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<sup>1</sup> CMR= Colossal negative MagnetoResistance  $[R(H)-R(0)]/R(0)$

<sup>1</sup> HTSC= High Temperature SuperConductivity

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# Phase separation in high- $T_c$ 's and colossal magnetoresistance manganites

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- $\text{La}_2\text{CuO}_4$  story: macro- and micro-phase separation, twinning, concomitance of SC & AFM.
- CMR manganites: phase separation, ordering effects, electron-phonon interactions and large (and giant) isotope effect

# Phase separation scales

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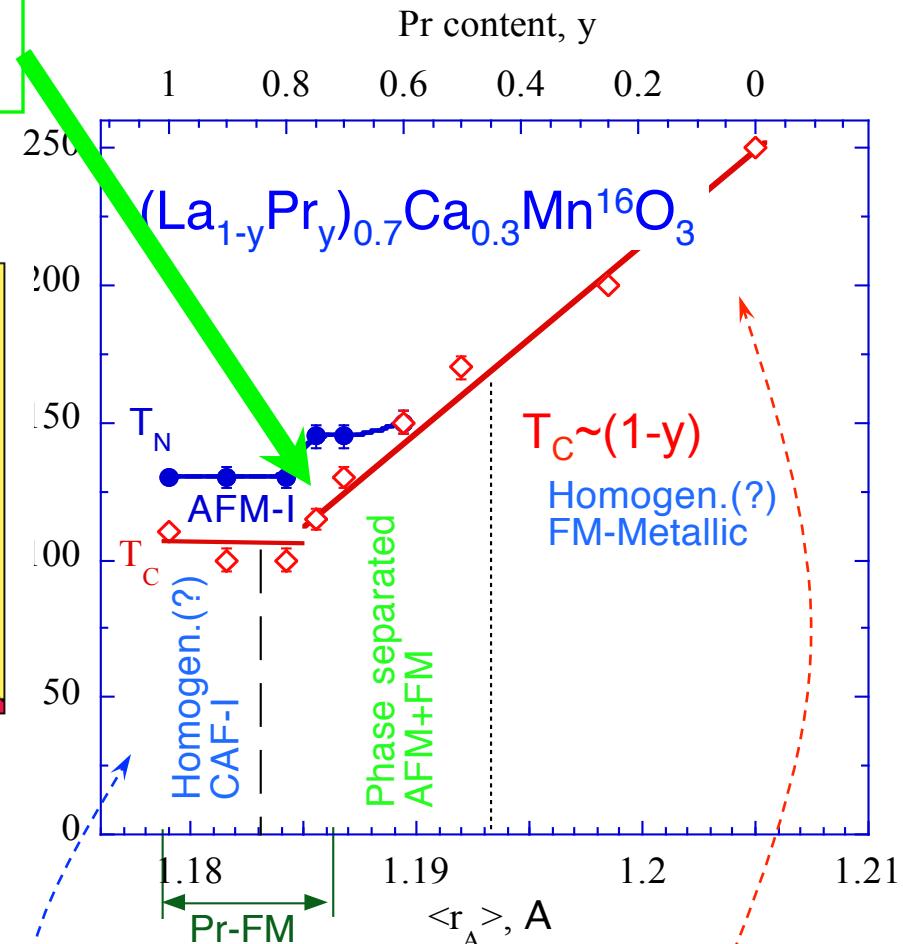
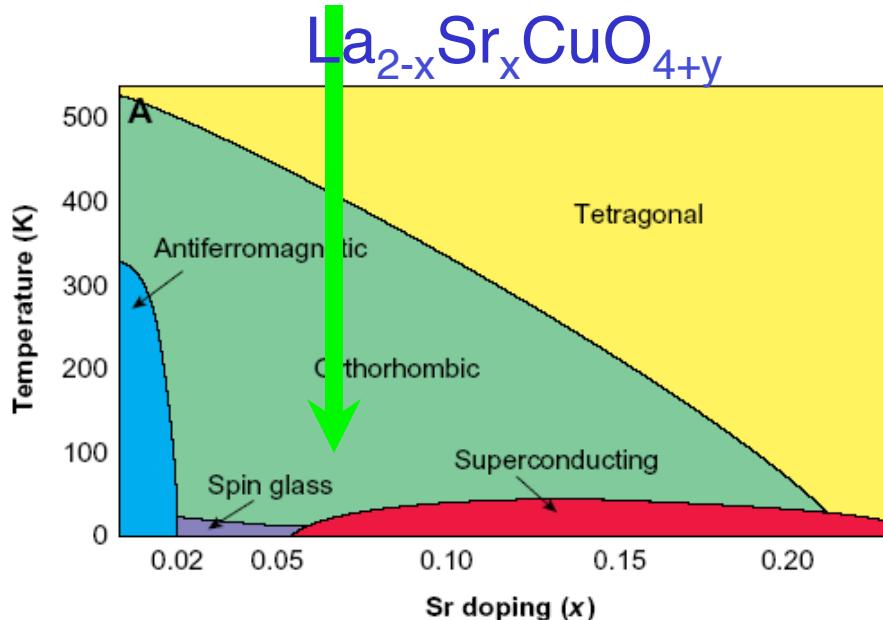
- Micro- or “electronic”  $\sim 10^1 \text{ \AA}$ 
  - HTSC<sup>1</sup>: striped Hubbard, t-J, SO(5), “striped” BCS...
  - CMR: FM Kondo, 1-,2-orbital DE
- Meso- or (nano-, macro)  $\geq 10^3 \text{ \AA}$ 
  - “Chemical” (structural) separation: miscibility gap.
  - Intrinsic quenched (correlated) disorder + Ising, or 1-,2-orbital DE, etc<sup>2</sup>

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e.g. [1] Arrigoni, et al PRB 2004; H-D.Chen, et al 2004; Bianconi, et al PRL 1996.  
[2] Burgi, Moreo, Dagotto et al PRL,PRB 2000-2004.

# Intrinsic inhomogeneities in “HTSC” and “CMR”

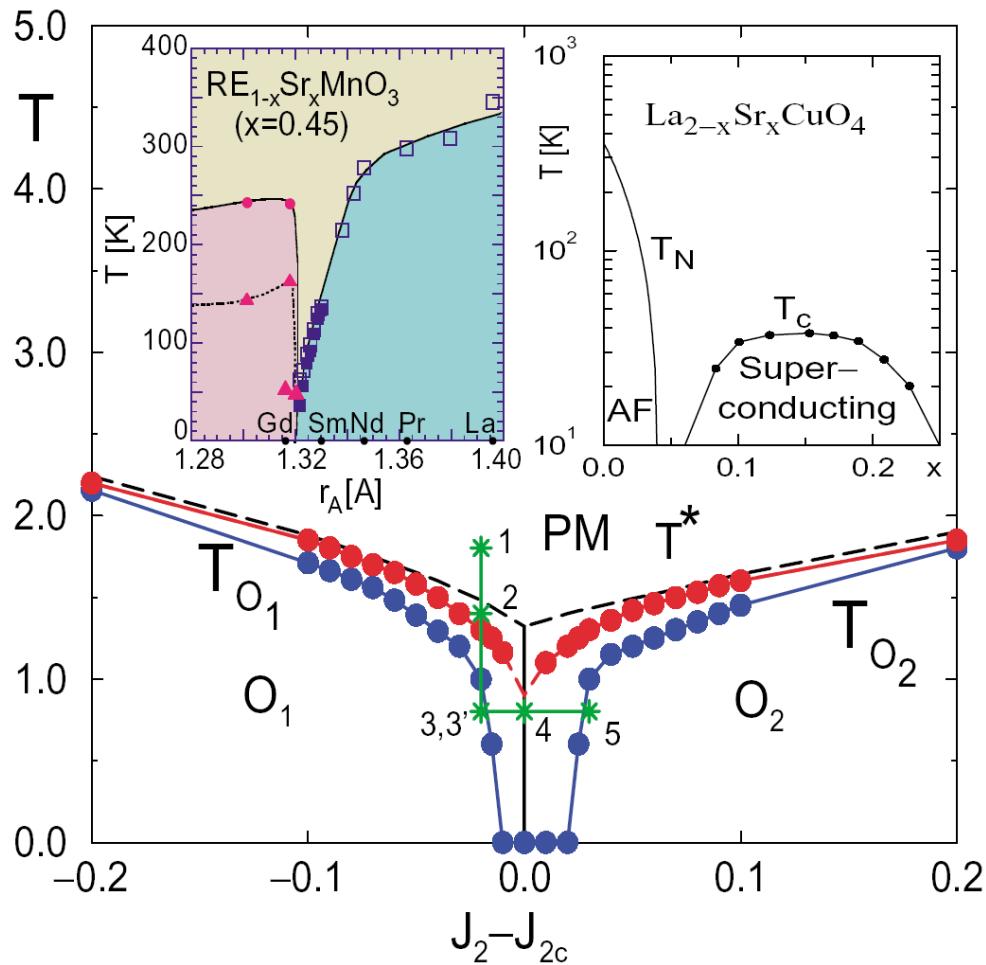
Competition between insulating and metallic states



Y.Imry, S.Ma (PRL 1975): random field instability

# Influence of quenched disorder on the competition between ordered states separated by a first-order transition

J.Burgy, A.Moreo, M. Mayr, E.Dagotto, et al, PRL, PRB 2000-2004

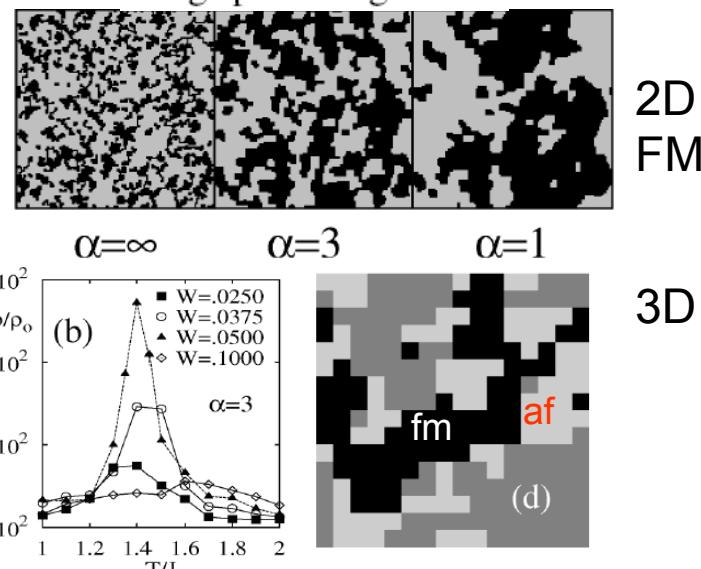


3D RFIM +correlated disorder

$$H = -J \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} s_i s_j + J' \sum_{[ik]} s_i s_k + \Delta \sum_{i,j} h_i s_j / d_{ij}^\alpha,$$

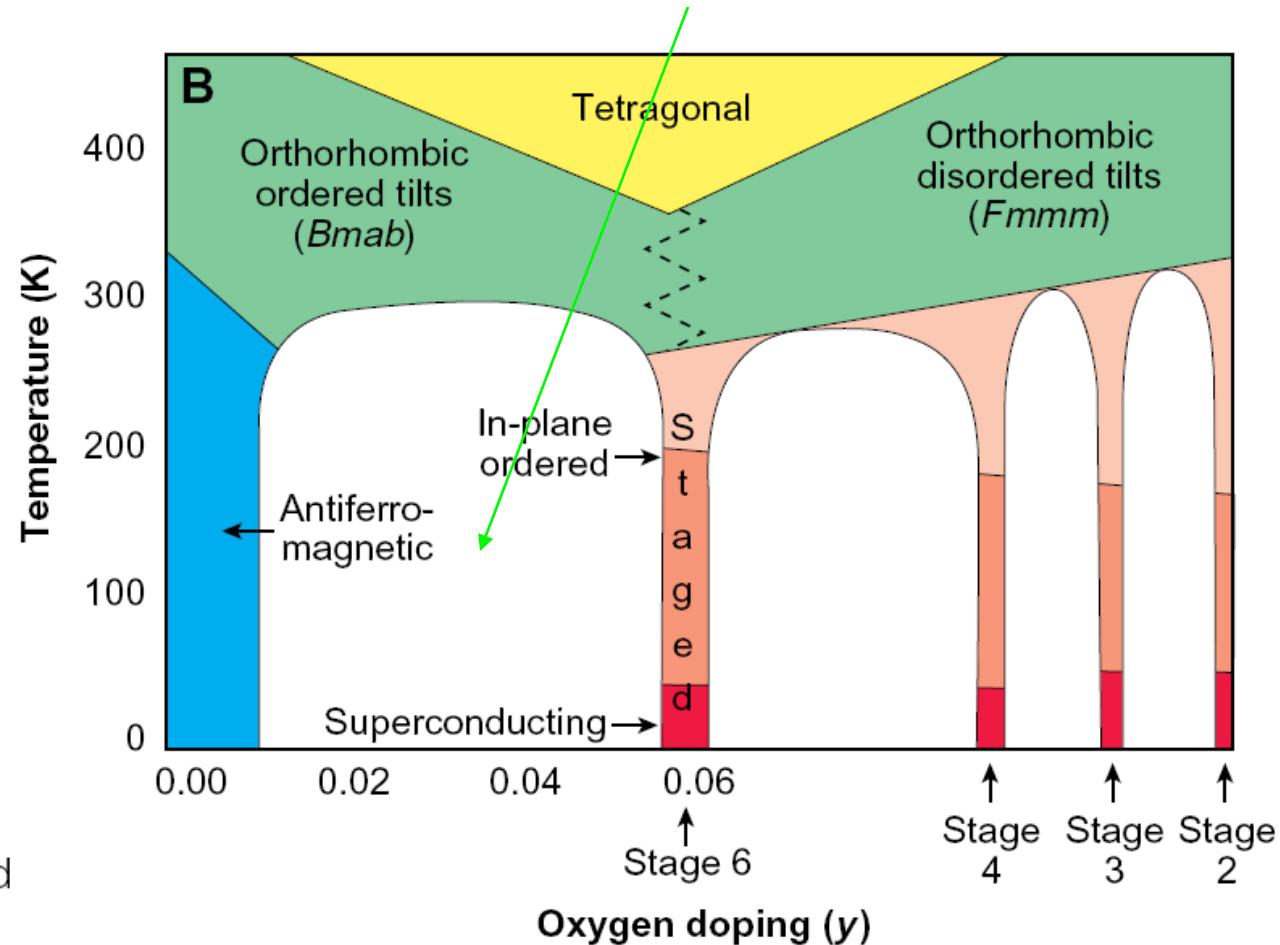
$\alpha \sim 3$  elasticity mechanism of the distortion propagation (Khomskii, Kugel, 2001)

Ising spin configuration

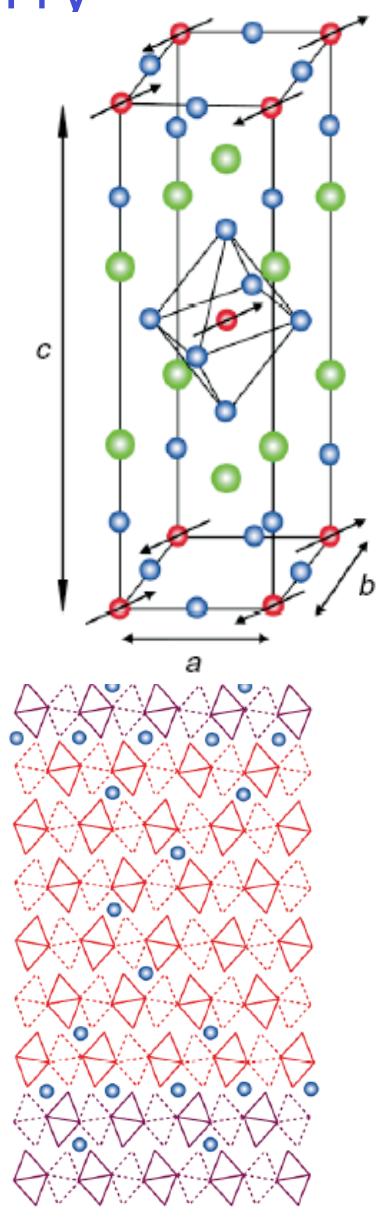


# Phase diagram of $\text{La}_2\text{CuO}_{4+\nu}$

Macroscopically ( $>10^3 \text{\AA}!$ ) separated

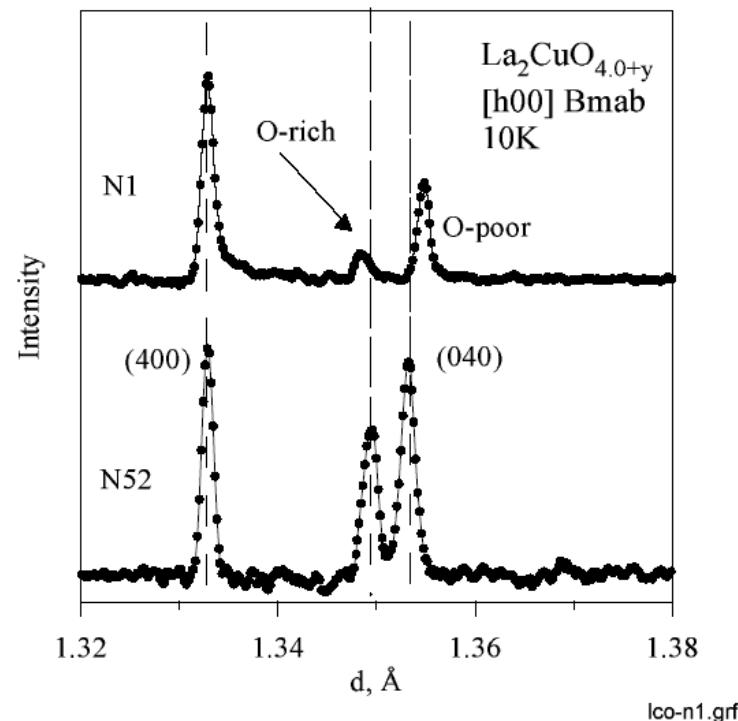
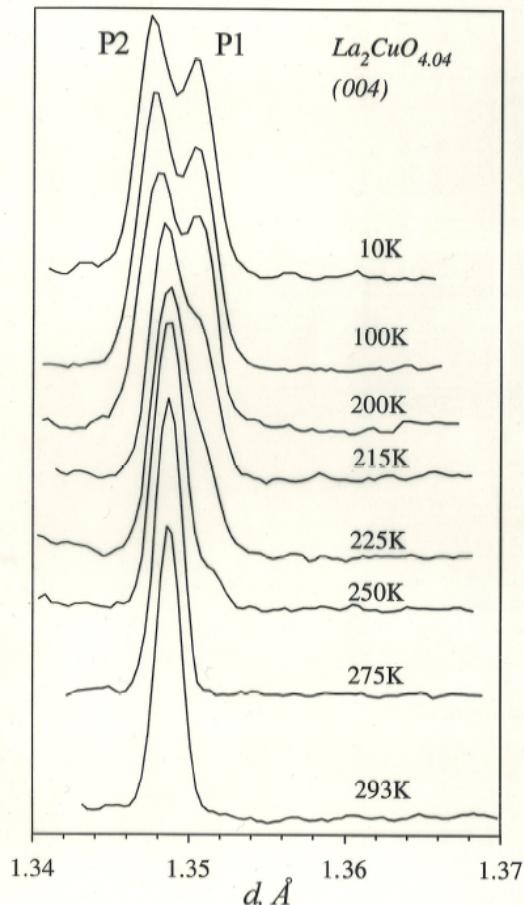


