arXiv:0806.1301 (2008); G. Wu et al., arXiv:0806.1459 (2008).

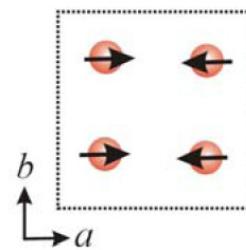


magnetic transition  $T_{SDW}=205K$

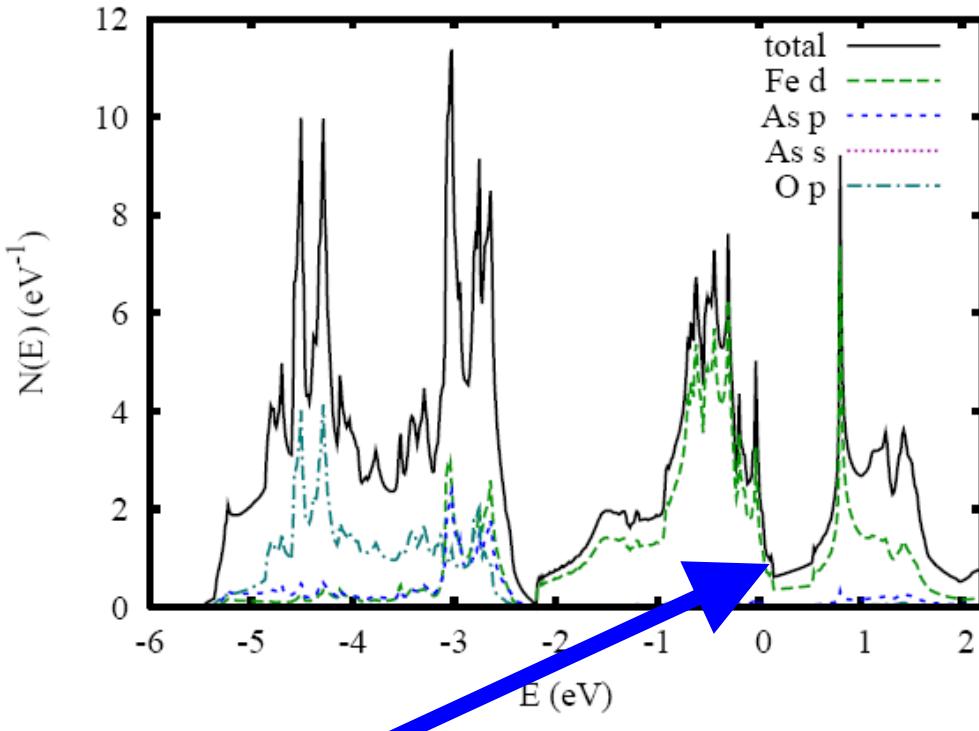


- 1) crystal structure is the same as  $CeCu_2Si_2$
- 2) maximum  $T_c = 38K$  (two FeAs layers per unit cell)
- 3) structural and magnetic transition occur at the same temperature
- 4) FM along b direction, AFM along a direction ( $b < a$ )

Q. Huang et al., arXiv:0806.2776 (2008)



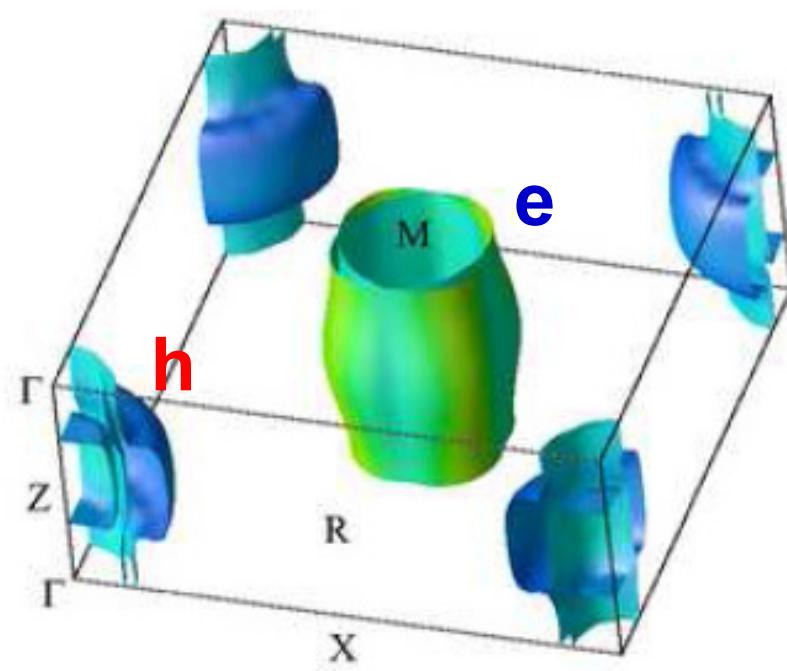
# Electronic structure: LAPW LDA



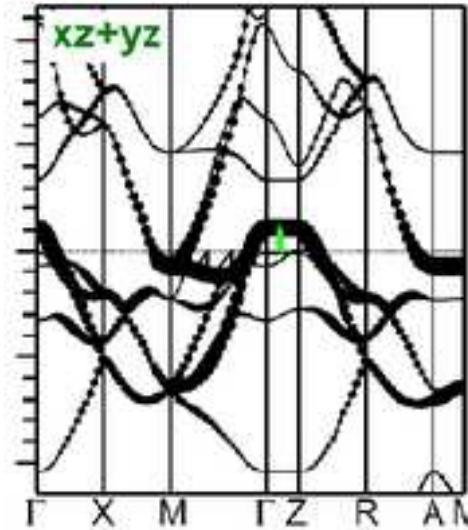
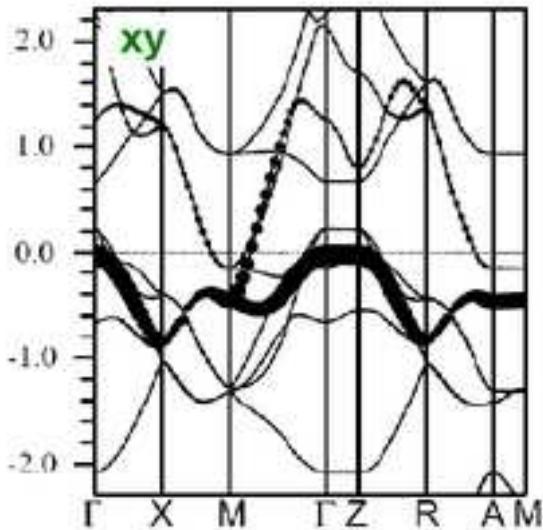
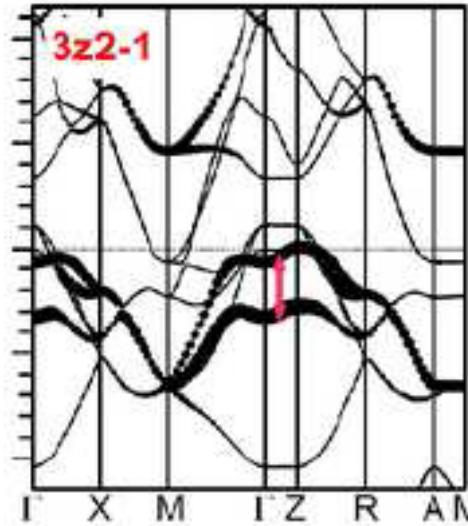
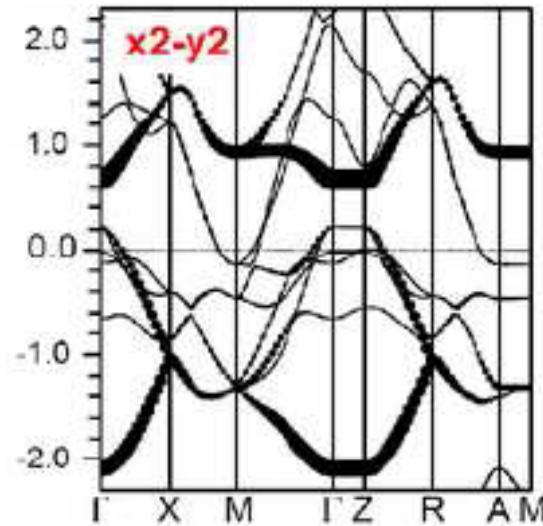
**Fe<sup>2+</sup> 3d<sup>6</sup>-states**

**Weak CEF splitting: all 5(10) orbitals are crossing the Fermi level**

S. Lebegue, PRB 75, 035110 (2007);  
D.J. Singh, and M.-H. Du, PRL 100, 237003  
(2008);  
I.I. Mazin et al., arXiv:0803.2740