Wells et al, Science 1997



# High res ND evidence of macroscopic PS

Single crystal experiment on powder diffractometer ФДВР

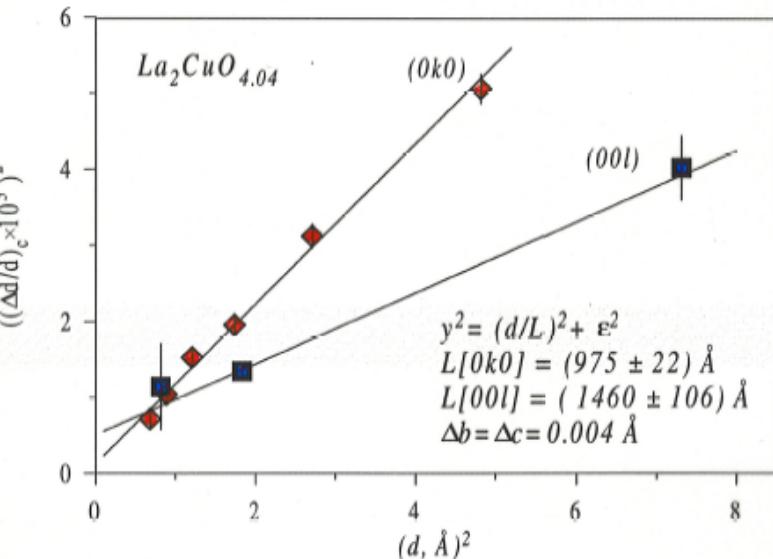
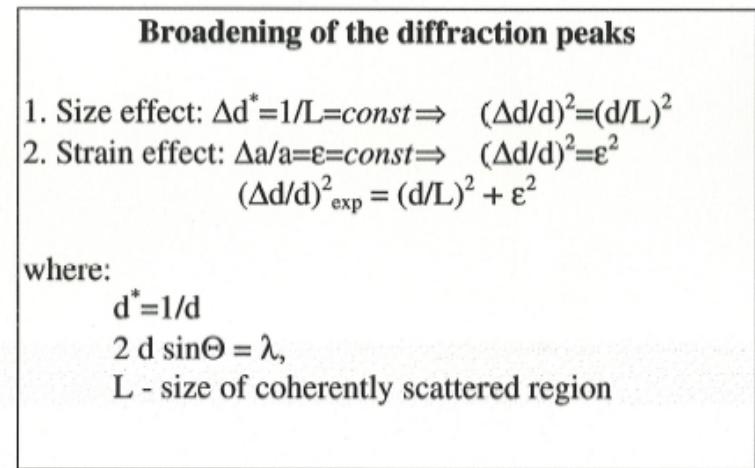
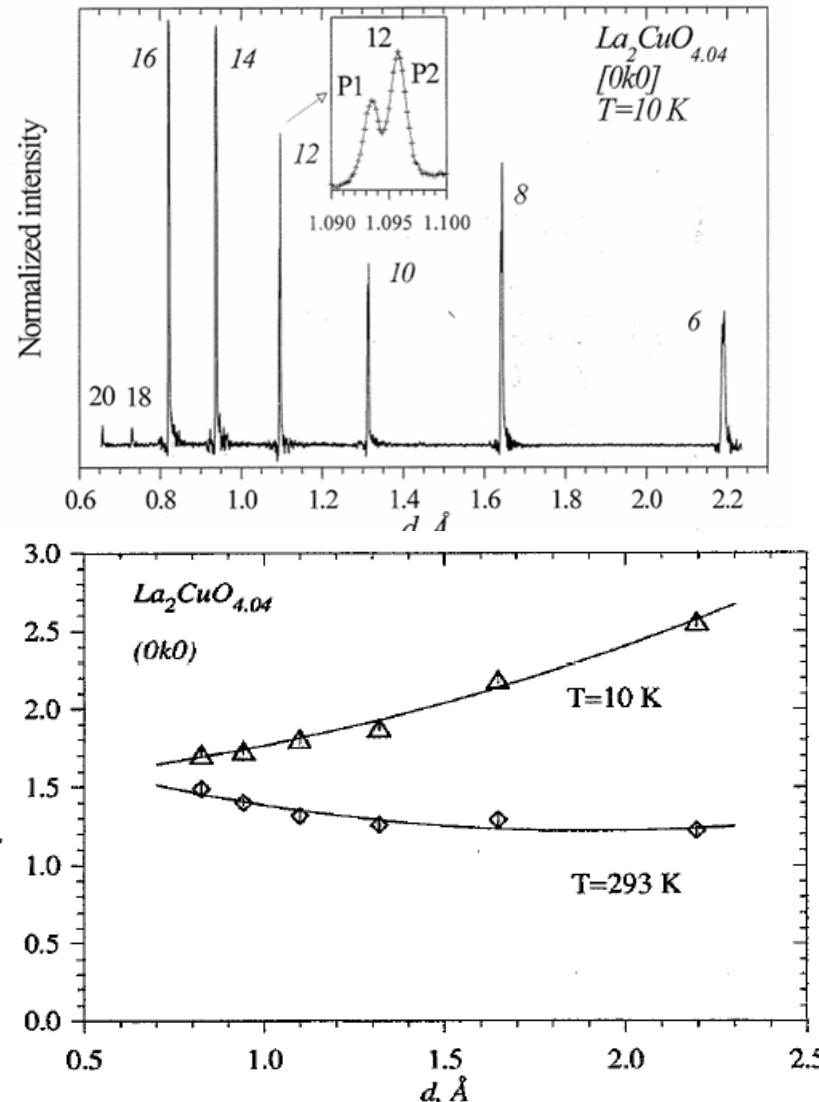


Balagurov et al, Physica C, 1997

# Domain sizes from high-res neutron diffraction in $\text{La}_2\text{CuO}_{4+y}$

Balagurov et al, Physica C, 1997

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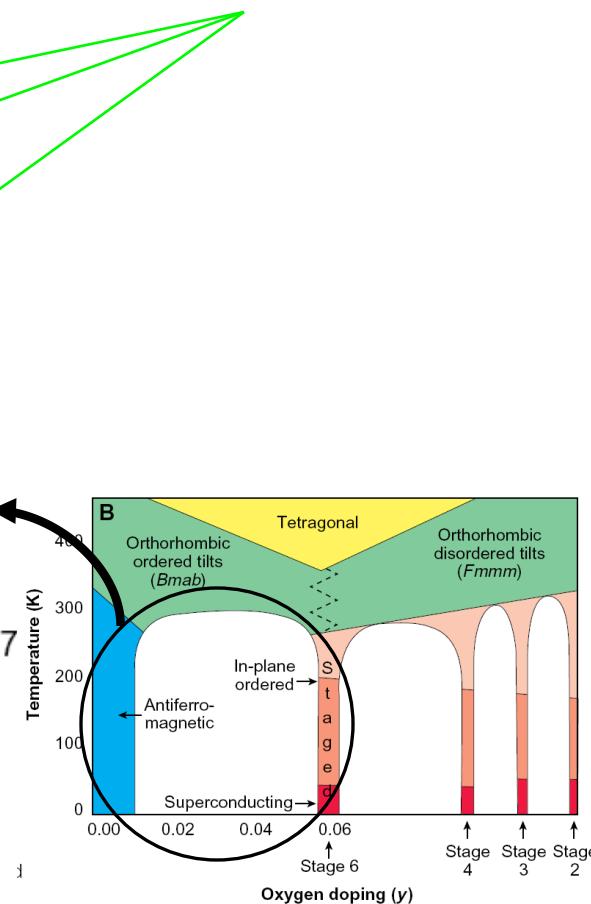
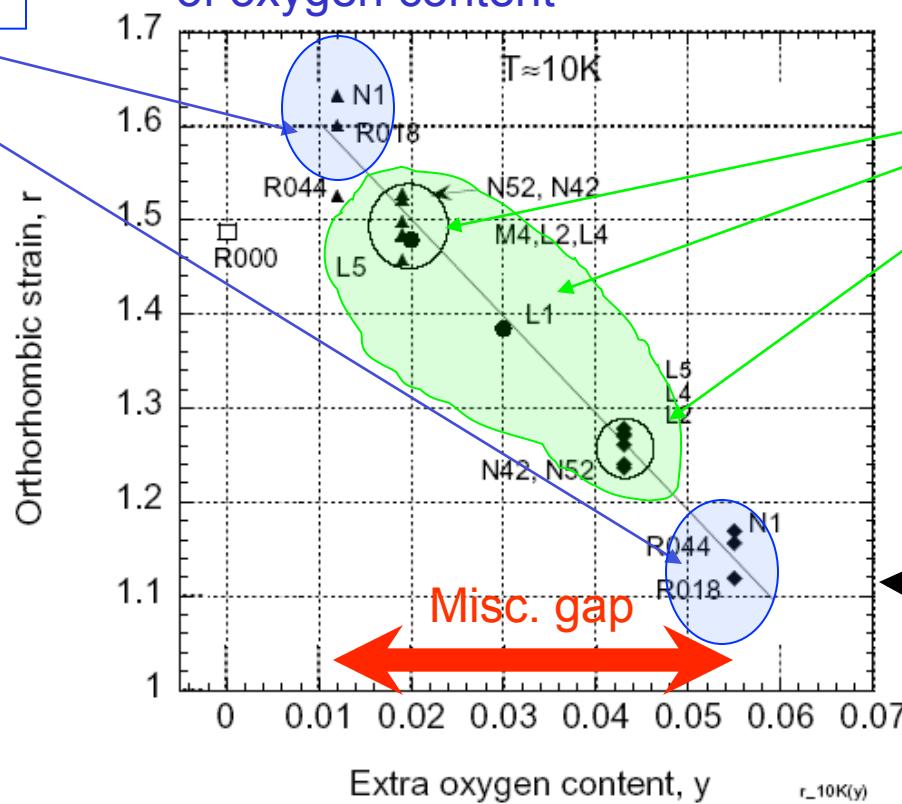


# Low & high oxygen mobility in $\text{La}_2\text{CuO}_{4+y}$

High oxygen mobility crystals

Orthorhombic strain as a function of oxygen content

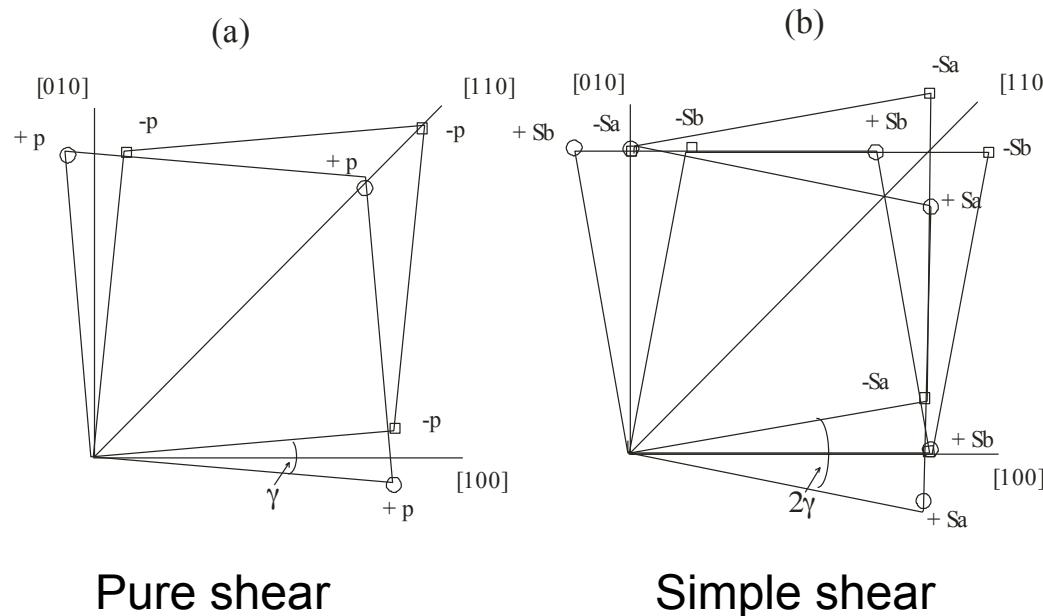
Low oxygen mobility crystals



Balagurov et al, Physica C, 1997, Phys Rev B 1999  
 Pomjakushin et al, Physica C, 2000;  
 Sheptyakov, et al. PHYSICA C 1999

# Can real crystal structure effect on oxygen mobility?

1. Single crystal structure analysis (D9) : no principal difference between PS and non-PS crystals (Sheptyakov, Pomjakushin, Balagurov, et al. PHYSICA C 1999)
2. Real crystal structure (HRFD, DN2, high-res Xray)



$P4/mmm \rightarrow Bmab$

Balagurov AM, et al. [Twinned  \$\text{La}\_2\text{CuO}\_4\$  structure](#)  
CRYSTALLOGRAPHY REPORTS 44 1999

# High res. X-ray and neutron diffraction

Balaurov AM. et al. CRYSTALLOGRAPHY REPORTS (Кристаллография) 1999

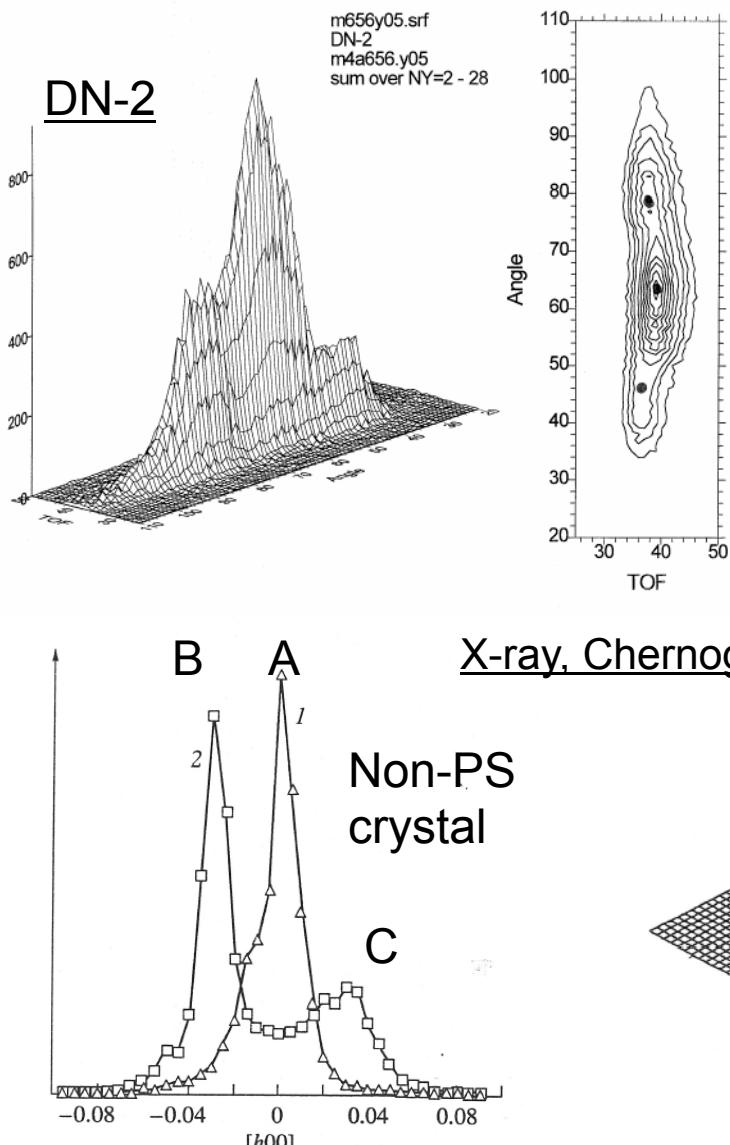


Fig. 7. Sections of two-dimensional intensity distribution

3 transformational twins:

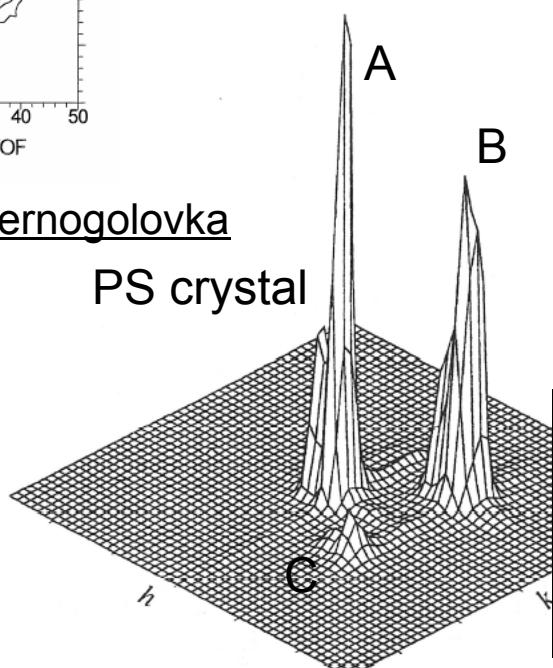
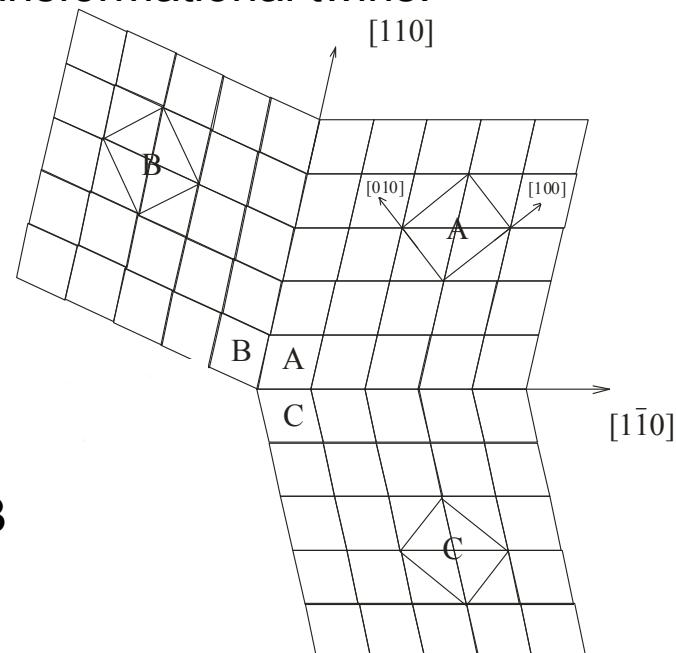
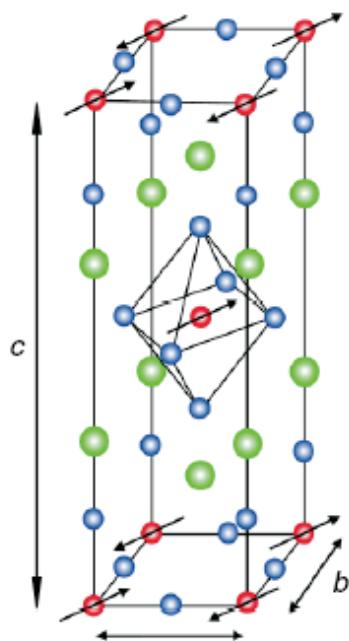
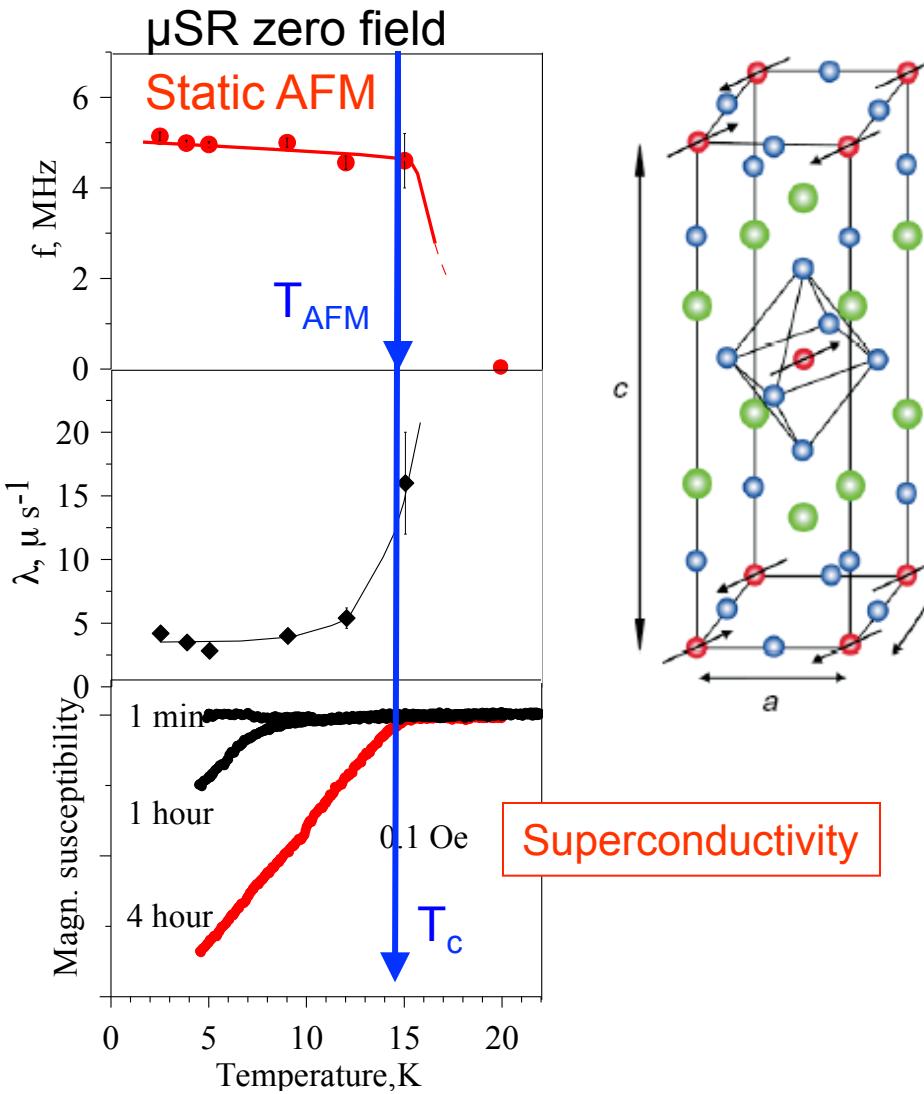
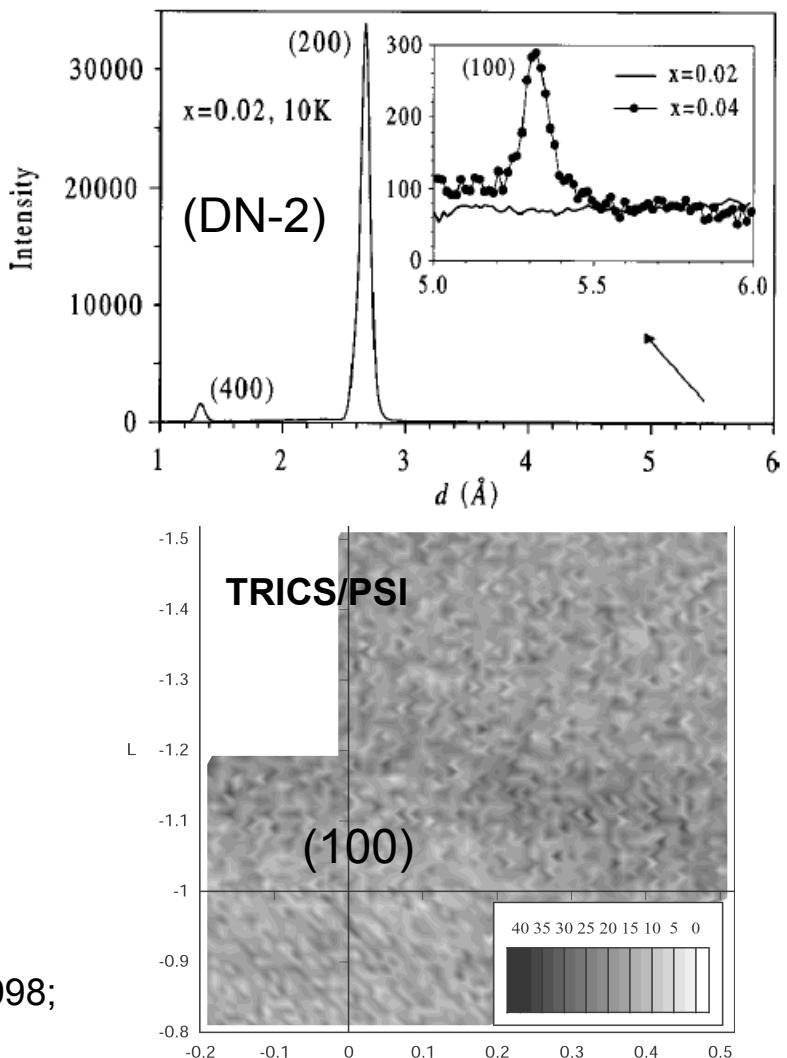


Fig. 8. Two-dimensional intensity distribution in the vicinity of the node (000) in an  $N_1$  crystal. Contours are shown.

# $T_{AFM} = T_c$ in low oxygen mobility $\text{La}_2\text{CuO}_{4+y}$



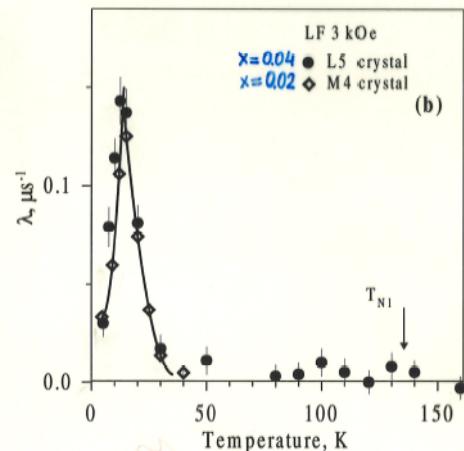
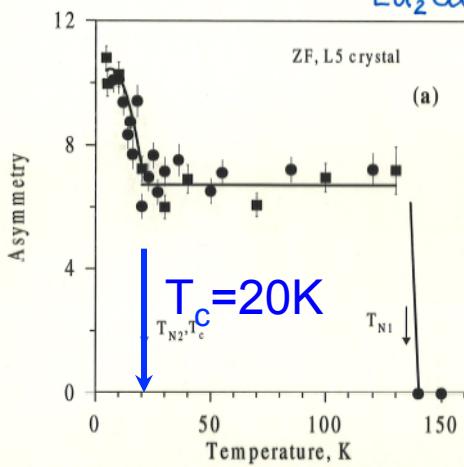
Neutron diffraction :  
No long range AFM below  $T_c$



# Summary of $T_c = T_{AFM}$ in $\text{La}_2\text{CuO}_{4+y}$

AFM ordered fraction

$\text{La}_2\text{CuO}_{4+y}$

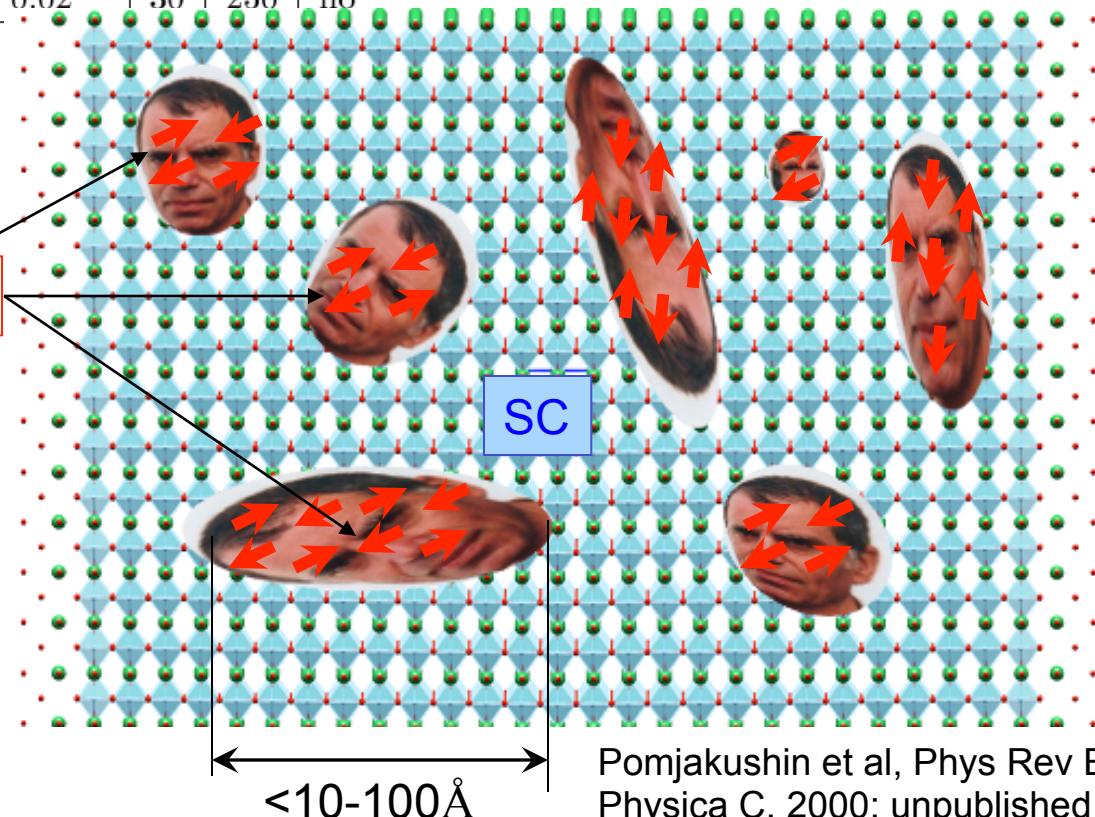


Crystal	$x$	$T_c$	$T_N$	$T_{LTMS}$
m4[3]	0.02	15	-	15 AFM
L1 [5,6]	0.03	10	-	8 spin glass
L2 [3,5]	0.04	25	250	25 AFM
N52	0.033	25	100	$\leq 25$ AFM
L5	$\sim 0.04$	25	140	20 AFM

high oxygen mobility “canonical” crystal

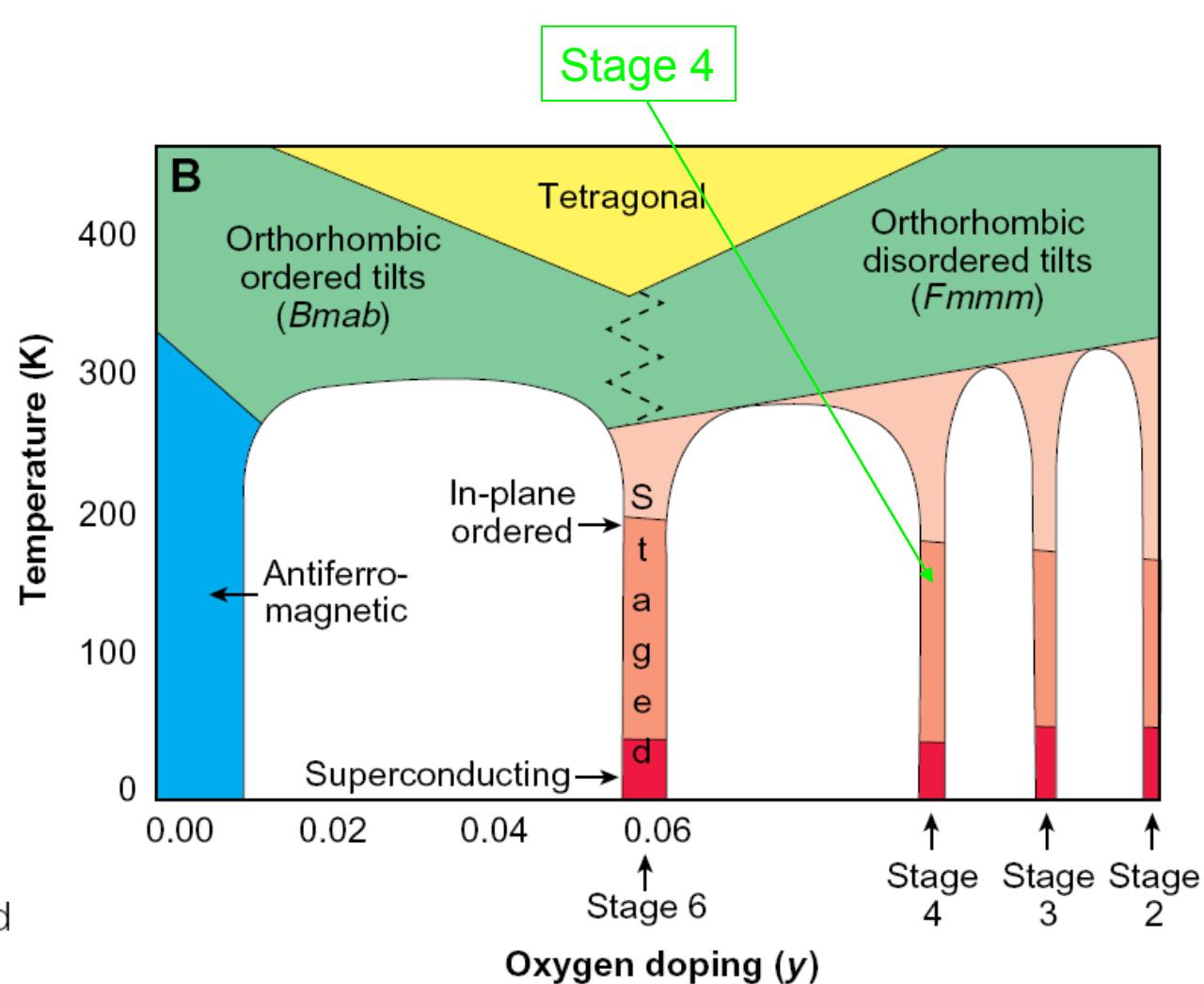
N1 | 0.02 | 30 | 250 | no

5 LOM crystals with different  $y$  and  $T_c=8-25\text{K}$ : **All have  $T_c=T_{AFM}$ !**, No long range AFM by ND

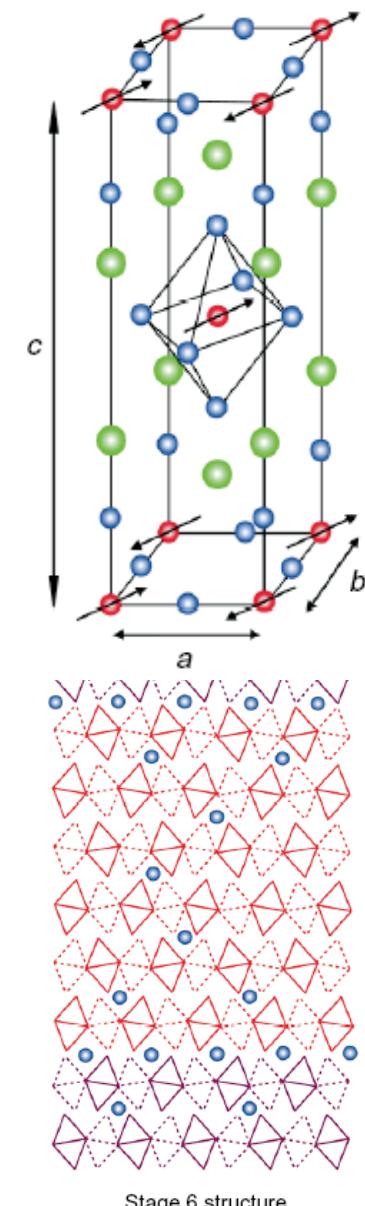


Pomjakushin et al, Phys Rev B1998;  
Physica C, 2000; unpublished 2002.

# Later studies of PS $\text{La}_2\text{CuO}_{4+y}$



Wells et al, Science 1997



# Microscopic phase separation in stage-4 $\text{La}_2\text{CuO}_{4+y}$

PHYSICAL REVIEW B **66**, 014524 (2002)