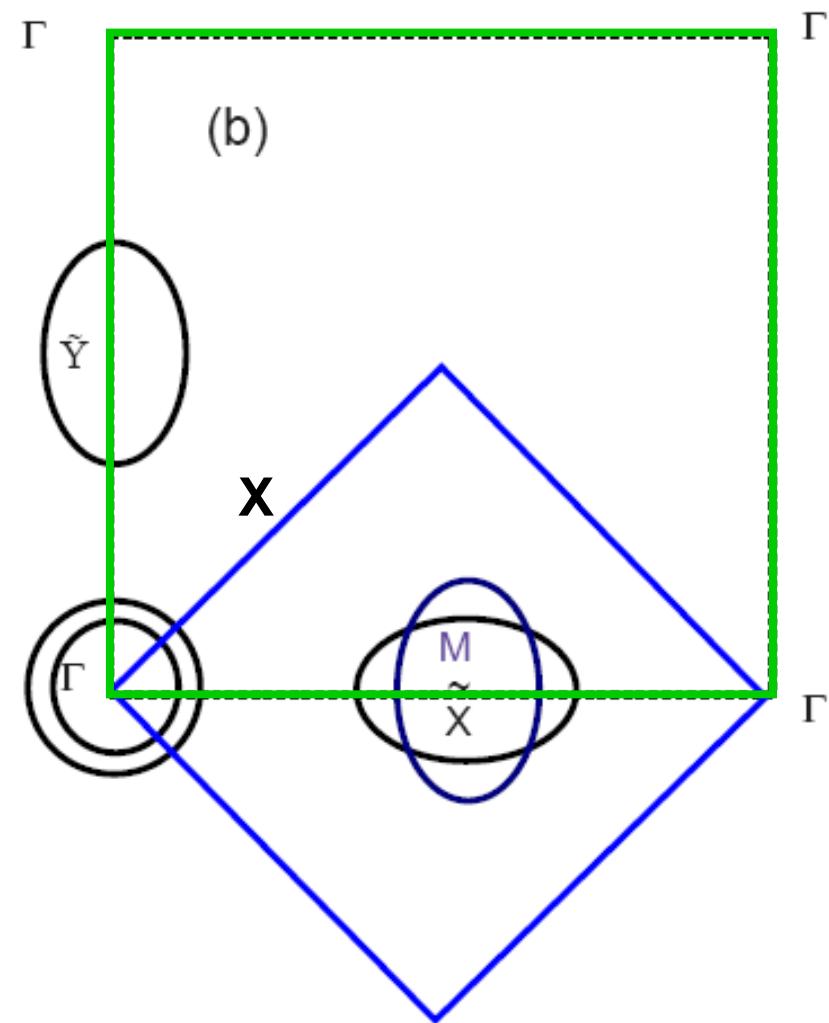
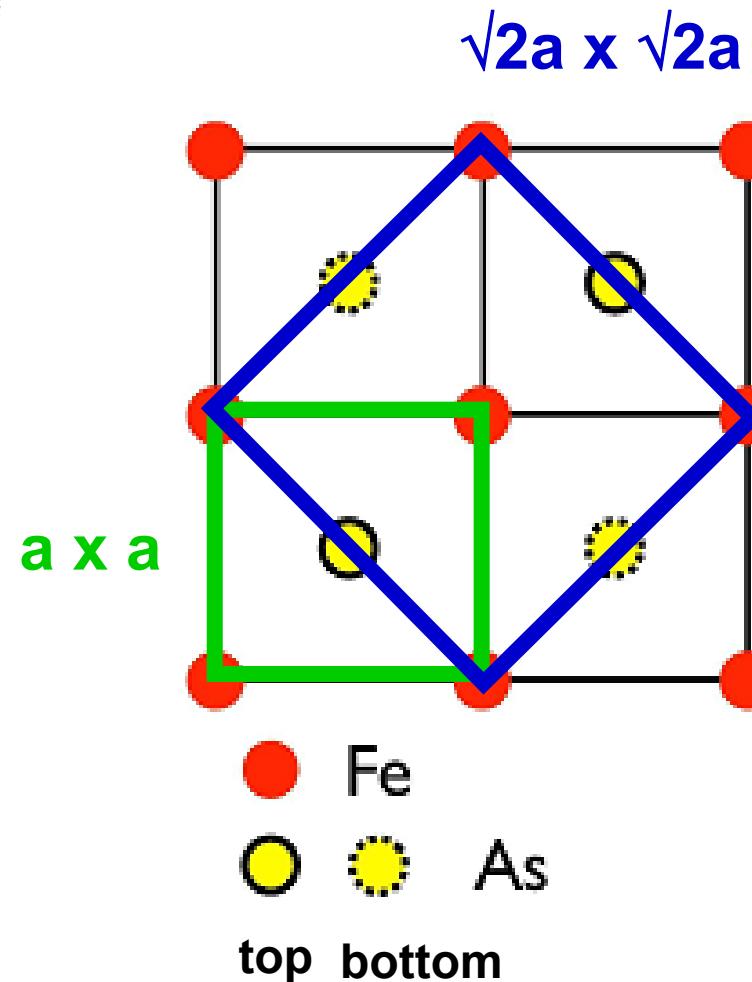


# Electronic Structure: Bands close to Fermi Level



L. Boeri, O.V. Dolgov, and A.A. Golubov, PRL 101, 026403 (2008)  
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# Electronic Structure: FS folding



I.I. Mazin et al., arXiv:0803.2740v3

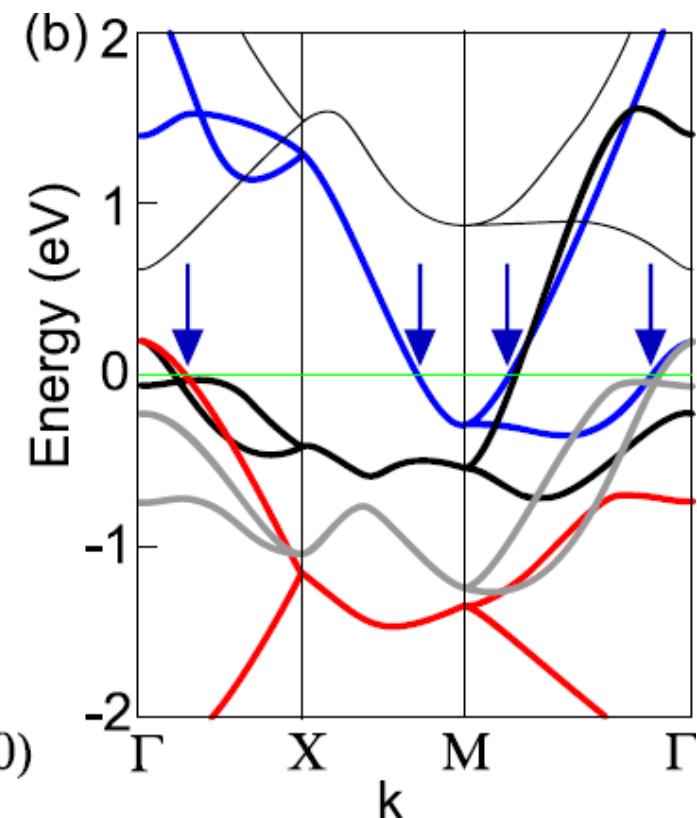
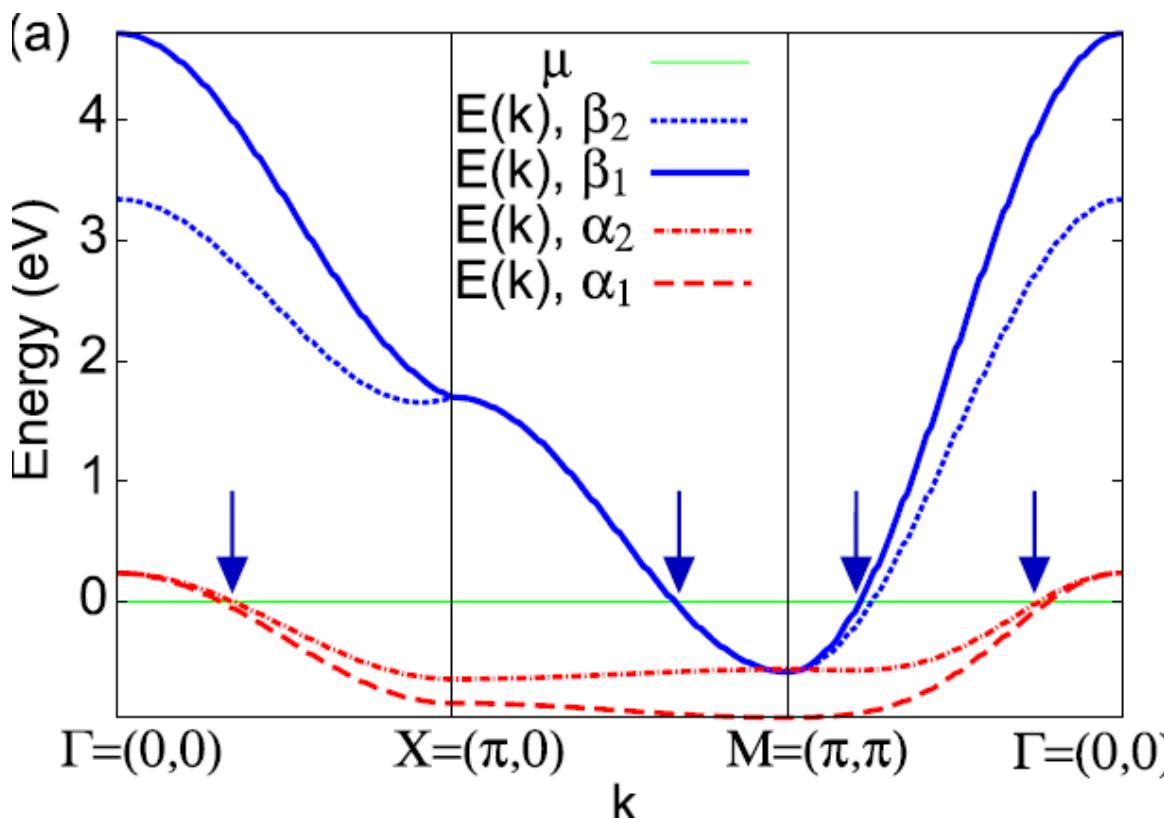
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# Effective low-energy model

1) based on the two  $(xz, yz)$  orbitals plus hybridization between them  
S. Raghu et al., arXiv:0804.1113 (PRB 77 (R), (2008))

2) 5-bands tight-binding: K. Kuroki et al., arxiv:0803.3325

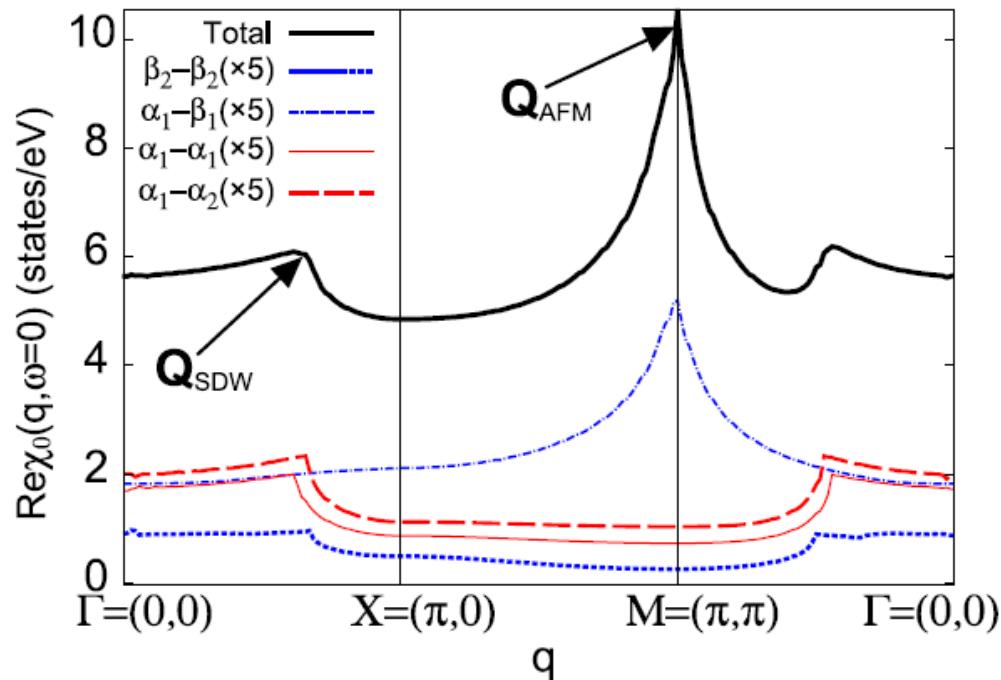
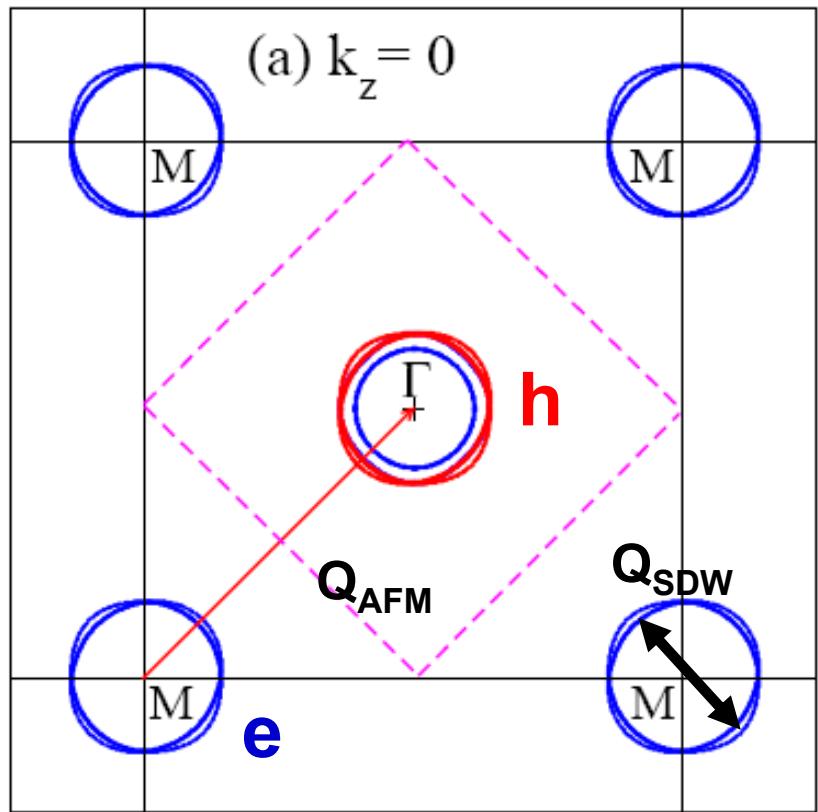
3) matrix elements equal unity: four-bands model



M. Korshunov and I. Eremin arXiv:0804.1793

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# Magnetic excitations: nearly perfect nesting at $x=0$



1) nearly perfect nesting, agrees with LDA [J. Dong et al., EPL 83, 27006 (2008).]

M. Korshunov and I. Eremin arXiv:0804.1793

# Itinerant magnetism at AFM wave vector: RPA

$$\hat{\chi}_{RPA}(\mathbf{q}, i\omega_m) = [\mathbf{I} - \Gamma \hat{\chi}_0(\mathbf{q}, i\omega_m)]^{-1} \hat{\chi}_0(\mathbf{q}, i\omega_m)$$

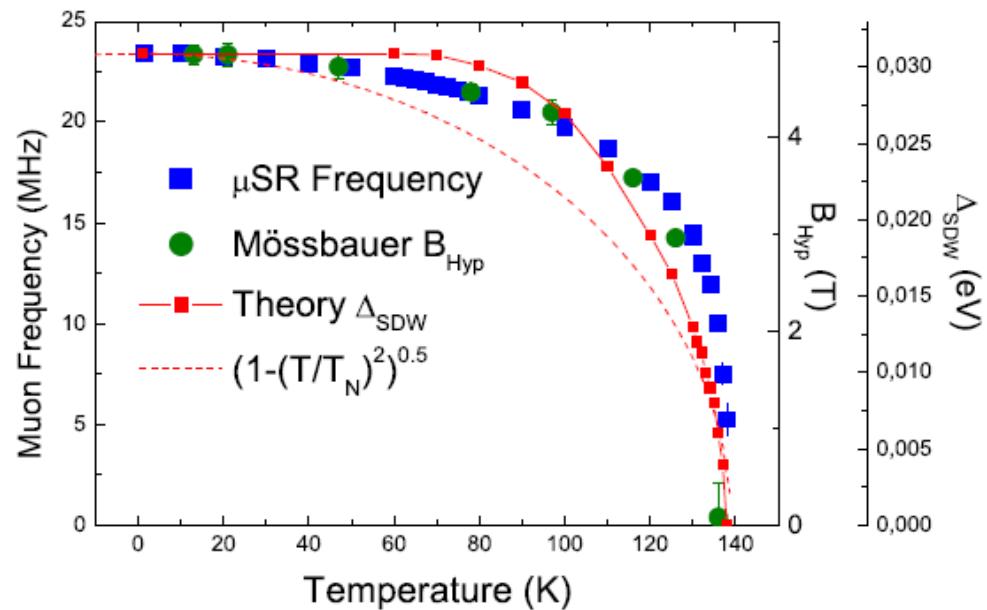
$$\Gamma = \begin{bmatrix} U & J/2 & J/2 & J/2 \\ J/2 & U & J/2 & J/2 \\ J/2 & J/2 & U & J/2 \\ J/2 & J/2 & J/2 & U \end{bmatrix}$$

Magnetic instability at  $\mathbf{Q}_{AFM}$   
 $\det|\mathbf{I}-\Gamma\chi_0|=0$

$U=0.26\text{eV}$   
 $J=U/5$

$\mu=0.32 \mu_B$

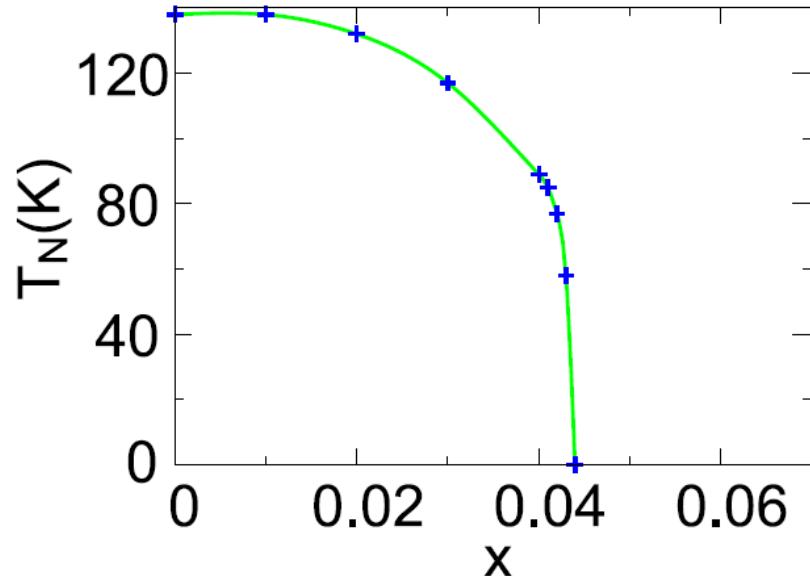
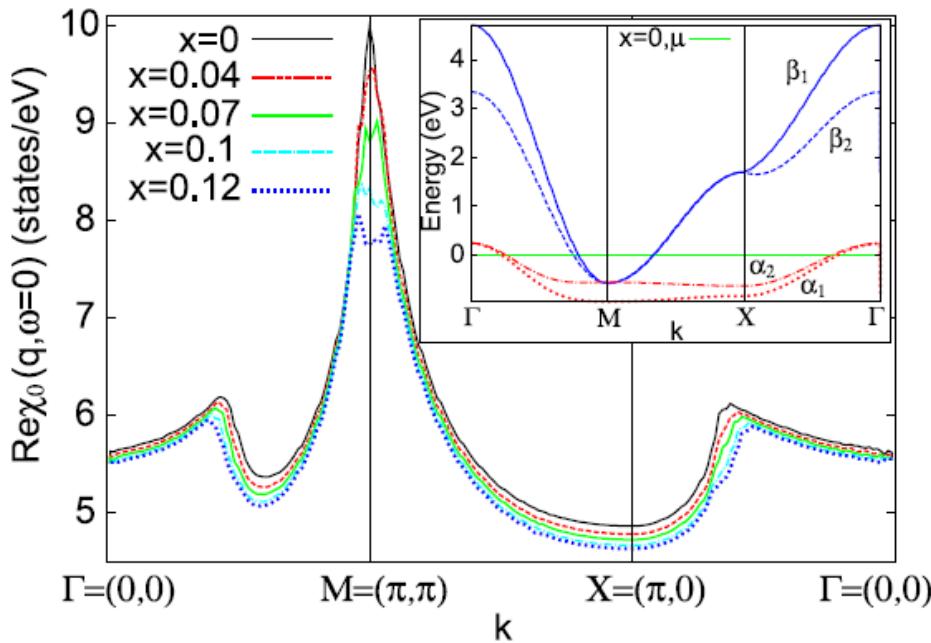
$\mu^2=0.1 (\mu_B)^2$