A. T. SAVICI *et al.*

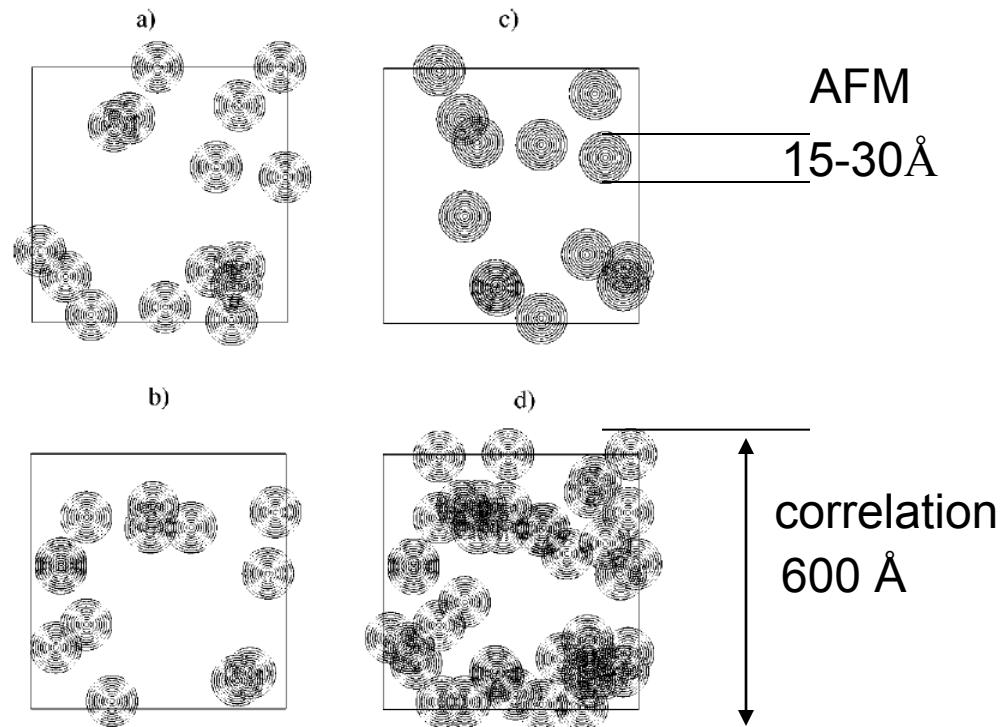
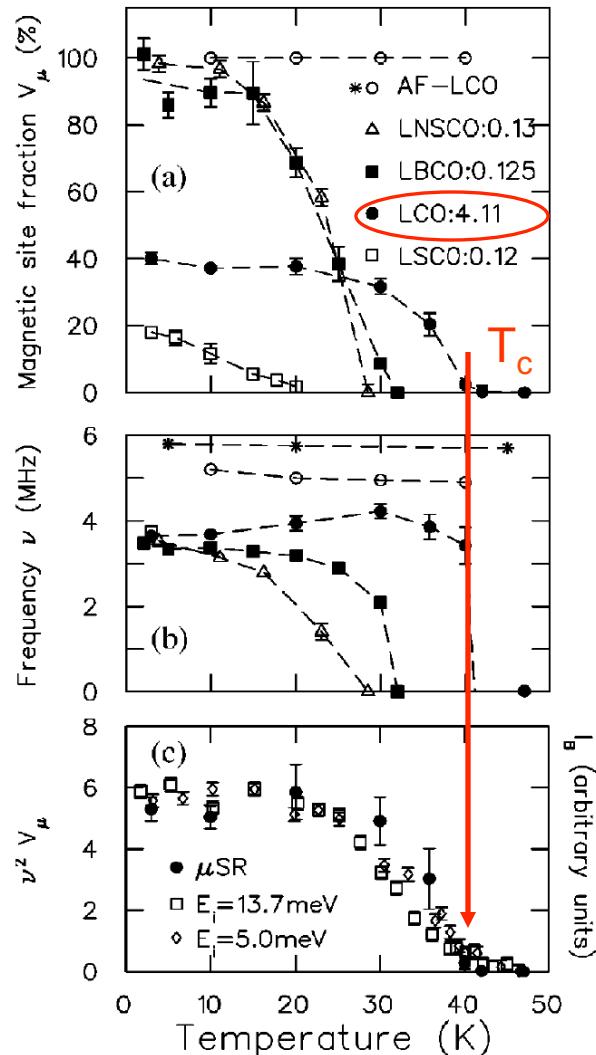
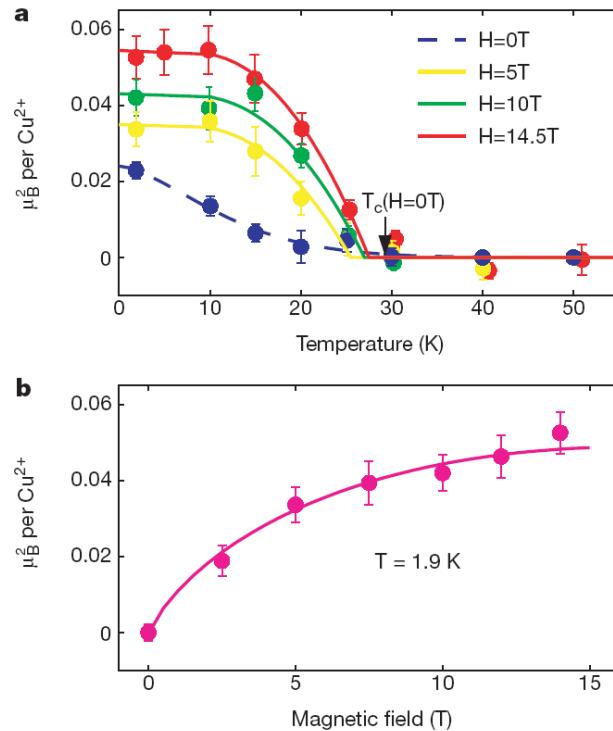
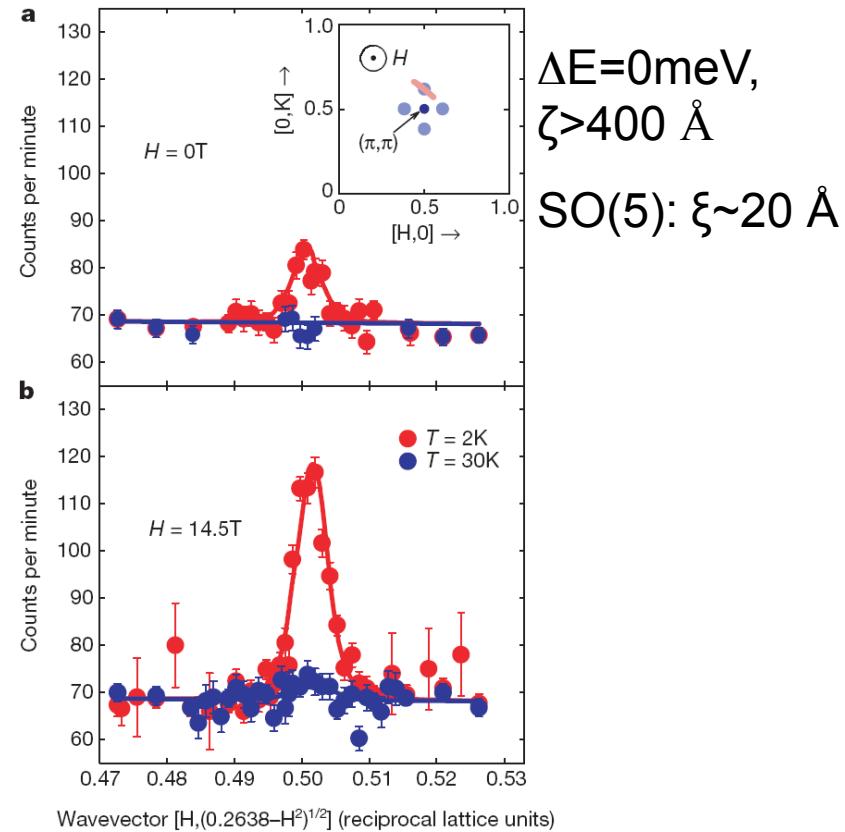


FIG. 10. Illustration of percolating cluster islands. (a)–(c) show planes with random locations of magnetic islands having integrated area fraction of 30%. (d) shows the overlap of (a)–(c). (d) demon-

# Antiferromagnetic order induced by an applied magnetic field in $\text{La}_{2-x}\text{Sr}_x\text{CuO}_{4+y}$



**Figure 3** The dependence on temperature and field of the ordered spin moment squared. The data were calibrated using a transverse acoustic phonon measured around the  $(1,1)$  Bragg peak (energy transfer  $E = 2\text{ meV}$  and sound velocity  $= 26.9\text{ meV\AA}$ ), and are presented in units of  $\mu_B^2$  per  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$ . **a**, The temperature dependence. The zero-field signal (blue circles) increases gradually below  $T_c(H = 0\text{T})$ , and the dashed line is a guide to the



**Figure 2** Magnetic neutron diffraction data for  $\text{La}_{2-x}\text{Sr}_x\text{CuO}_4$  with  $x = 0.10$ . The inset shows the relevant reciprocal space, labelled using the two-dimensional notation appropriate for the superconducting  $\text{CuO}_2$  planes. The black dot at  $(0.5, 0.5)$  represents

B. Lake, et al, NATURE | VOL 415 | 17 JANUARY 2002, “Antiferromagnetic order induced by an applied magnetic field in a high-temperature superconductor”

# Coexistence of static AFM & SC in $\text{La}_{2-x}\text{Sr}_x\text{CuO}_{4+y}$

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- Macro-PS ( $>1000\text{\AA}$ ) related to chemical miscibility gap (e.g. phase separation in oxygen -rich and –poor phases)
- Micro ( $<100\text{\AA}$ ) or meso-PS ( $>400\text{\AA}$ ) into SC and AFM phases in chemically single phase single crystals.
- Fact of  $T_N = T_C$  is present in many cases.
- Theories: SO(5), quenched disorder near I-order phase transition

# CMR<sup>1</sup> manganites

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<sup>1</sup> CMR= Colossal negative MagnetoResistance  $[R(H)-R(0)]/R(0)$

# The present status of “CMR manganites”

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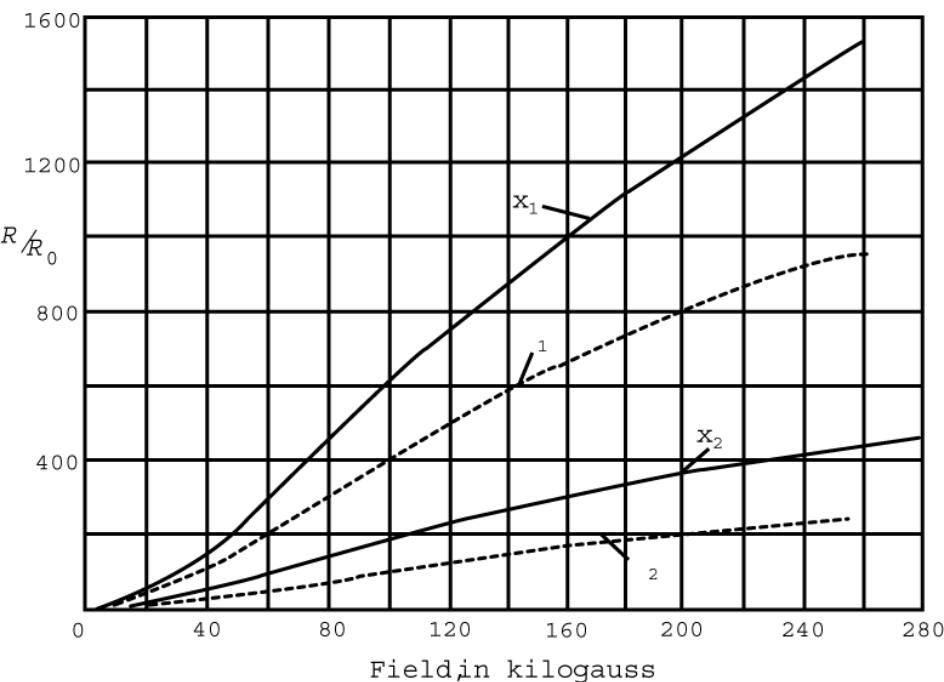
- One of the best studied transition metal oxide system. (another best known example is high- $T_c$  copper oxides)
- Spectacular different kinds of extraordinary phenomena and ordering effects
  - M-I transitions induced by T,P,H,...
  - Charge, Orbital, Magnetic Ordering. Charge/orbital stripes.
  - Electron-lattice interaction. Polaron formation
  - Intrinsic Phase Separation: microscopic ( $10\text{-}100\text{\AA}$ ) electronic and/or macroscopic one ( $>1000\text{\AA}$ )
- Allows one to verify/develop theoretical approaches to strongly correlated electron systems<sup>1</sup>.
  - Based on DE, + el.phonon + orbital d.f. + inter-site V, + elastic.

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<sup>1</sup> Yu.A. Izymov, Yu. N. Skryabin, Phys. Usp., 44, 109 (2001)

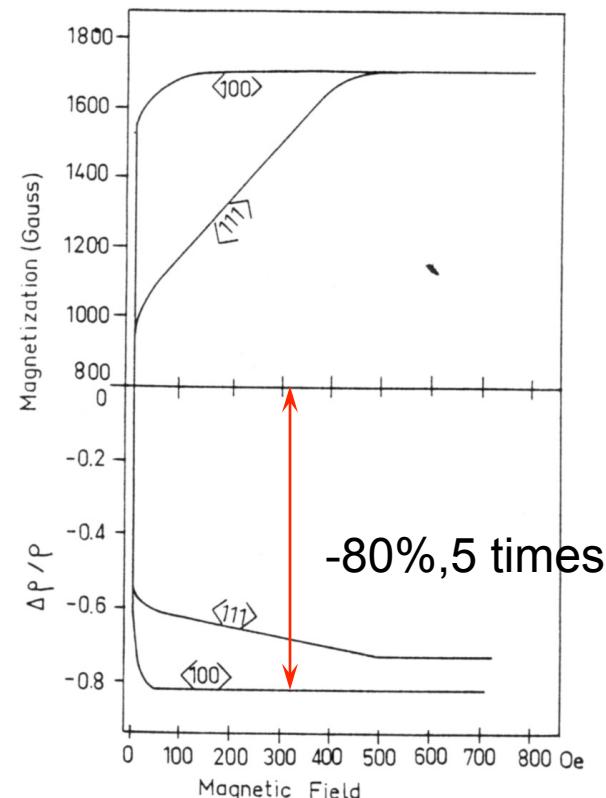
# Magnetoresistance in metals and semimetals

$\Delta R/R(0) > 0$  in **nonmagnetic** metals.  
Orbital, quantum magnetoresistance  
 $\Delta\rho = +\rho_0(eH/mc\tau)^2$ , or  $\sim +N_iH/\pi n_e^2 ec$   
 $\Delta\rho = +\rho_0$  for  $H \gg \Omega$



Bi single crystal. T=77K [Kapiza P.L. 1928]

$\Delta R/R(0) < 0$  in **ferromagnetic** metals.  
Spin-disorder scattering  
 $\Delta\rho = -\rho_J \sim J^2 S(S+1)$



Iron whiskers T=4.2K [Taylor et al. 1968]

# Transition metal 3d perovskite-like oxides AMO<sub>3</sub>

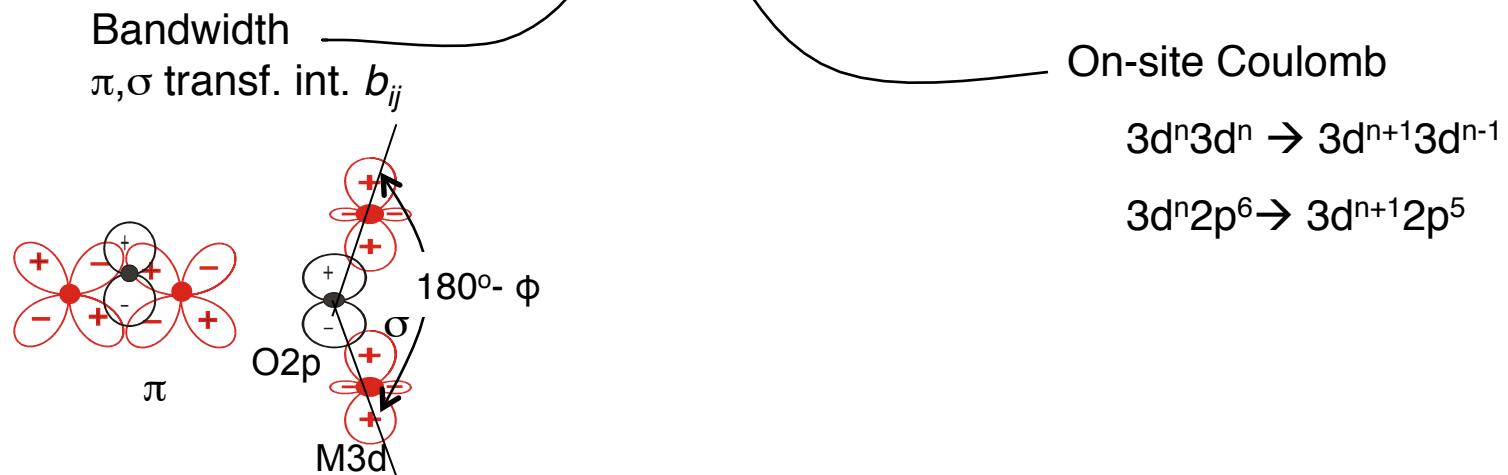
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	3d <sup>1</sup> 4s <sup>2</sup>	3d <sup>0/1</sup>	3d <sup>1/2</sup>	3d <sup>2/3</sup>	3d <sup>3/4</sup>	3d <sup>4/5</sup>	3d <sup>5/6</sup>	3d <sup>7</sup>	3d <sup>8</sup>	3d <sup>10</sup> 4s <sup>2</sup>

A=Sr,Ba,Y,La,Pr,...

$$H = - \sum b_{ij} c_{i\sigma}^+ c_{j\sigma} + U \sum n_j n_j$$

$W < U_{\text{eff}}$  : Mott insulator

$W > U_{\text{eff}}$  : metal



## Giant Negative Magnetoresistance in Perovskitelike $\text{La}_{2/3}\text{Ba}_{1/3}\text{MnO}_x$ Ferromagnetic Films

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At room temperature a large magnetoresistance,  $\Delta R/R(H=0)$ , of 60% has been observed in the magnetic films of perovskitelike La-Ba-Mn-O. The films were grown epitaxially on  $\text{SrTiO}_3$  substrates by off-axis laser deposition. In the as-deposited state, the Curie temperature and the saturation magnetization were considerably lower compared to bulk samples, but were increased by a subsequent heat treatment. The samples show a drop in the resistivity at the magnetic transition, and the existence of mag-

### Large bandwidth manganites

Double exchange ( $\text{Mn}^{3+}$ -O- $\text{Mn}^{4+}$ ) metal:  $\text{La}_{2/3}\text{Sr}_{1/3}\text{MnO}_3$

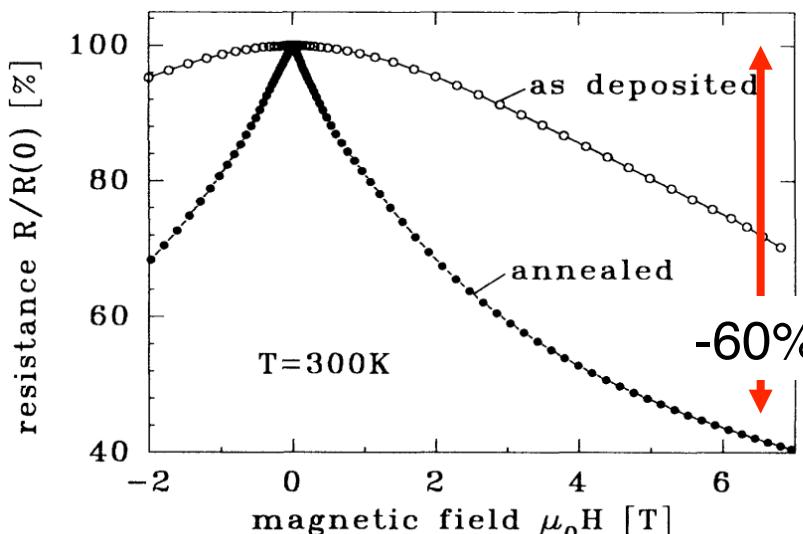
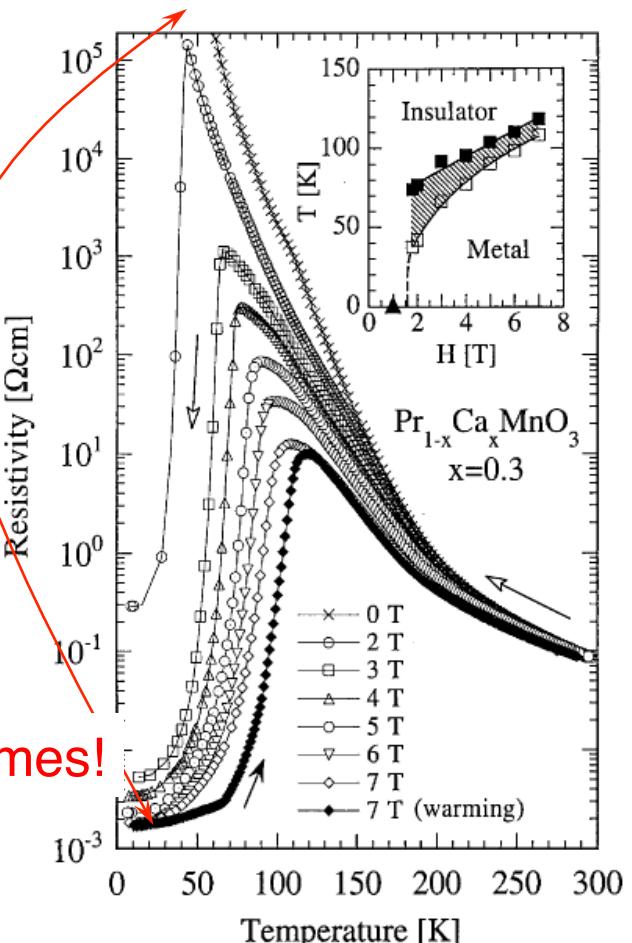


FIG. 3. Resistivity versus field curves for the as-deposited sample ( $T_s = 600^\circ\text{C}$ ) and after annealing at  $T_A = 900^\circ\text{C}$  for 12 h, measured at  $T = 300$  K.