H.-H. Klauss et al., arXiv:0805.0264

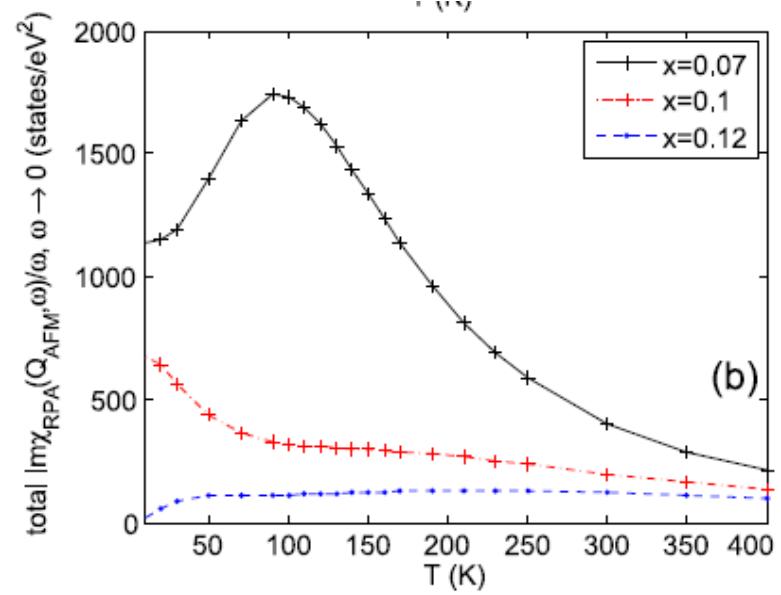
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# Itinerant magnetism: doping dependence



Instead of nesting → 'hot' spots  
magnetic instability decreases

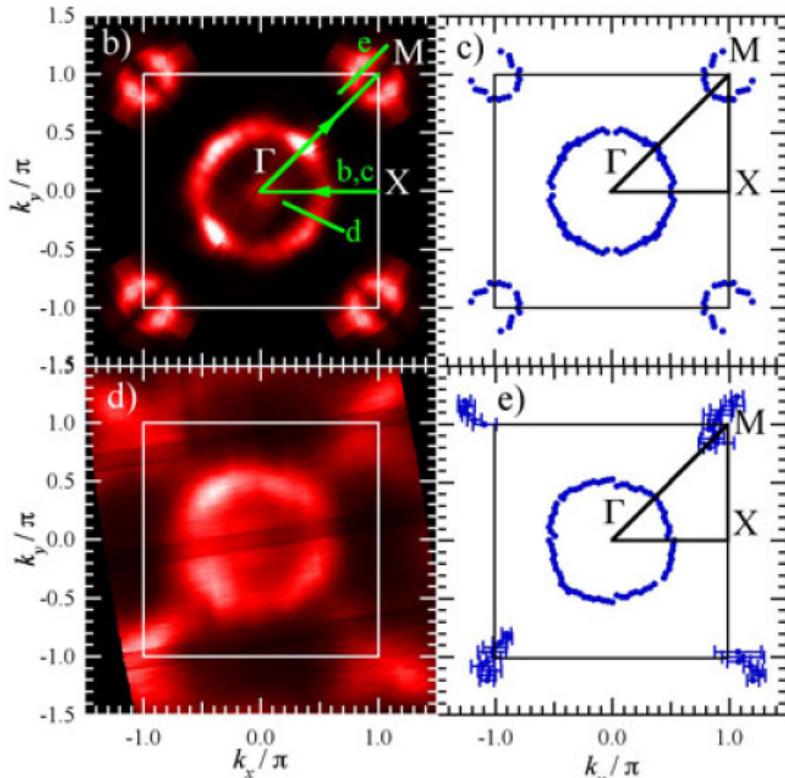
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Europhys. Lett.,



# ARPES Fermi surfaces

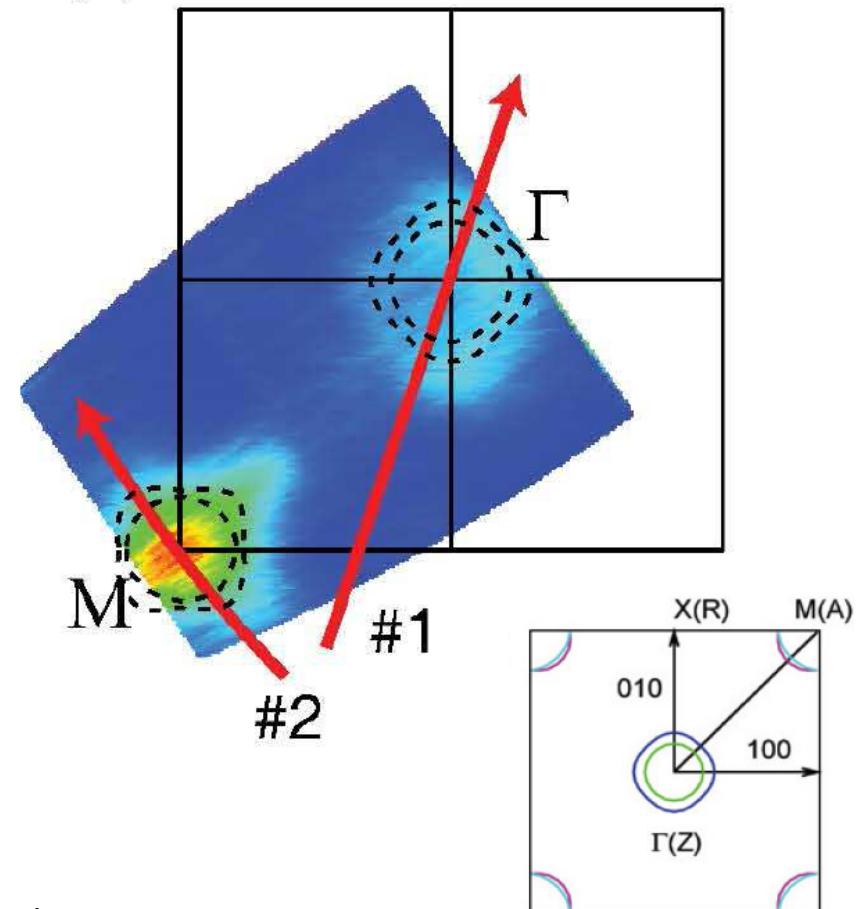
$\text{NdFeAs}(O_{1-x}F_x)$  ( $x=0.1$  before cleavage)

C. Liu et al., arXiv:0806.2147v3



$\text{BaFe}_2\text{As}_2$

L.X. Yang et al., arXiv:0806.2627v1



Both electron and hole pockets do exist

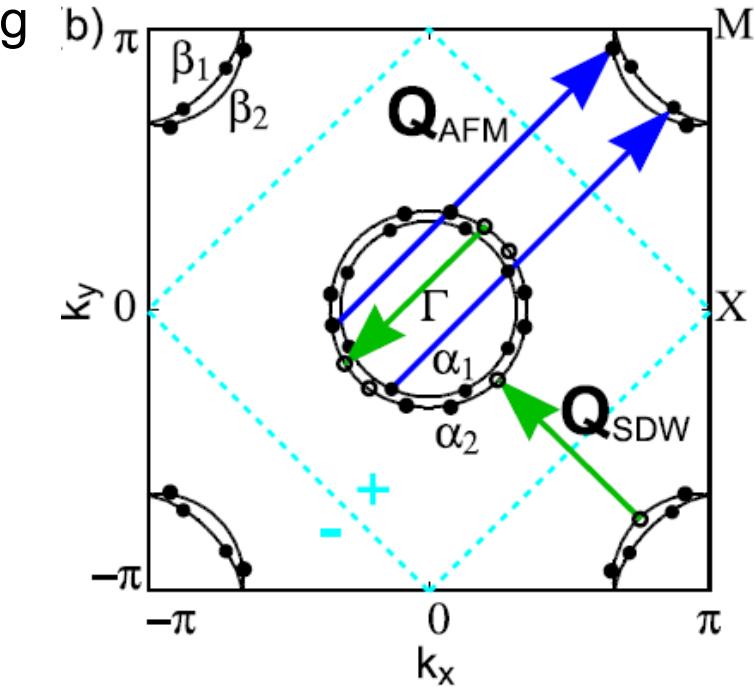
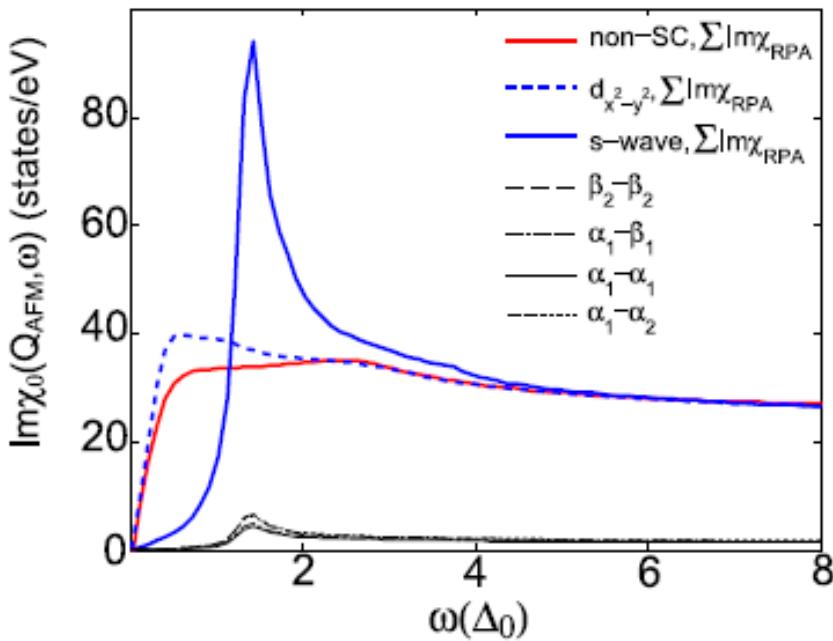
There is a Fermi surface even at zero doping

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# Non-phononic mechanism of superconductivity

interband AFM fluctuations enhancing  
interband Cooper-pair scattering:  
extended s-wave

$$\Delta_{\mathbf{k}} = \frac{\Delta_0}{2} (\cos k_x + \cos k_y)$$

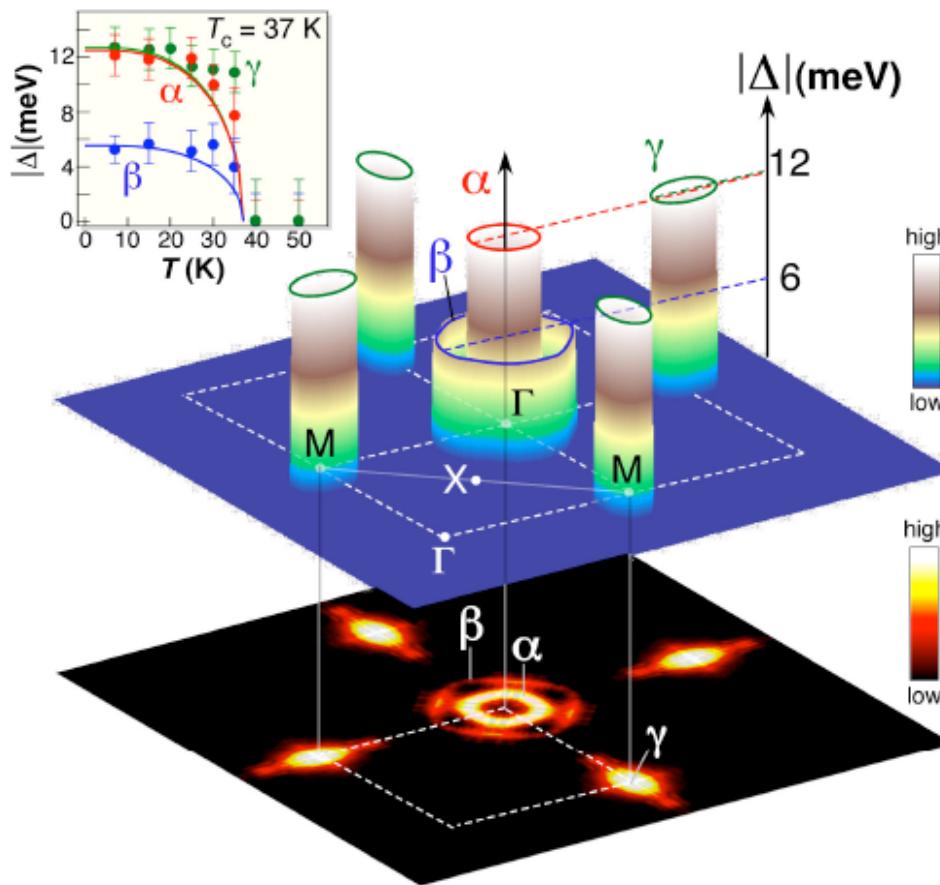


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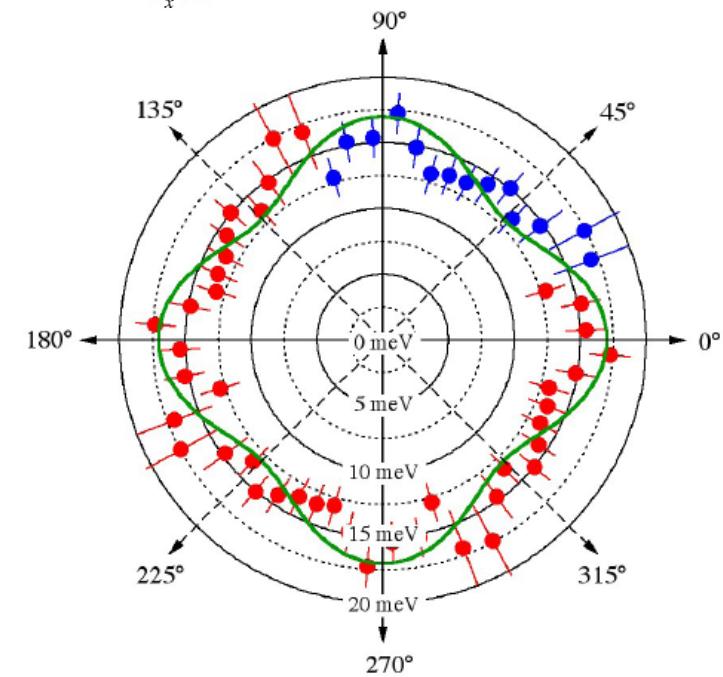
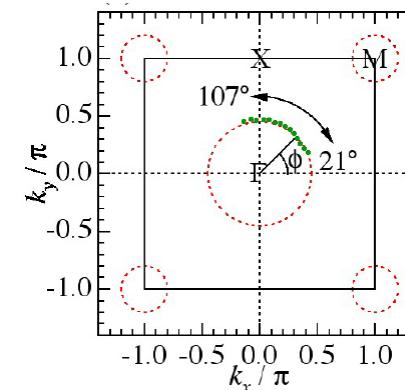
- 1) isotropic gap in thermodynamics (no nodes at the Fermi surface - at least in simple picture)
- 2) no Hebel-Slichter peak in  $1/T_1$ , resonance peak in INS