## Small-bandwidth manganites $(\text{PrCa})\text{MnO}_3$

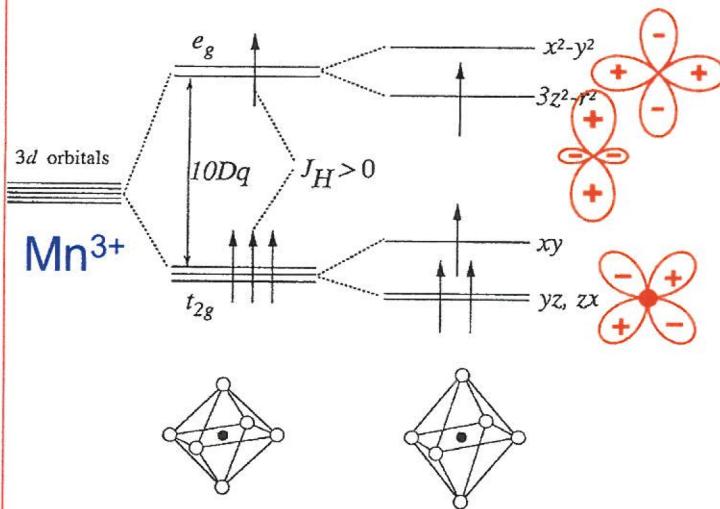


From Tomioka, Tokura 1999

# Essential interactions in manganites/cobaltites

## Intraatomic interactions

$$J_H \sim 2 \text{ eV}, 10Dq \sim 1-2 \text{ eV}, U_{\text{eff}} \sim 3-5 \text{ eV}$$



## Electron-lattice interactions

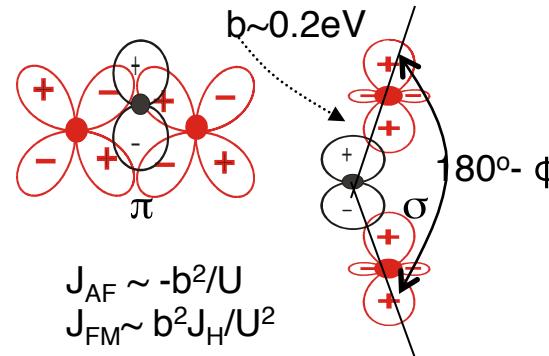
J/T split of  $e_g$  provides strong el.-lattice coupling

$$t^* = t \exp(-\frac{\gamma E_{JT}}{\hbar \omega})$$

*Orbital ordering, effective spin-orbit*

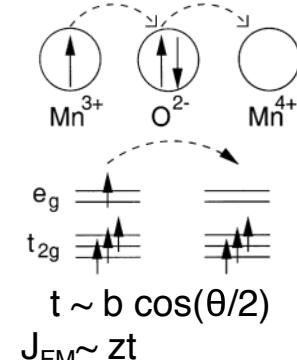
## Interatomic interactions

### 1. Superexchange



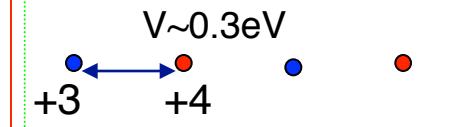
*AF, F ordering*

### 2. Double exchange



*FM ordering  
real charge transfer*

### 3. Intersite Coulomb V

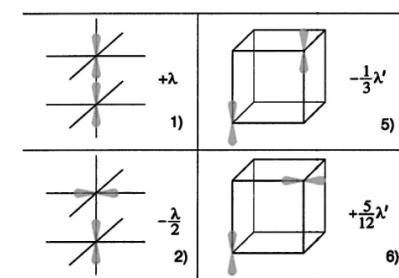


$$H = +V \sum_{ij} n_i n_j - t \sum_{ij} c_i^+ c_j^-$$

*charge ordering*

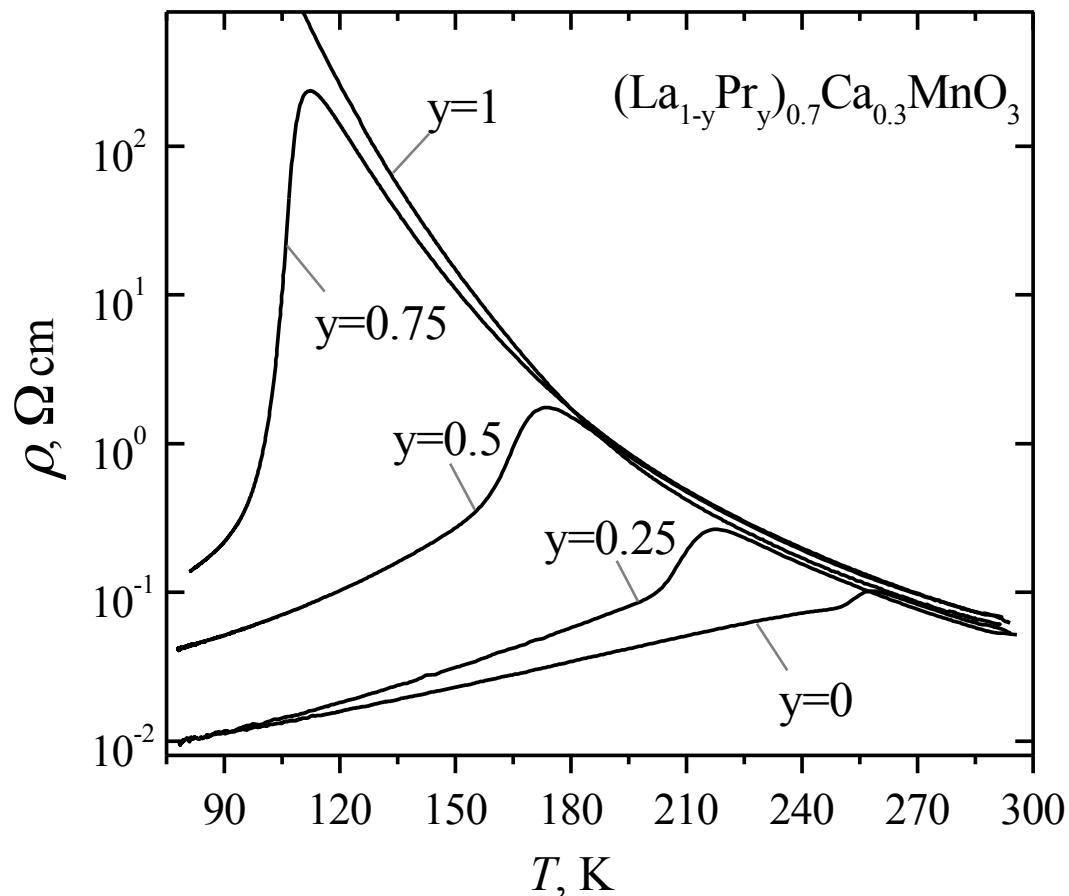
### 4. Elastic interactions

- Long range strain  $\sim 1/R^3$
- Short range optical phonons



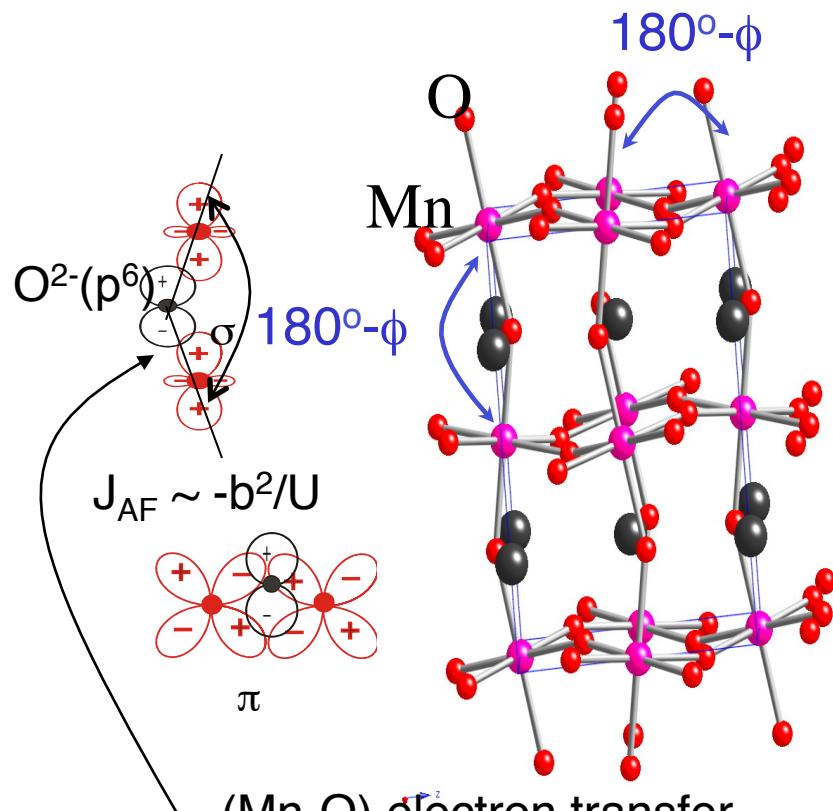
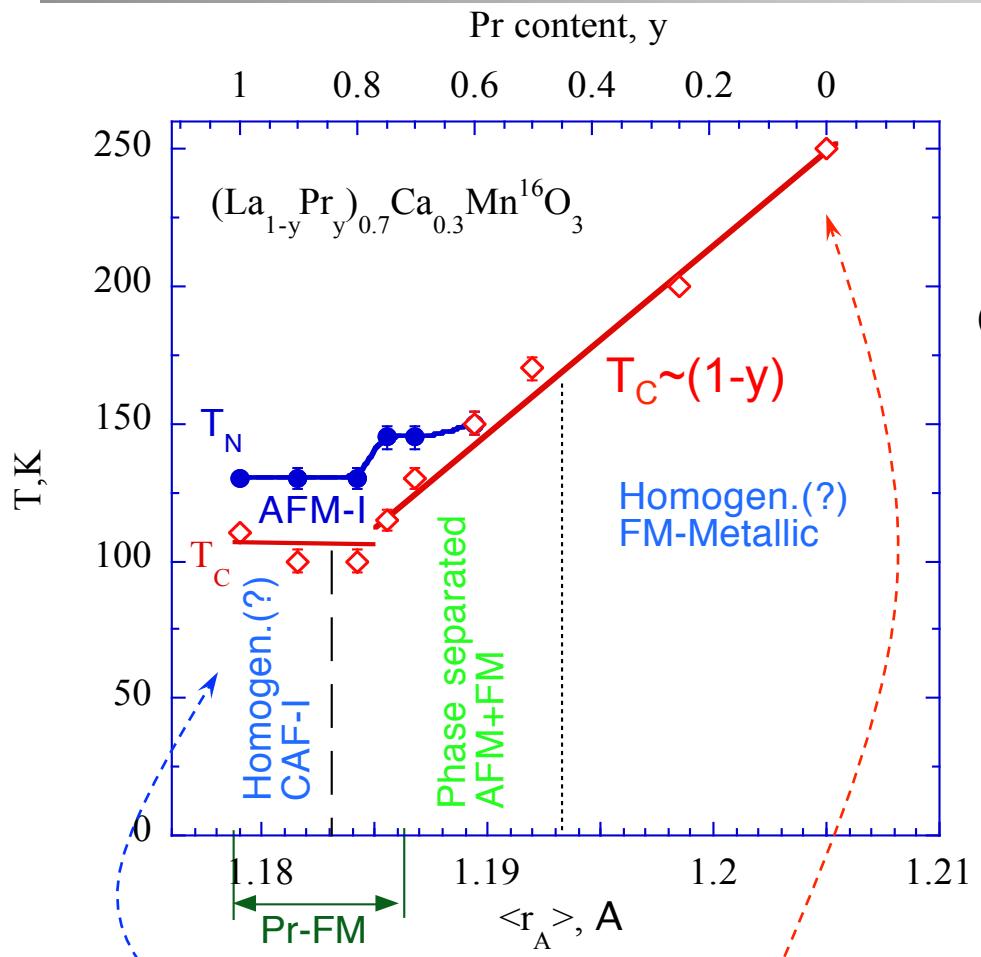
*orbital ordering*

# M-I transition in $(La_{1-y}Pr_y)_{0.7}Ca_{0.3}MnO_3$



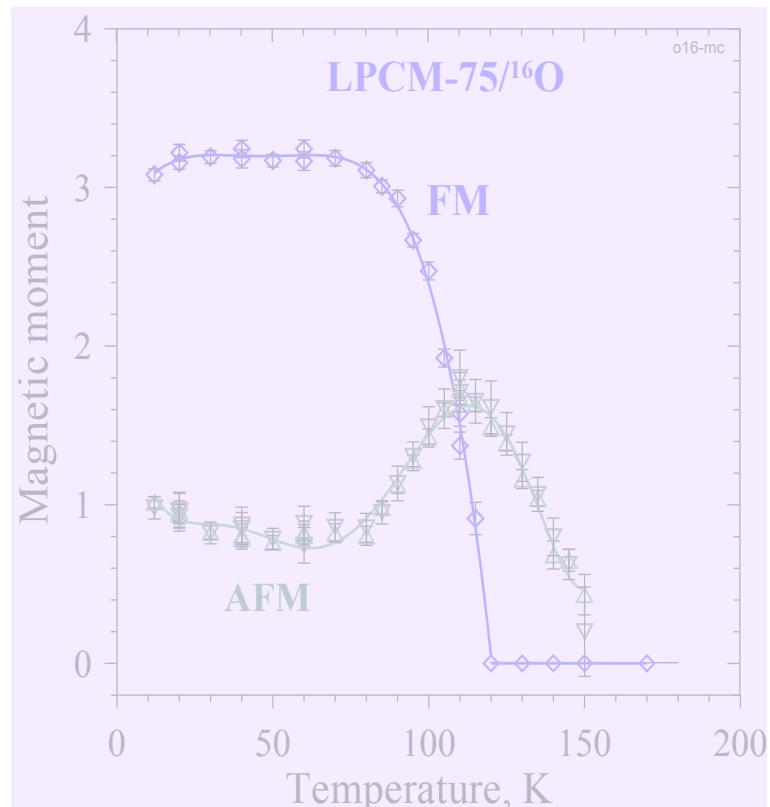
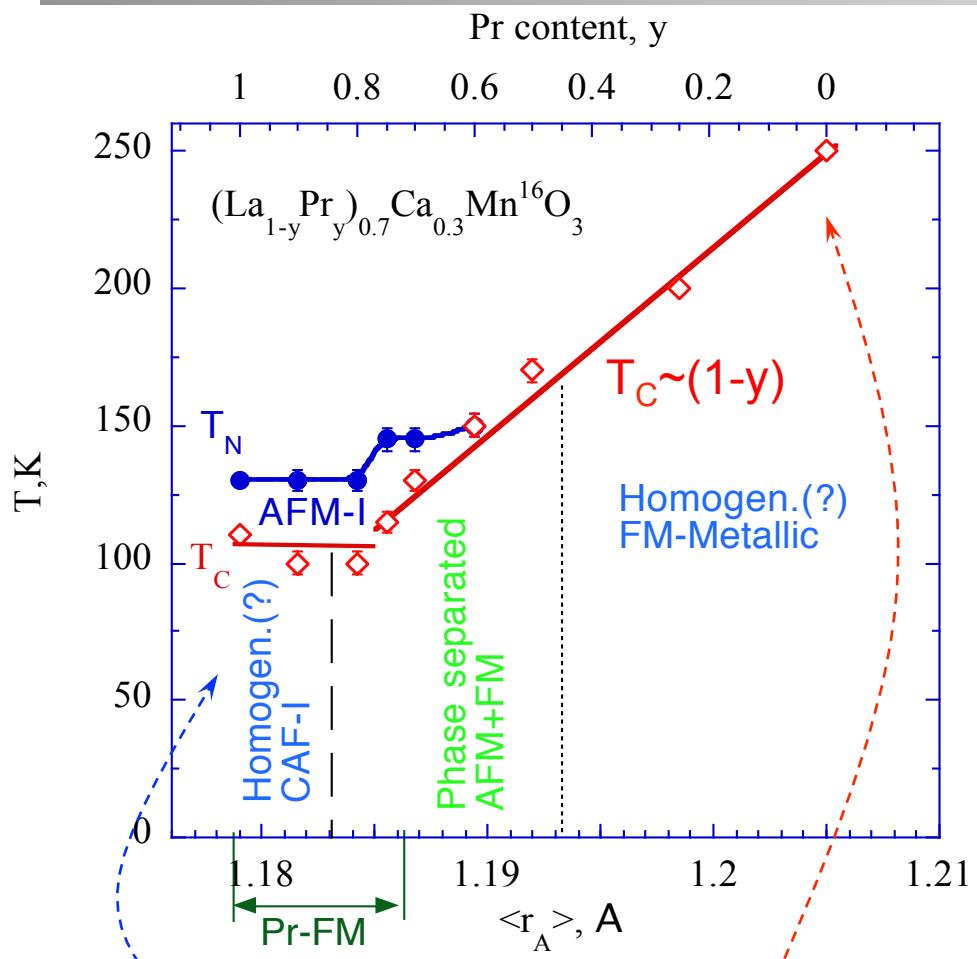
Babushkina et al, 2000

# $(La_{1-y}Pr_y)_{0.7}Ca_{0.3}Mn^{16}O_3$ phase diagram

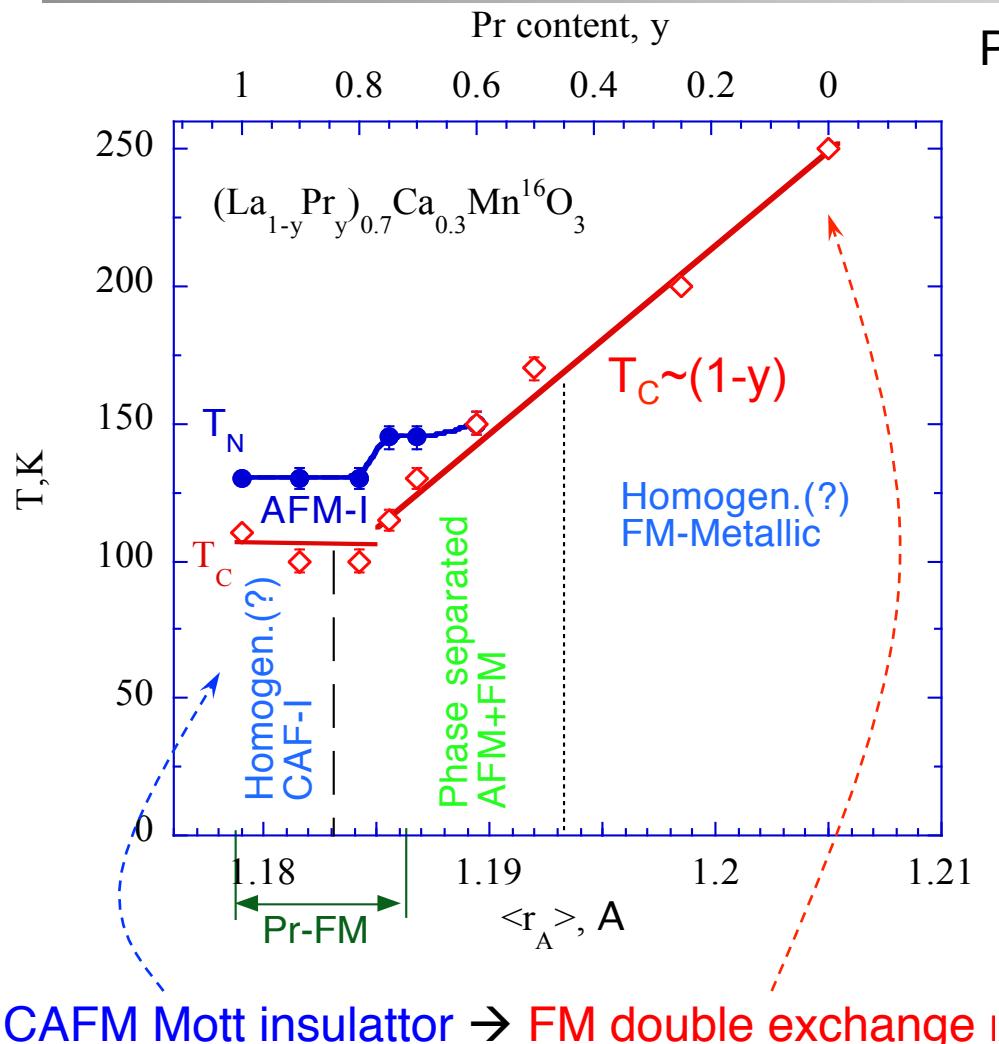


$b_\sigma \sim \cos(\phi) \sim \langle r_A \rangle \sim (1-y)$   
is increased with  $y$  resulting in the insulator-metal transition