# Symmetry of the superconducting gap

## 1) nearly isotropic gap in ARPES



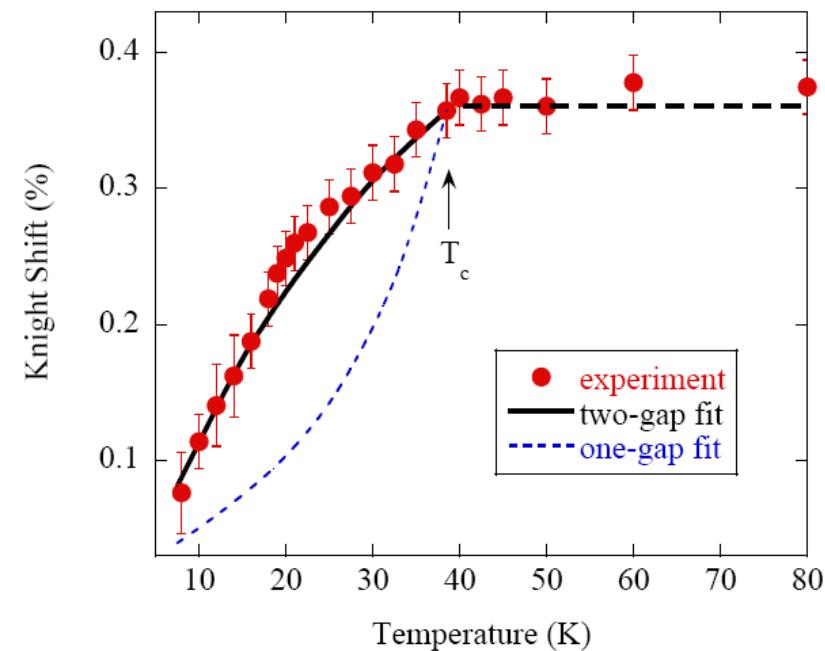
H. Ding et al., arXiv:0807.0419



T. Kondo et al., arXiv:0807.0815

# Exp. situation: NMR data

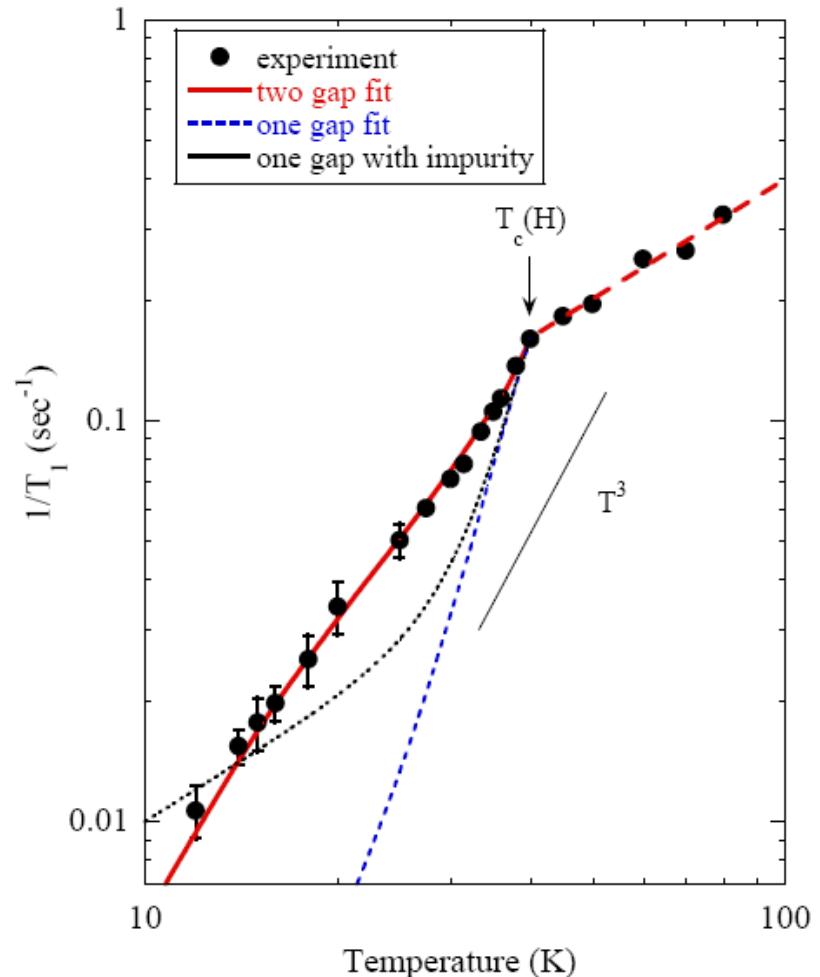
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K. Matano et al., arXiv:0806.0249

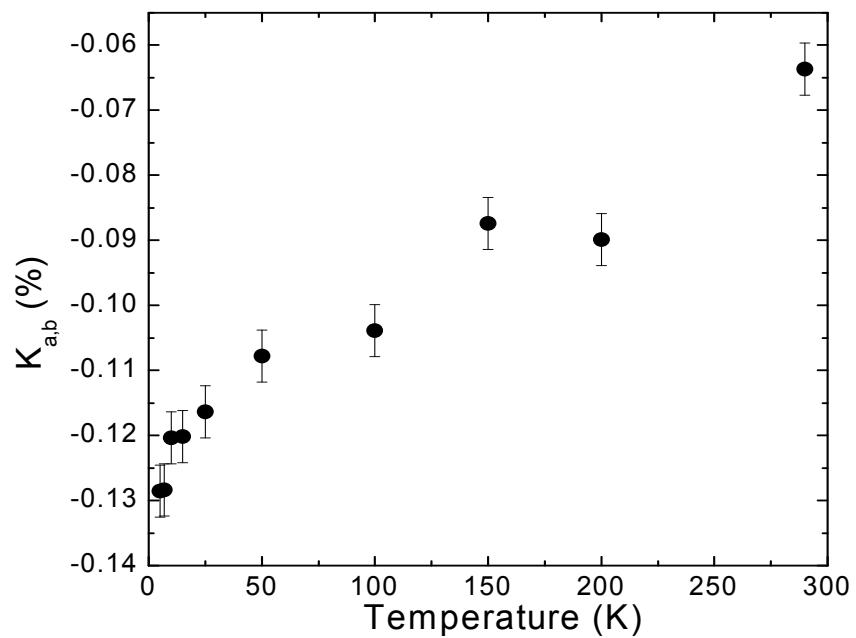
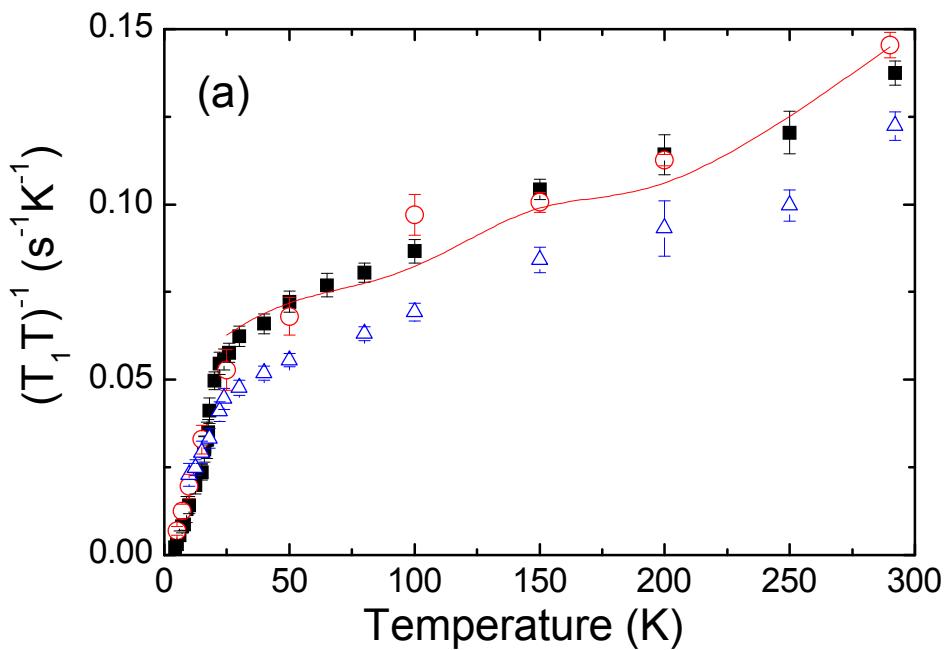
$\text{LaFeAs(O}_{1-x}\text{F}_x\text{)} (x=0.11)$

Y. Nakai et al., JPSJ 77 (2008)  
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nodal lines at the Fermi surface (not expected in the extended s-wave gap), multiple gaps  
**further studies are necessary**  
(conflict with pen. depth, tunneling and  $\mu$ SR - isotropic gap)

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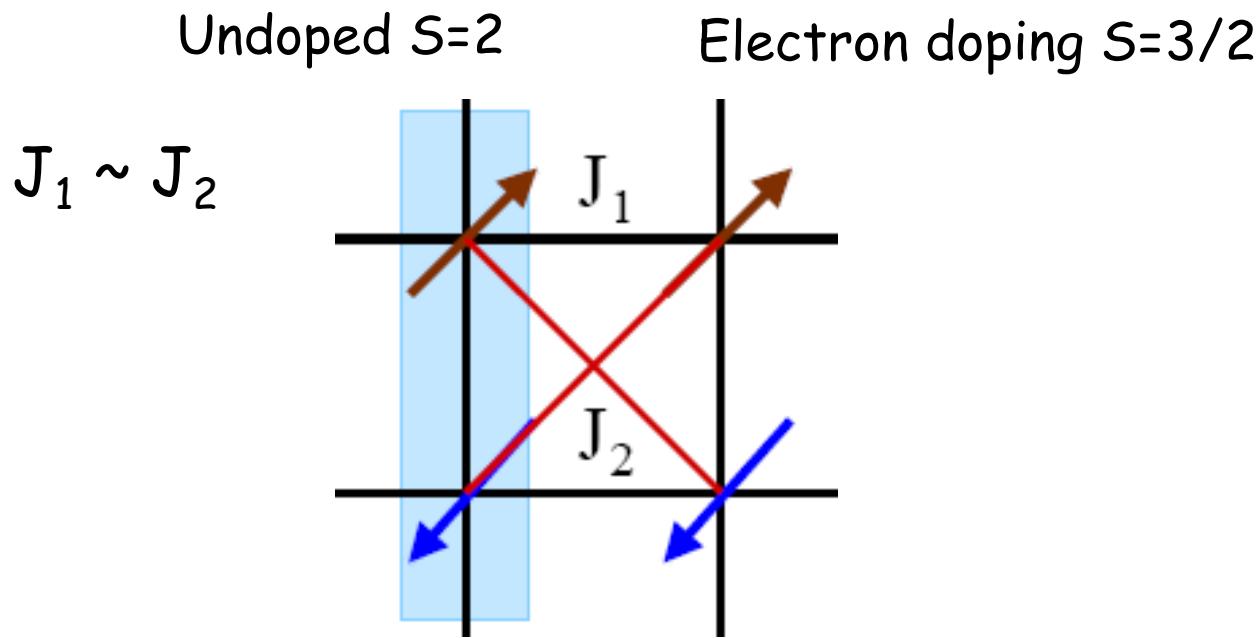
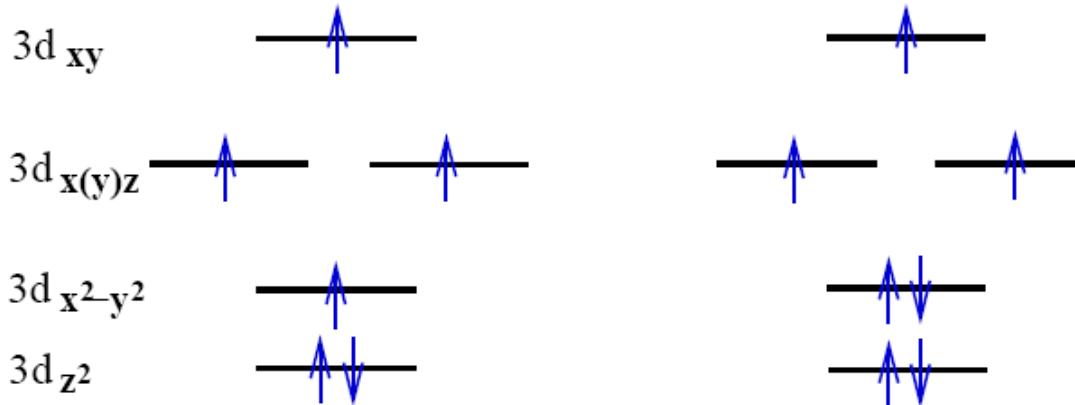


## Spin lattice relaxation in the normal state:

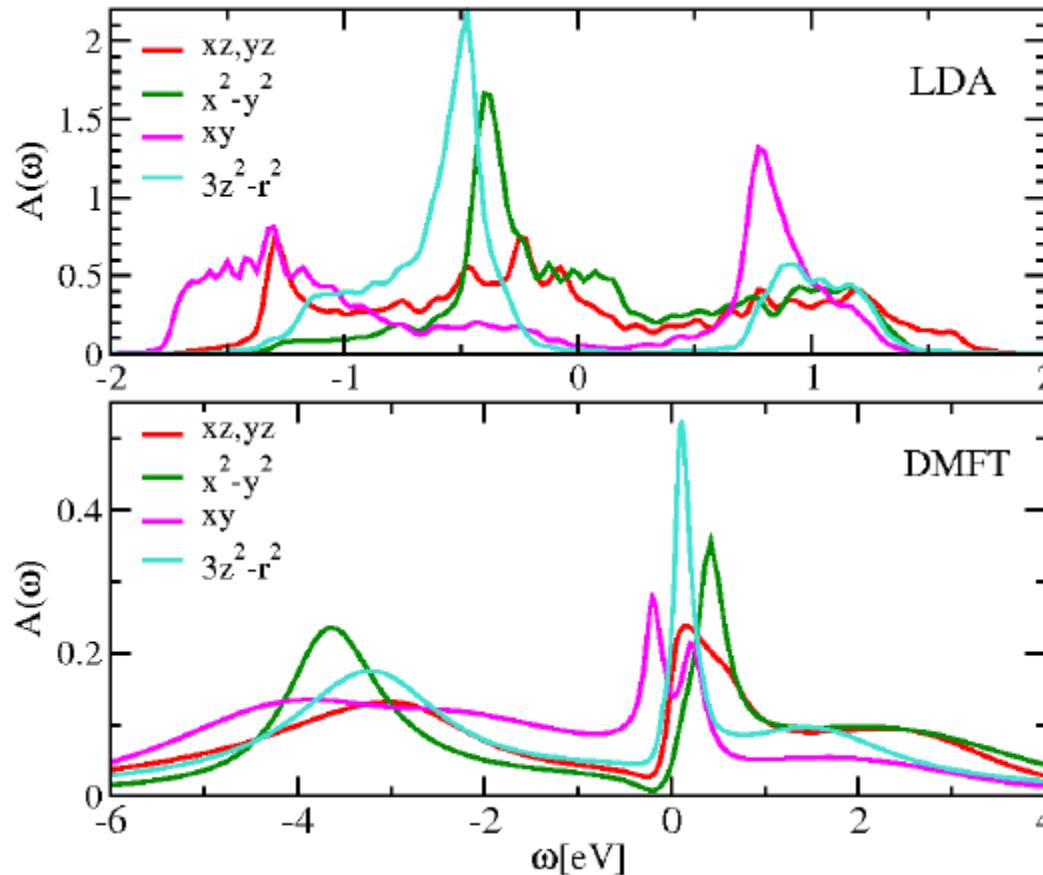
- Korringa behavior:  $K_{ab}^2/\alpha\kappa$ ,  $\kappa$  = Korringa constant typical for metals
- no signatures of spin fluctuations (in the As NMR!!!), Pseudogap

# Possible effect of frustrations

Q. Si and E. Abrahams, arXiv:08.04.2480v1; C. Fang et al., arXiv: 0804.3843v1; T. Yildirim arXiv0804.2252; F. Ma, arXiv:0804.3370v3



# Electronic correlation effects



- 1) correlations are moderate  $\Rightarrow$  no Mott transition  $U \sim 1$  eV
- 2) situation changes for significant  $J_H \sim 0.7$  eV  $\Rightarrow$  orbital selective Mott transition

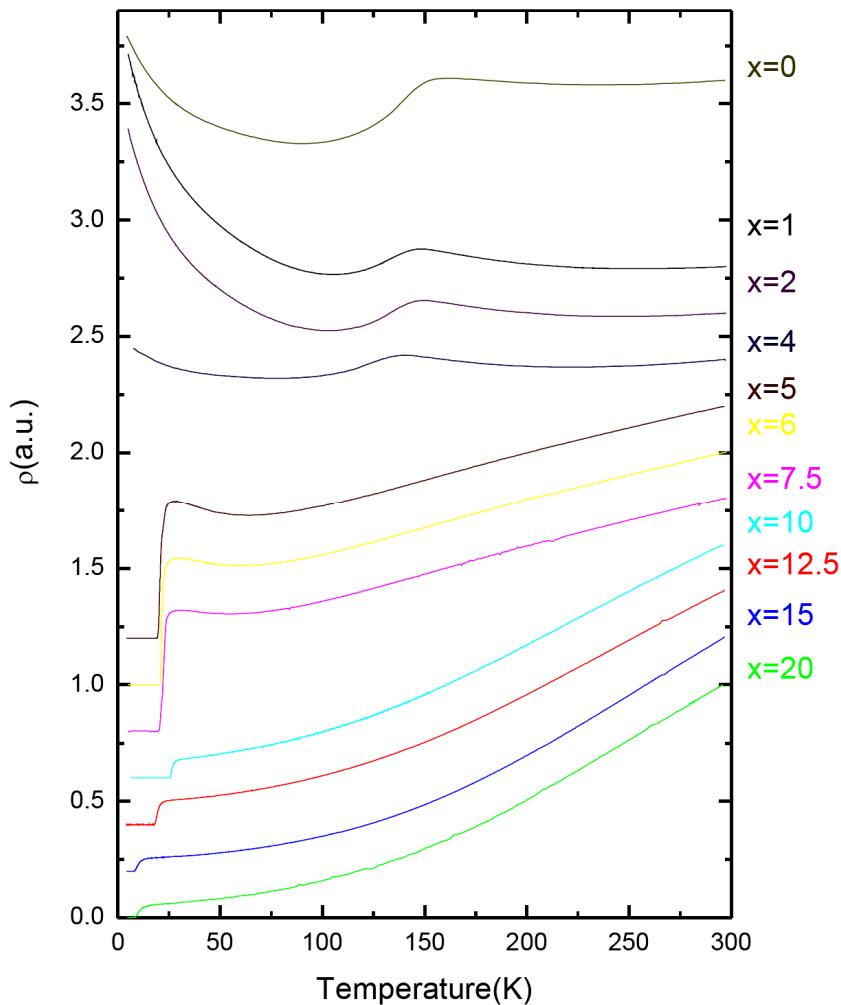
K. Haule, J.H. Shim, and G. Kotliar, Phys. Rev. Lett. 100, 226402 (2008); K. Haule, G. Kotliar, arXiv:0805.0722

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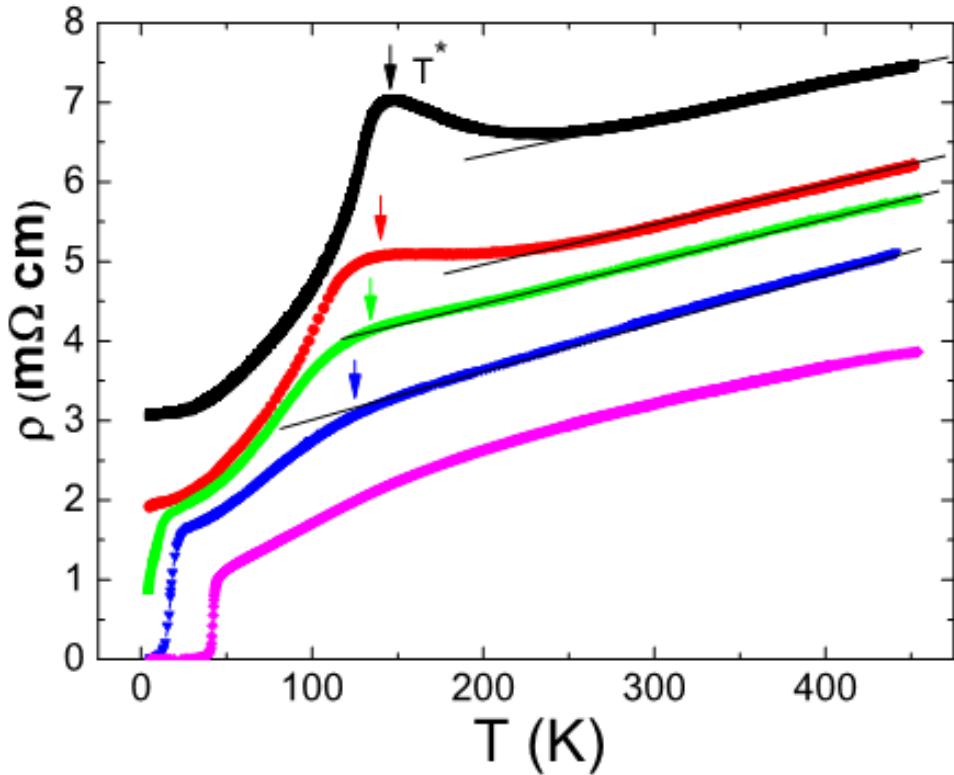
# Effect of the magnetic rare-earth substitution