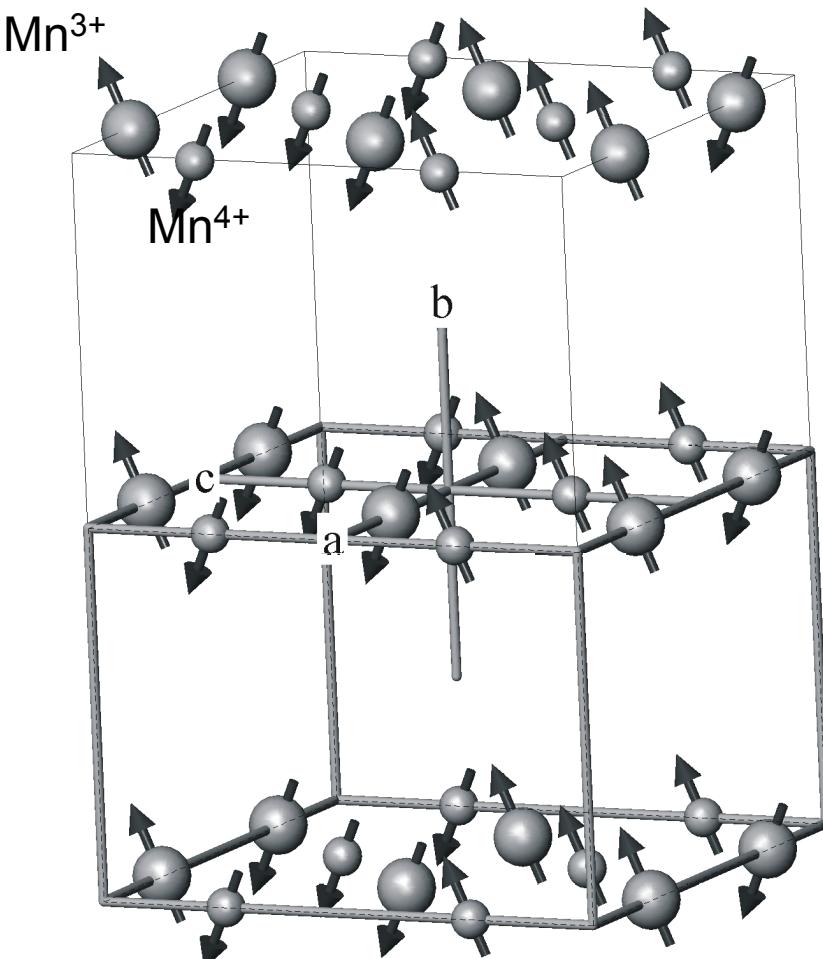
# $(La_{1-y}Pr_y)_{0.7}Ca_{0.3}Mn^{16}O_3$ phase diagram



# $(La_{1-y}Pr_y)_{0.7}Ca_{0.3}Mn^{16}O_3$ magnetic structure



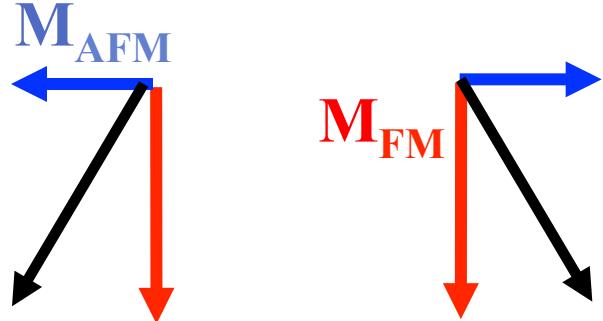
Pseudo CE=PCE: [  $\frac{1}{2} 0 0$  ] and [  $\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} 0$  ]



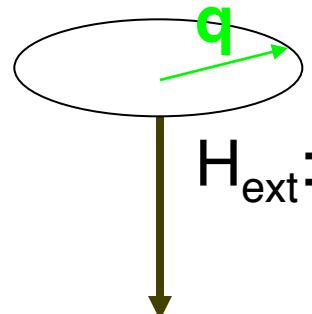
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# Diffraction in external magnetic field $\mathbf{H}_{\text{ext}} \perp \mathbf{Q}$

Homogeneous

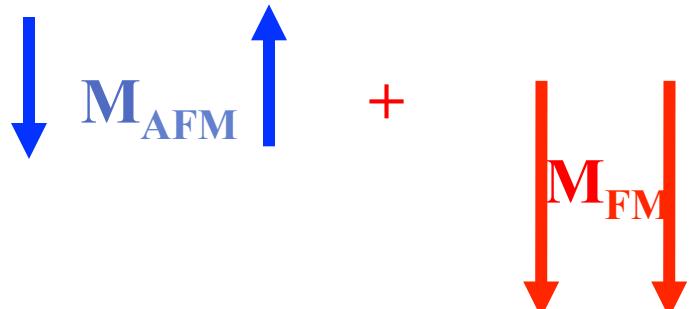


$$I_{\text{Bragg}} \sim M^2(1-(qm)^2)$$
$$m=M/M, q=Q/Q$$



$I_{\text{AFM}}$  is decreased  
 $I_{\text{FM}}$  is increased

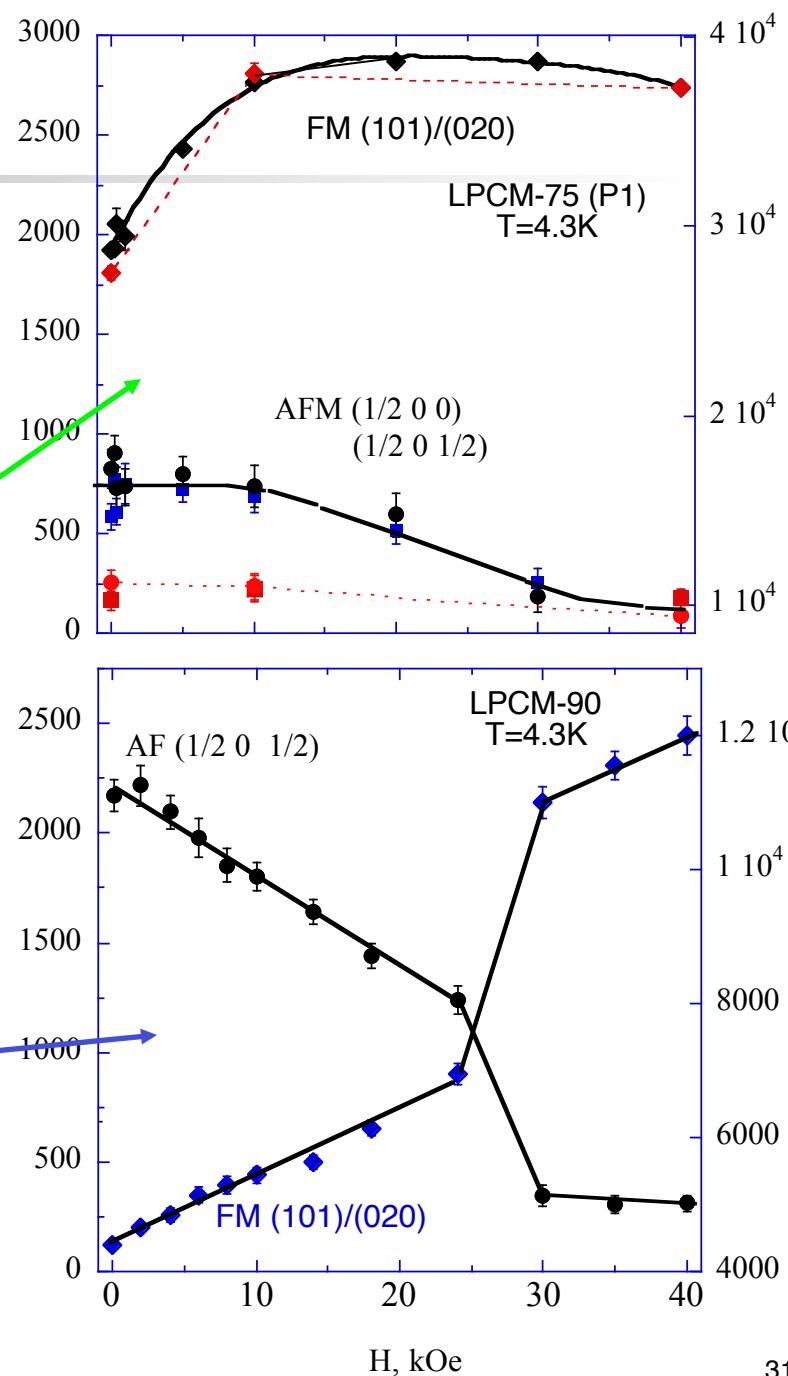
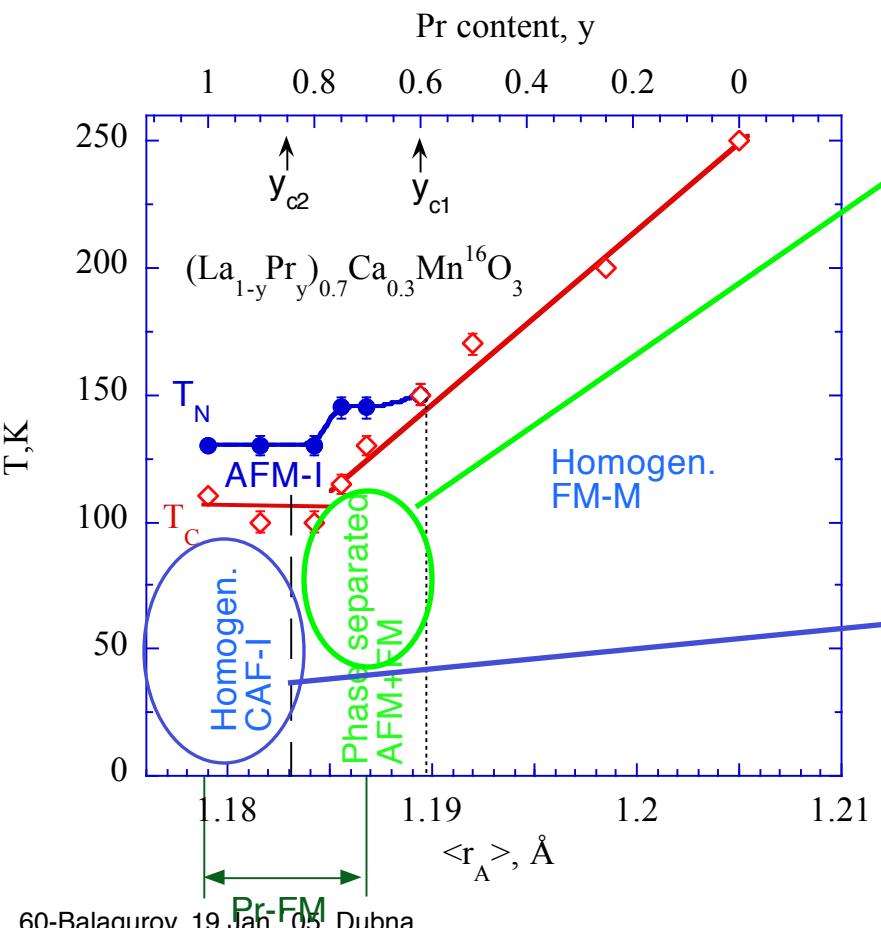
Spatially separated



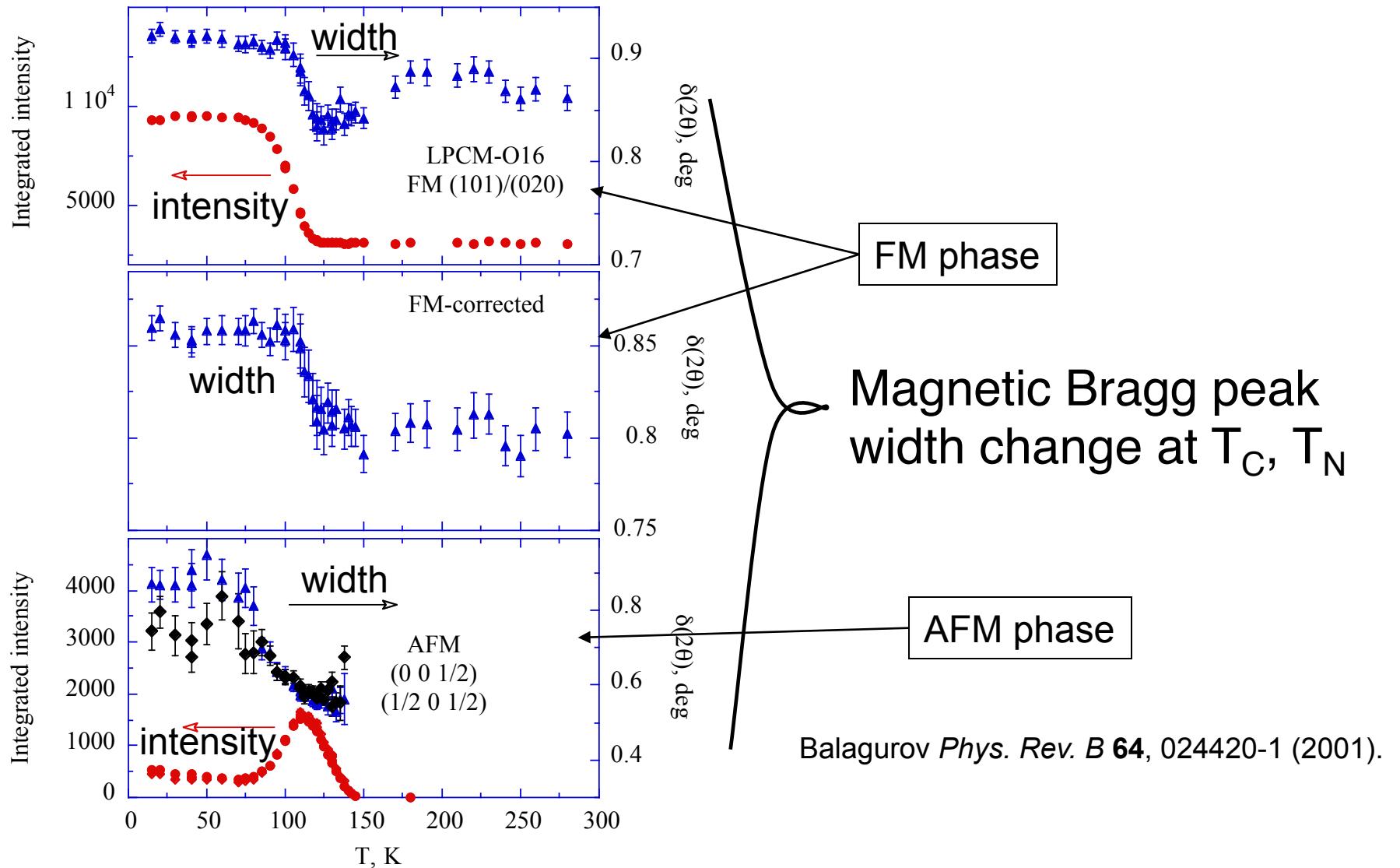
$I_{\text{AFM}} \sim \text{const } (H < H_c)$   
 $I_{\text{FM}}$  is increased

# $(La_{1-y}Pr_y)_{0.7}Ca_{0.3}MnO_3$ : Bragg peak intensities as a function of $H_{ext}$

Balagurov *Phys. Rev. B* **64**, 024420-1 (2001).



# Size effect: What are the domain sizes?



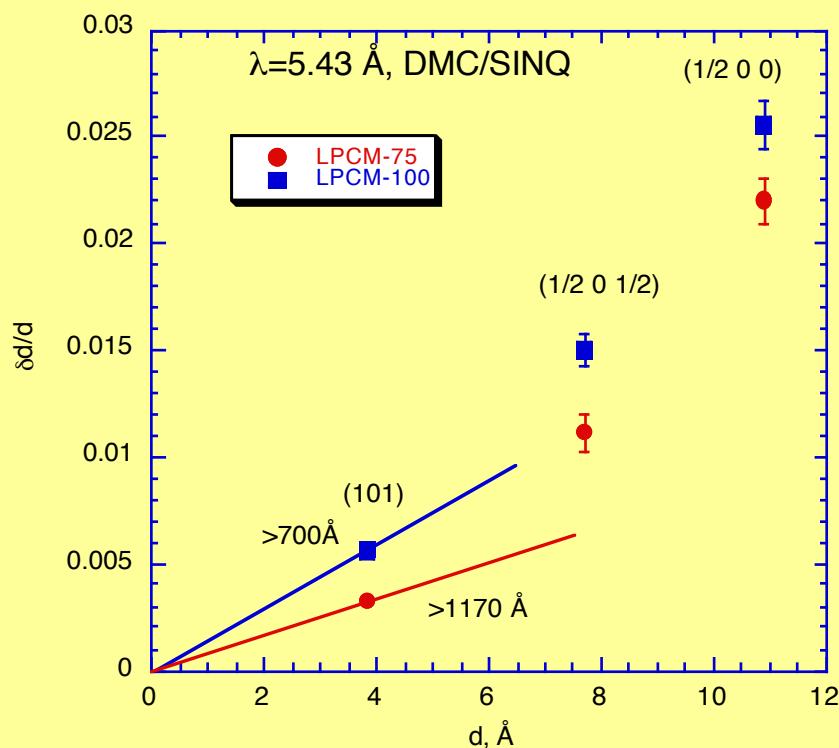
# Size effect

1. Size effect:  $\Delta d^* = 1/L = const \Rightarrow (\Delta d/d)^2 = (d/L)^2$
2. Strain effect:  $\Delta d/d = \epsilon = const \Rightarrow (\Delta d/d)^2 = \epsilon^2$

**Total:**  $(\Delta d/d)_{\text{exp}}^2 = (d/L)^2 + \epsilon^2$

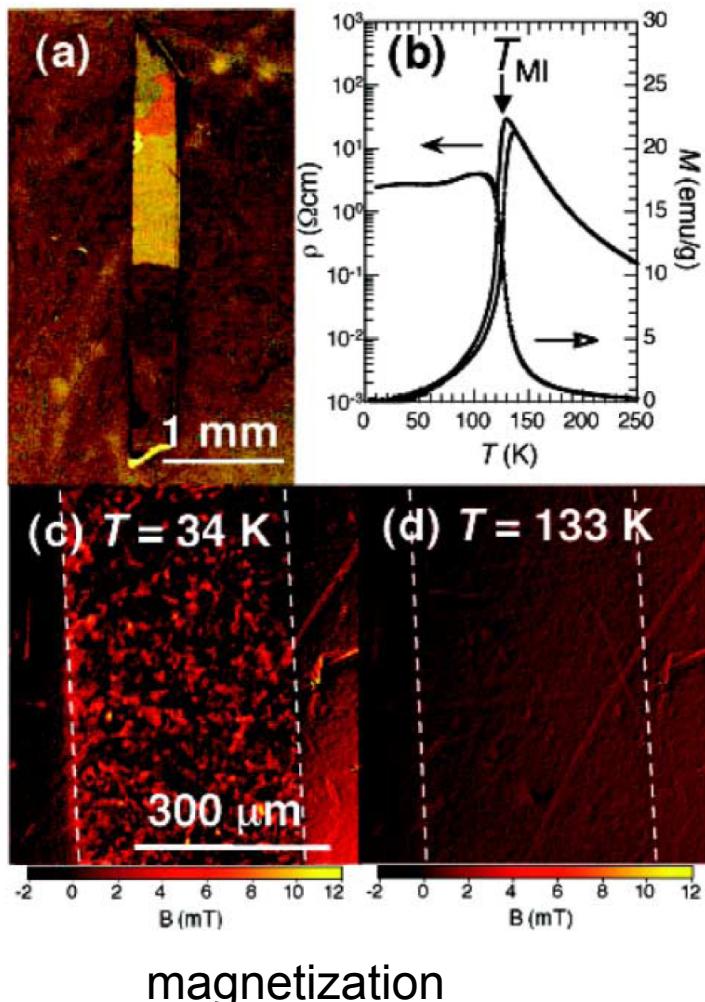
$$d^* = 1/d, \Delta d/d = \Delta\Theta/\tan\Theta$$

Crude estimation of the low limit of the magnetic domain sizes, assuming zero strain contribution gives  $L > 10^3 \text{ \AA}$

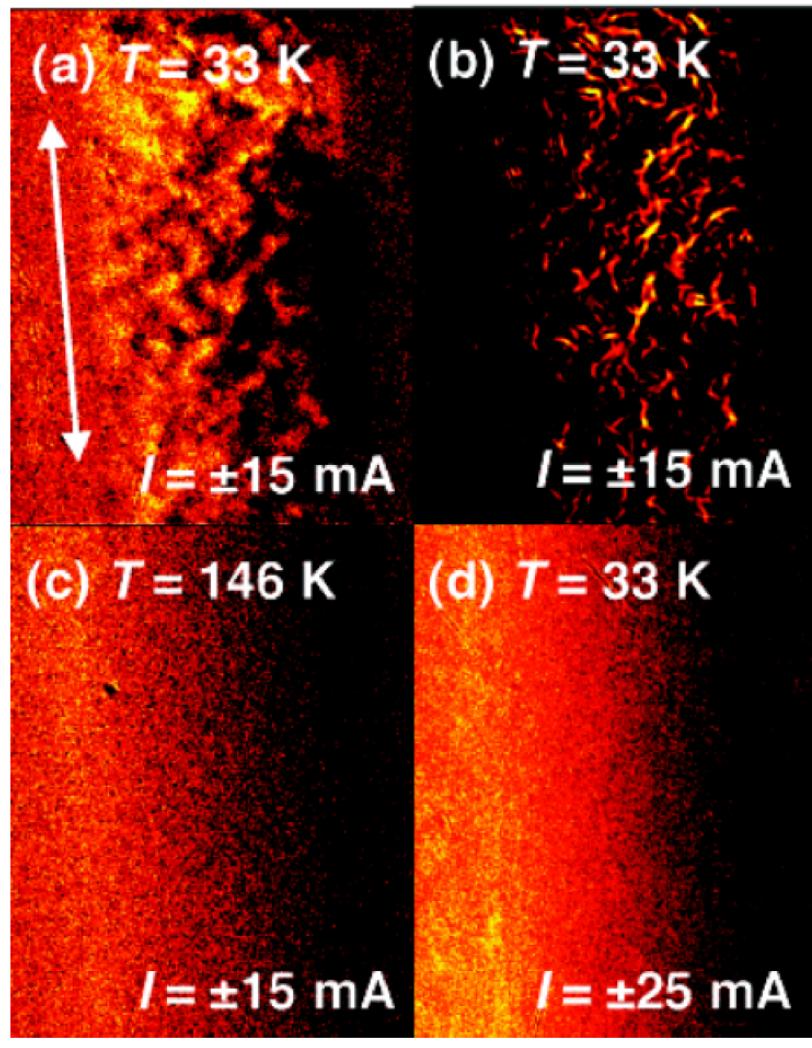


# MO Imaging of Percolative Conduction Paths and Their Breakdown in Phase-Separated $(\text{La}_{0.3}\text{Pr}_{0.7})_{0.7}\text{Ca}_{0.3}\text{MnO}_3$

Tokunaga, et al Phys Rev Letters 2004.  
(Faraday effect)

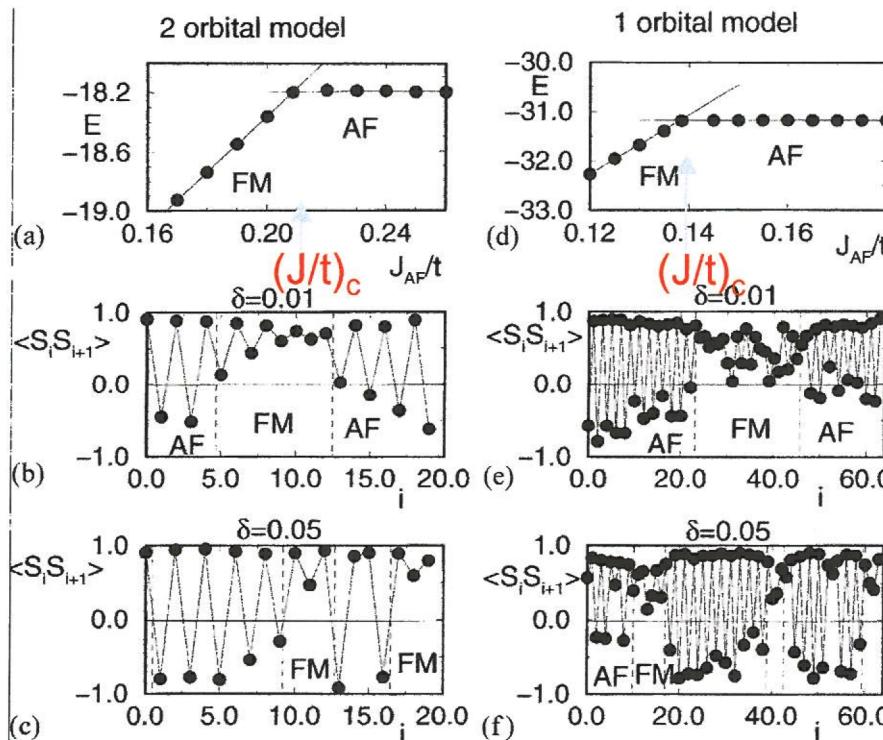
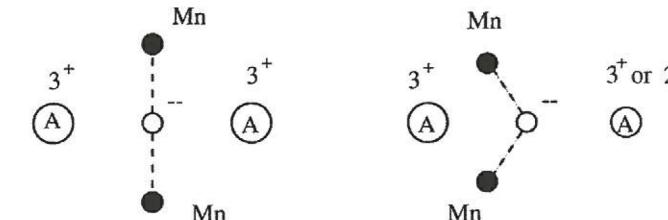


Current distribution



# Phase separation caused by the effect of disorder near MI-order transition

From: Moreo, Dagotto, PRL (2000)



$$H = -t \sum_i c_{i\sigma}^+ c_{j\sigma} + J \sum_{ij} S_i S_j + H_{el-ph}$$

$t$  is locally reduced due to smaller Pr-cation radius in  $(La_{1-y}Pr_y)_{0.7}Ca_{0.3}MnO_3$

1.216 Å

1.216 Å

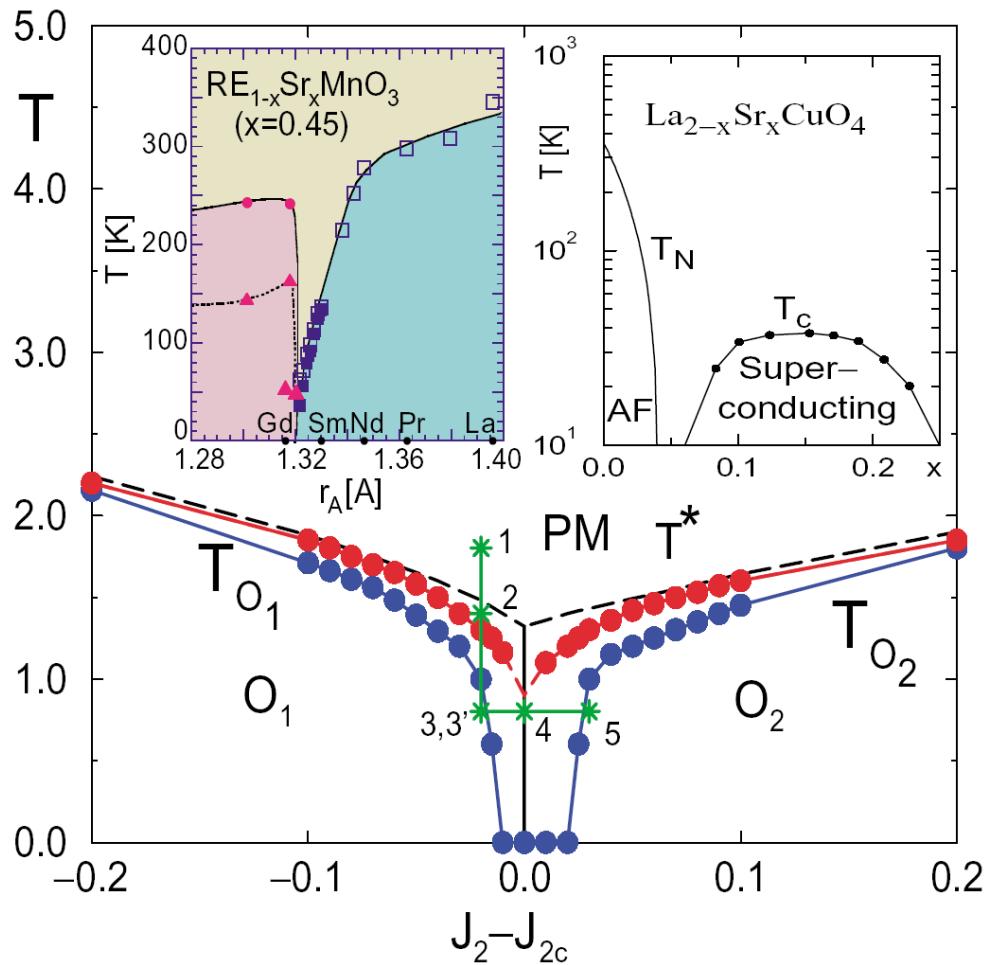
Generation of “giant” coexisting clusters

Energy per site vs.  $J/t$  for antiferro- and ferromagnetic state

MC averaged nearest-neighbor  $t_{2g}$ -spin correlations vs position along the chain.  
 $J/t$  varies between  $(J/t)_c - \delta$  and  $(J/t)_c + \delta$

# Influence of quenched disorder on the competition between ordered states separated by a first-order transition

J.Burgy, A.Moreo, M. Mayr, E.Dagotto, et al, PRL, PRB 2000-2004

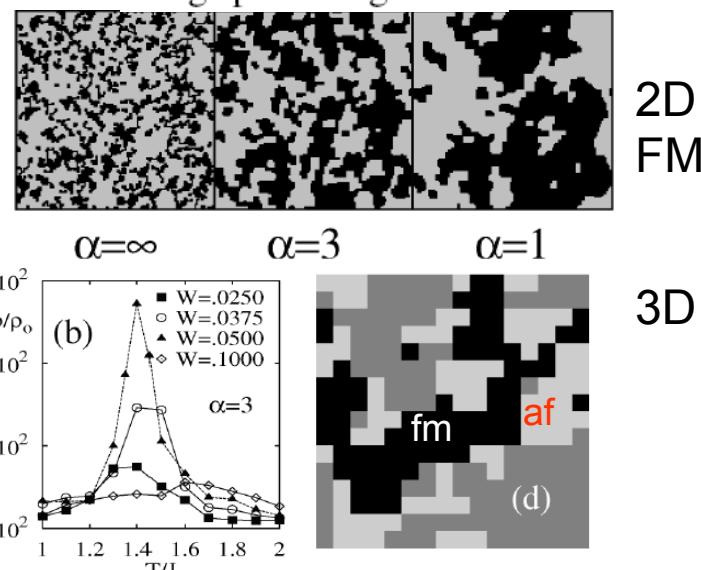


3D RFIM +correlated disorder

$$H = -J \sum_{\langle ij \rangle} s_i s_j + J' \sum_{[ik]} s_i s_k + \Delta \sum_{i,j} h_i s_j / d_{ij}^\alpha,$$

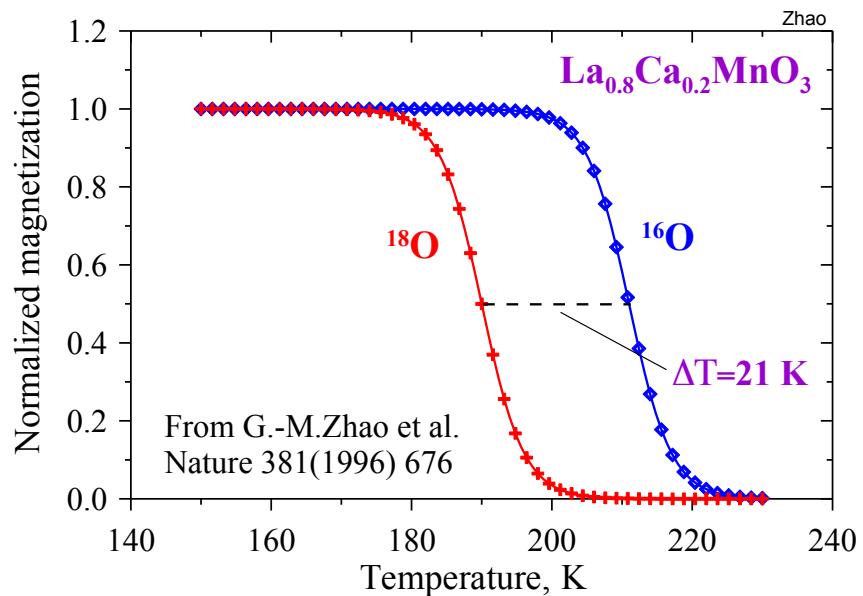
$\alpha \sim 3$  elasticity mechanism of the distortion propagation (Khomskii, Kugel, 2001)

Ising spin configuration



# Large isotope effect in metallic manganites

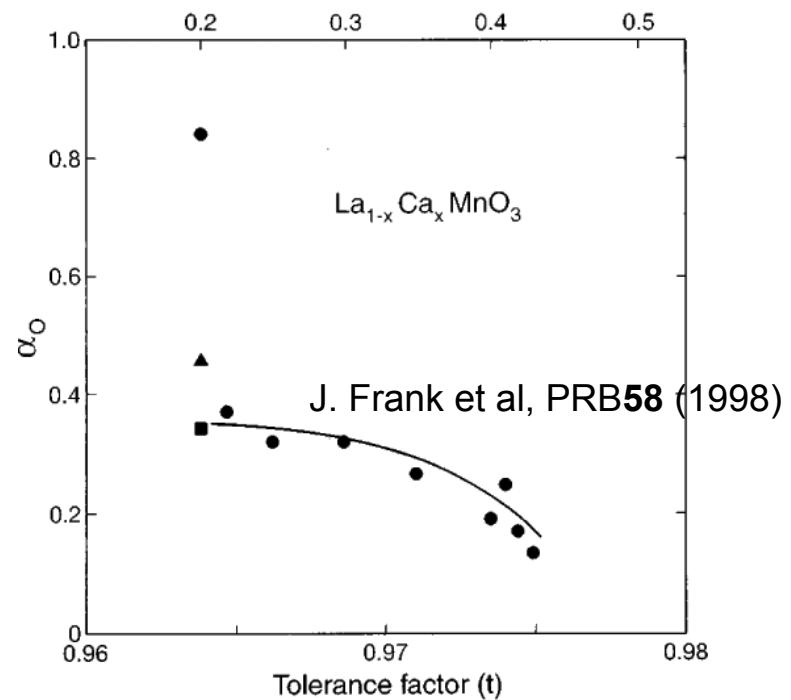
Decrease in  $T_C$  by  $^{16}\text{O} \rightarrow ^{18}\text{O}$  exchange



Oxygen isotope exponent

$$\alpha_0 = -\Delta \ln T_C / \Delta \ln M = 0.5 \gamma E_{JT} / \hbar \omega$$

Calcium concentration ( $x$ )



Small polaron<sup>1</sup>  $t^* = t e^{-g^2} = t \exp\left(-\frac{\gamma E_{\text{polaron}}}{\hbar \omega}\right) \sim t \exp(-k \sqrt{M})$

$\gamma = \gamma(E/t) \sim 1$

double exchange:  $T_C \sim t$

J/T-polaron  $\text{Mn}^{3+}/\text{Mn}^{4+}$

$t_{2g}^3 e_g^1 / t_{2g}^3 e_g^0$

<sup>1</sup>A.S.Alexandrov, N.F.Mott Int. J. mod. Phys **8**, 2075 (1994)