$\text{LaFeAs}(O_{1-x}F_x)$

B. Buechner et al., unpublished



$\text{SmFeAs}(O_{1-x}F_x)$



Resistivity does not  $\sim T^2$   
for large  $x$

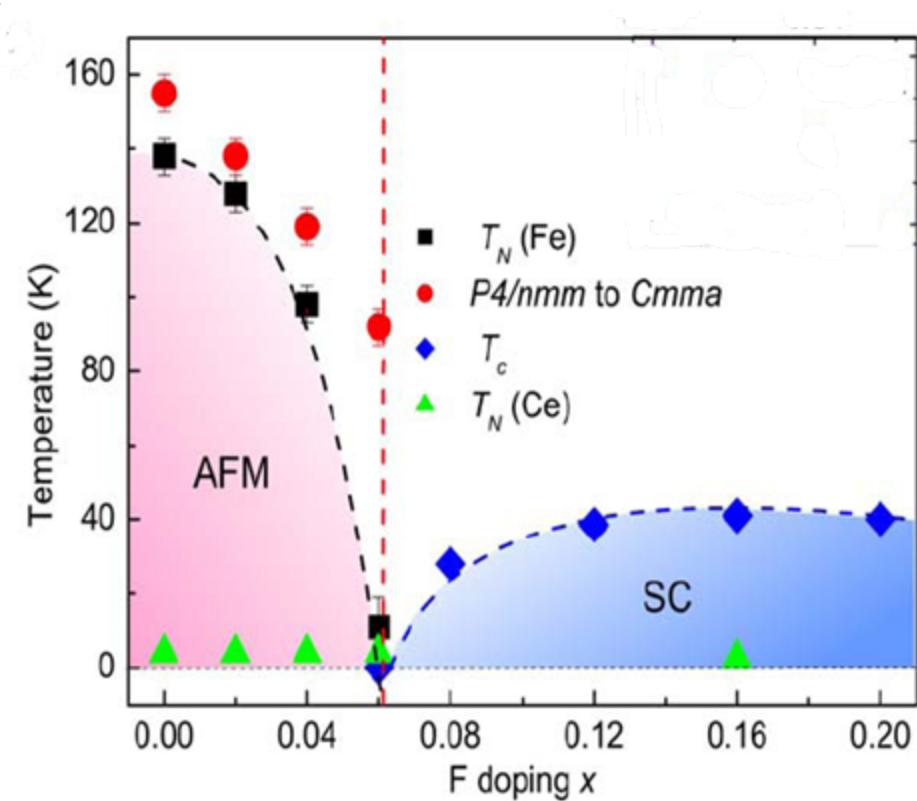
Resistivity  $\sim T^2$  at  $x > 0.12$

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L. Pourovskii et al., arXiv:0807.1037

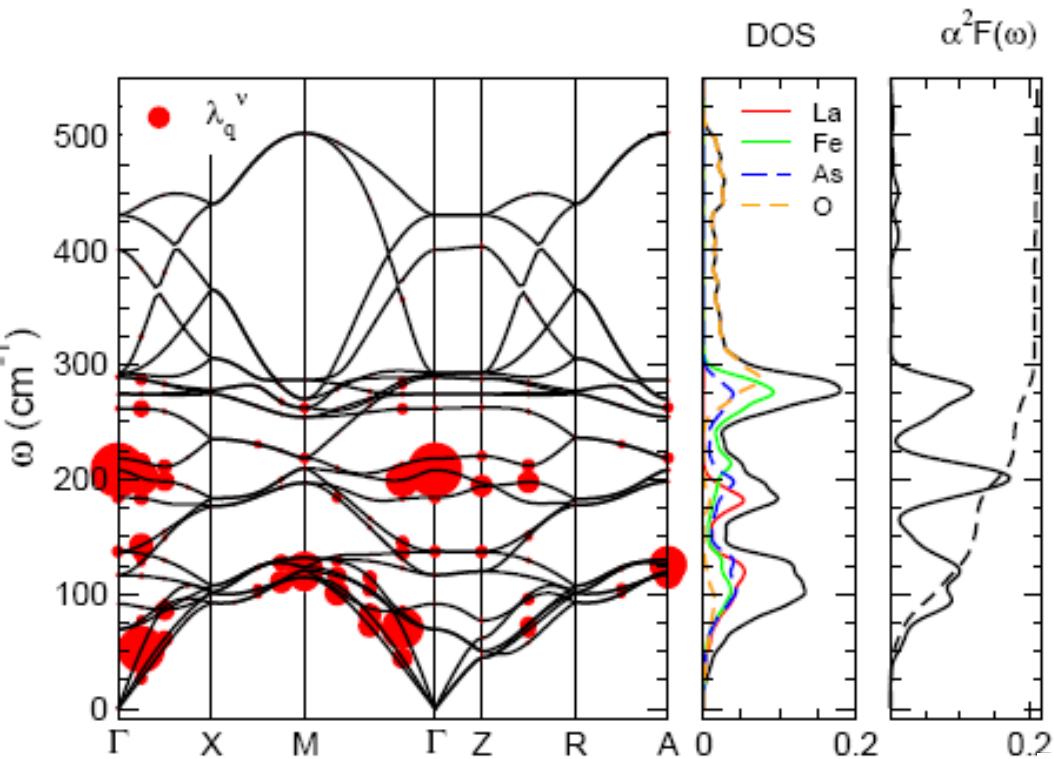


# $\text{ReFeAs(O}_{1-x}\text{F}_x\text{)}$ and $\text{K}_{1-x}\text{A}_x\text{Fe}_2\text{As}_2$ superconductors: present questions



- 1) Origin of the structural transition
- 2) Interrelation of structural transition and magnetism
- 3) frustrations effects?
- 4) orbital effects
- 5) symmetry of superconducting gap (extended s-wave)
- 6) relevance of spin fluctuations above  $T_c$
- 7) influence of the magnetic rare-earth elements
- 8) effect of electronic correlations
- 9) ...

# Standard electron-phonon interaction



$\lambda = 0.21$  For Al  $\lambda=0.44$

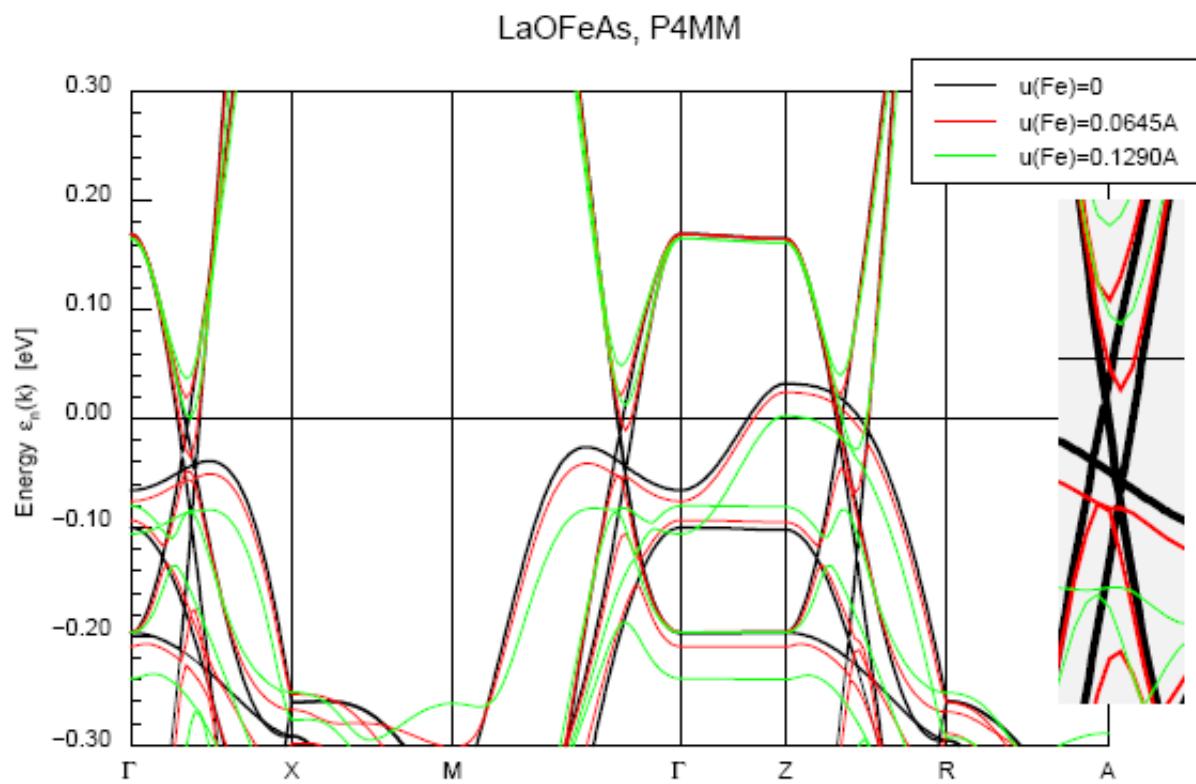
Not sufficient to explain SC

L. Boeri, O.V. Dolgov, and A.A. Golubov, arXiv:0803.2703;  
D.J. Singh and M.-H. Du,  
arXiv:0803.0429

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha^2 F(\omega) &= \frac{1}{N(0)} \sum_{nm\mathbf{k}} \delta(\varepsilon_{n\mathbf{k}}) \delta(\varepsilon_{m\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}) \times \\ &\quad \times \sum_{\nu\mathbf{q}} |g_{\nu, n\mathbf{k}, m(\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q})}|^2 \delta(\omega - \omega_{\nu\mathbf{q}}); \\ \lambda(\omega) &= 2 \int_0^\omega d\Omega \alpha^2 F(\Omega) / \Omega\end{aligned}$$

# El-ph interaction enhanced due to nesting

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DOS as a function of Fe breathing phonon mode displacement