One-orbit DE + small polaron model

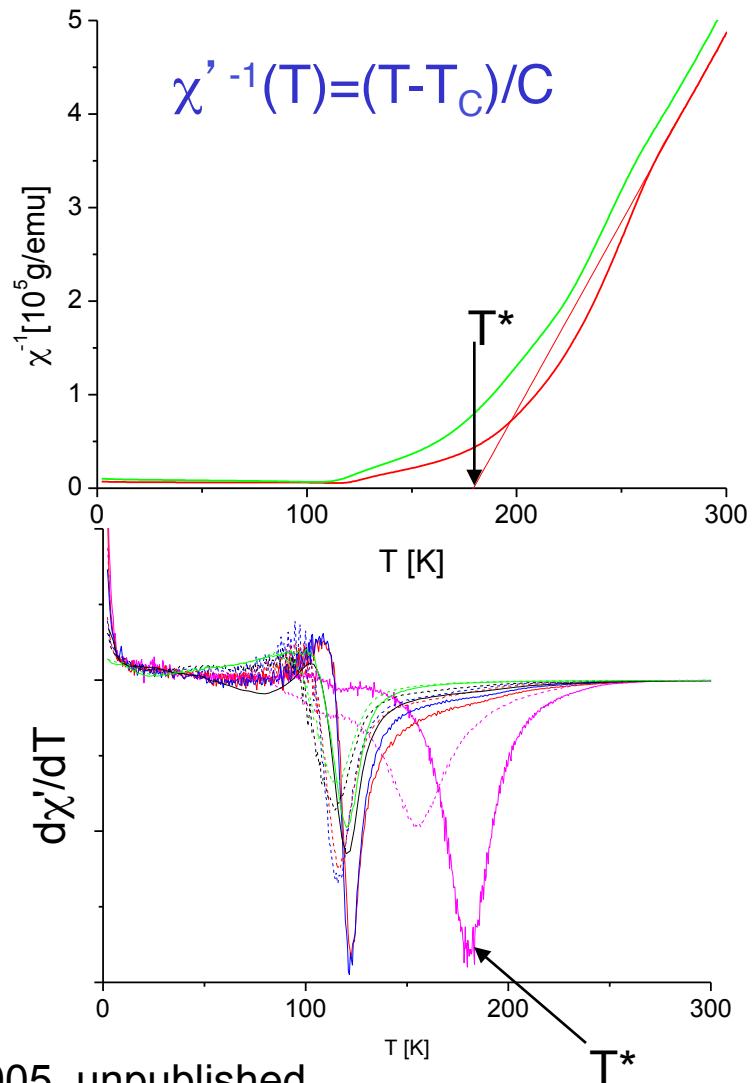
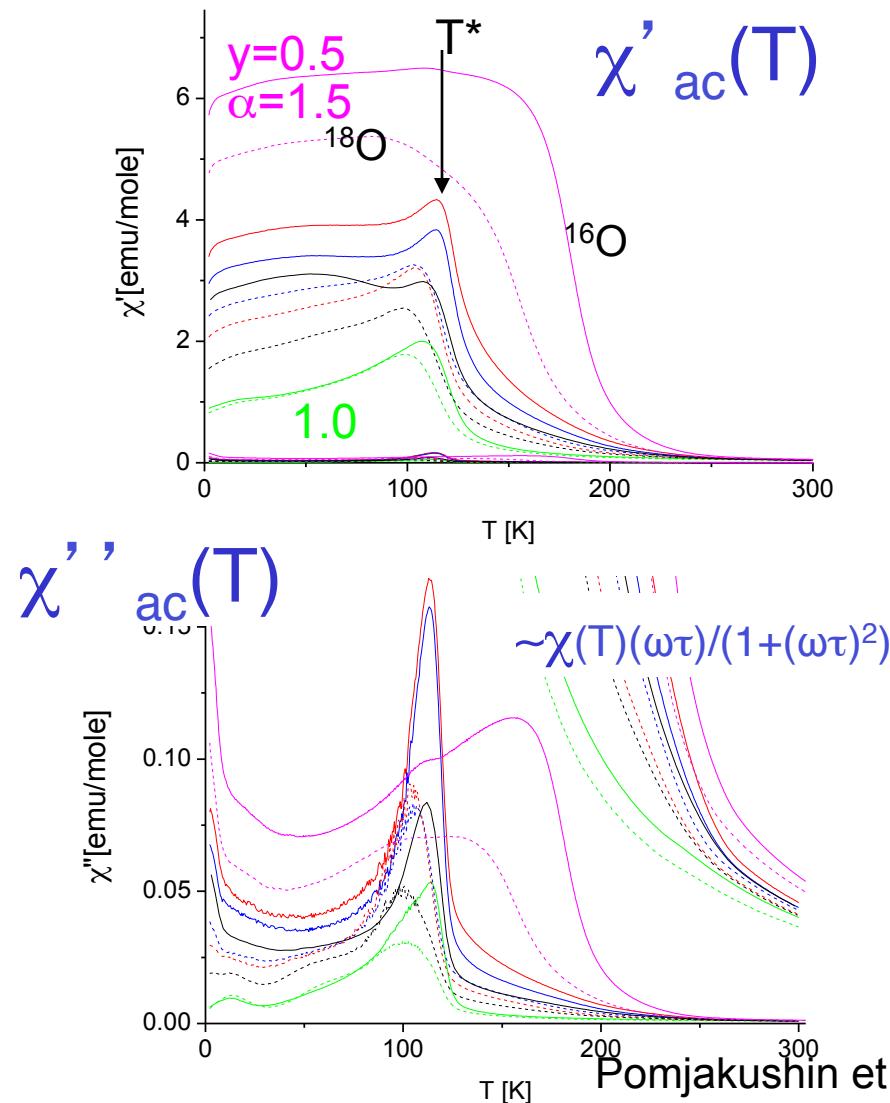
U.Yu, et al PRB **61**, 8938 (2000)

C.A. Perroni et al, PRB **66**, 184409 (2002)

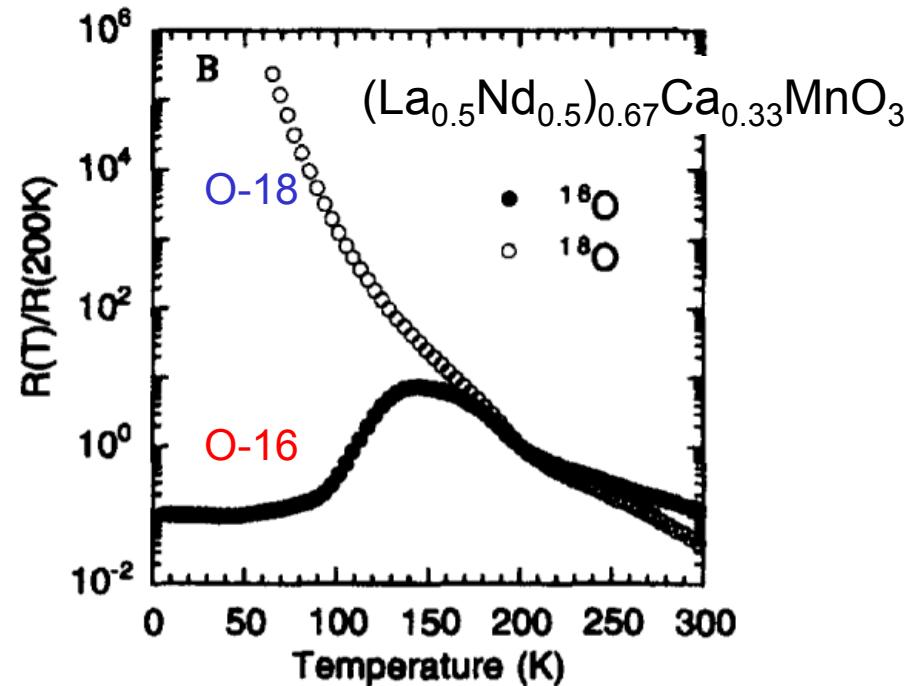
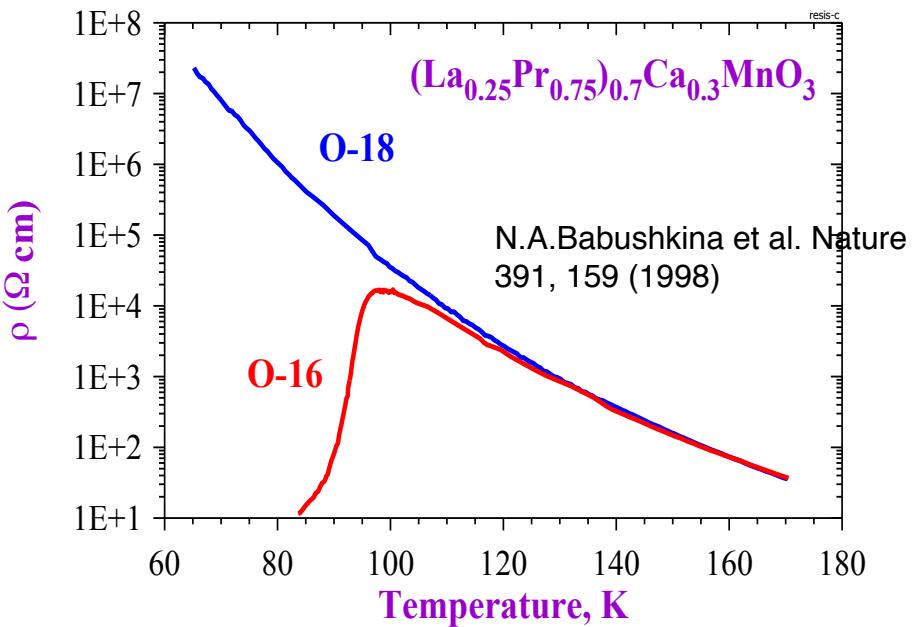
S.W. Biernacki PRB **61**, 184409 (2002)

$$\alpha_0 = 0.3 - 0.65$$

# $(La_{1-y}Pr_y)_{0.7}Ca_{0.3}MnO_3$ : $\chi_{ac}(T) = \chi'(T) + i\chi''(T)$



# Giant isotope effect in intermediate-bandwidth manganites

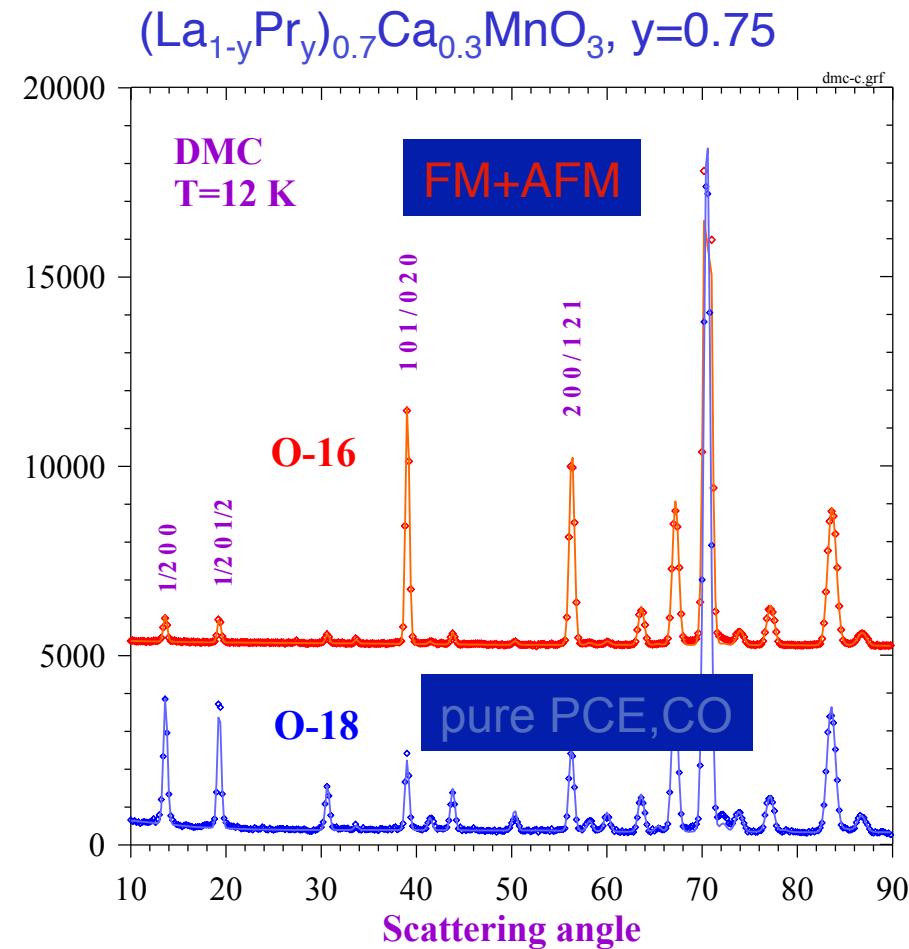


Guo-meng Zhao et al, Solid State Comm. **104**, 57 (1997)

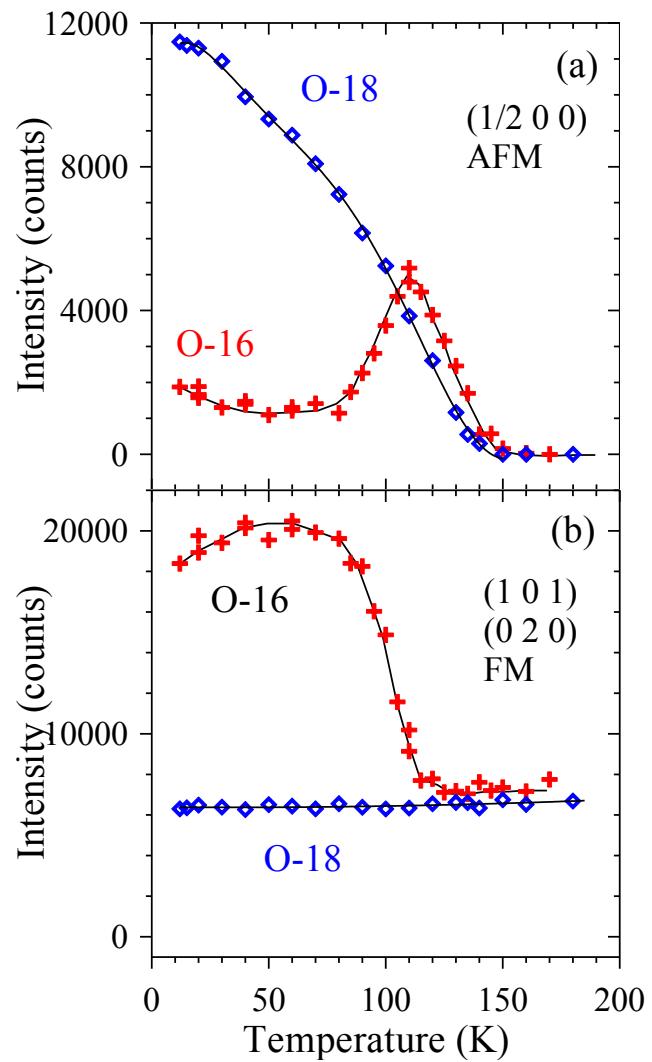
$$t^* = t \exp\left(-\frac{E_{pol}}{\varpi}\right) \quad \text{is not enough!}$$

M-I is a percolative transition in phase separated state

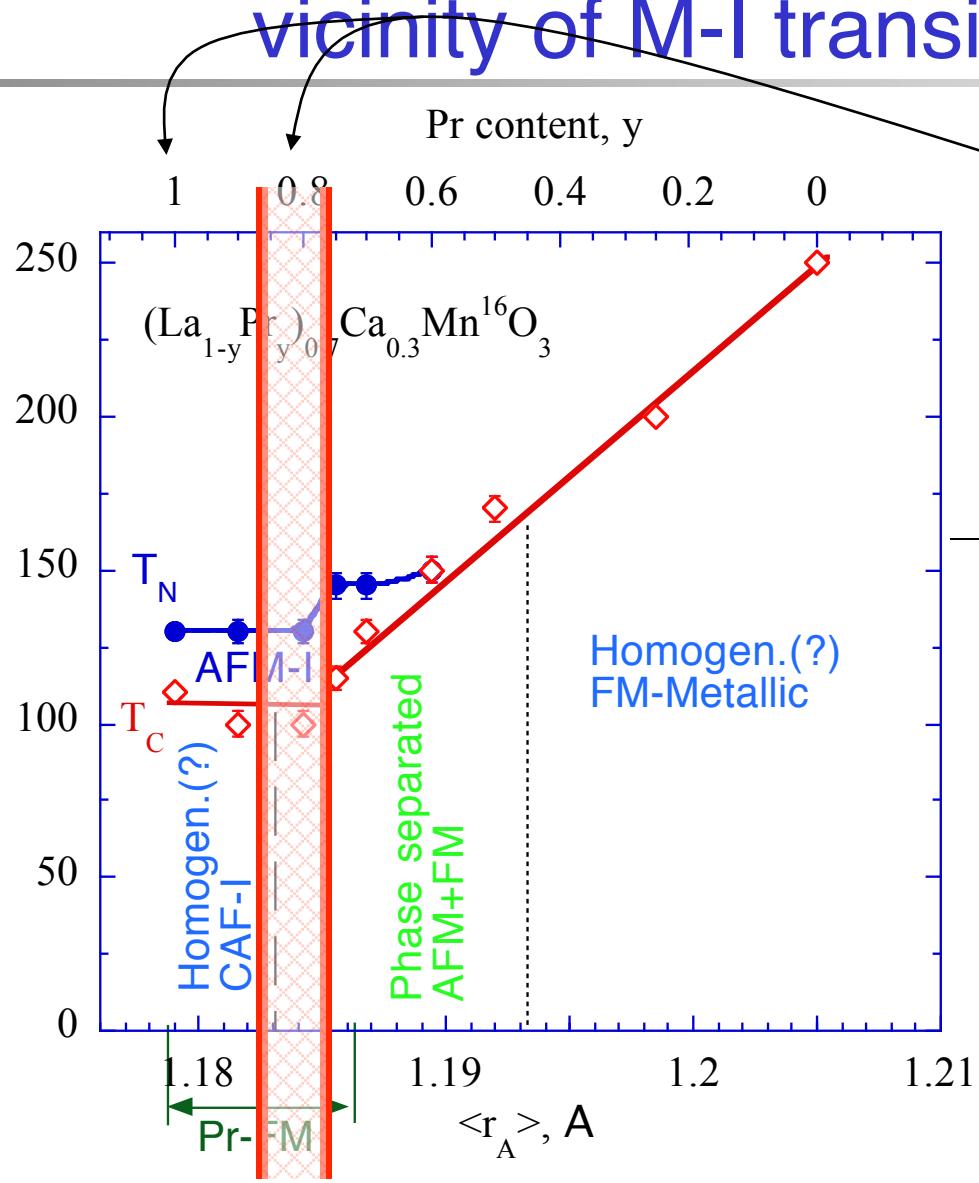
# Giant isotope effect: magnetic structure



Balagurov et al, *Phys. Rev. B* **60**, 383 (1999)



# Natural continuation: Isotope effect in the vicinity of M-I transition @ $y=0.8$



$y=0.7, 0.8$  and  $1.0$

## HR diffraction and $\chi_{ac}(T)$ :

- the  $y$ -range of the giant isotope effect.
- detailed T-scans: the interplay magnetic, orbital and charge ordering

Polaronic narrowing works if:

e-hopping time

$$\tau \sim 1/\omega$$

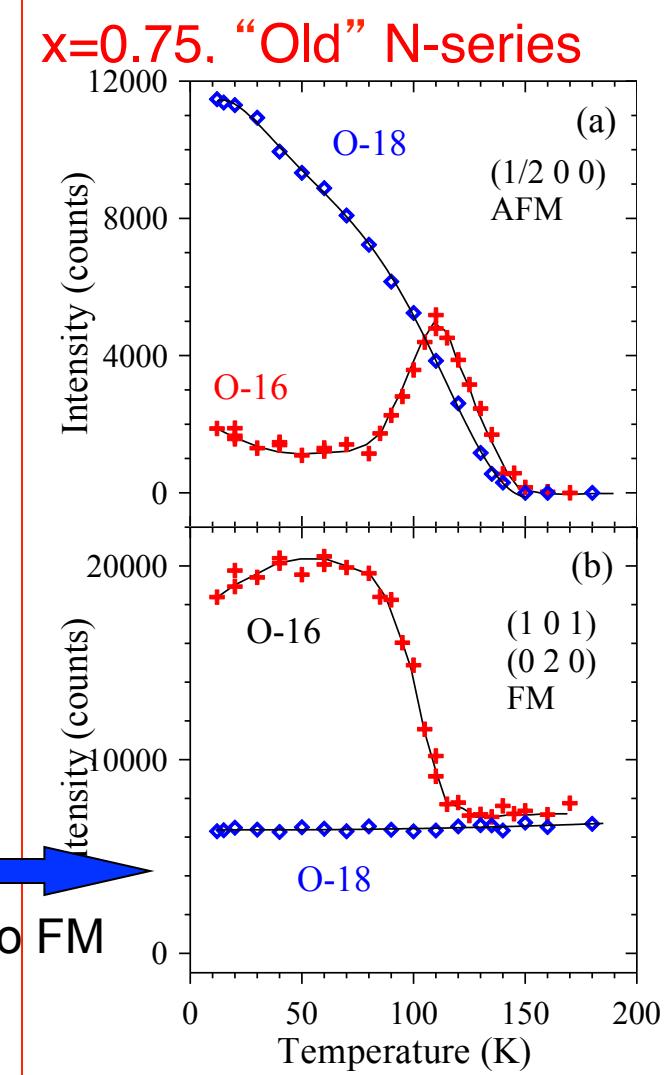
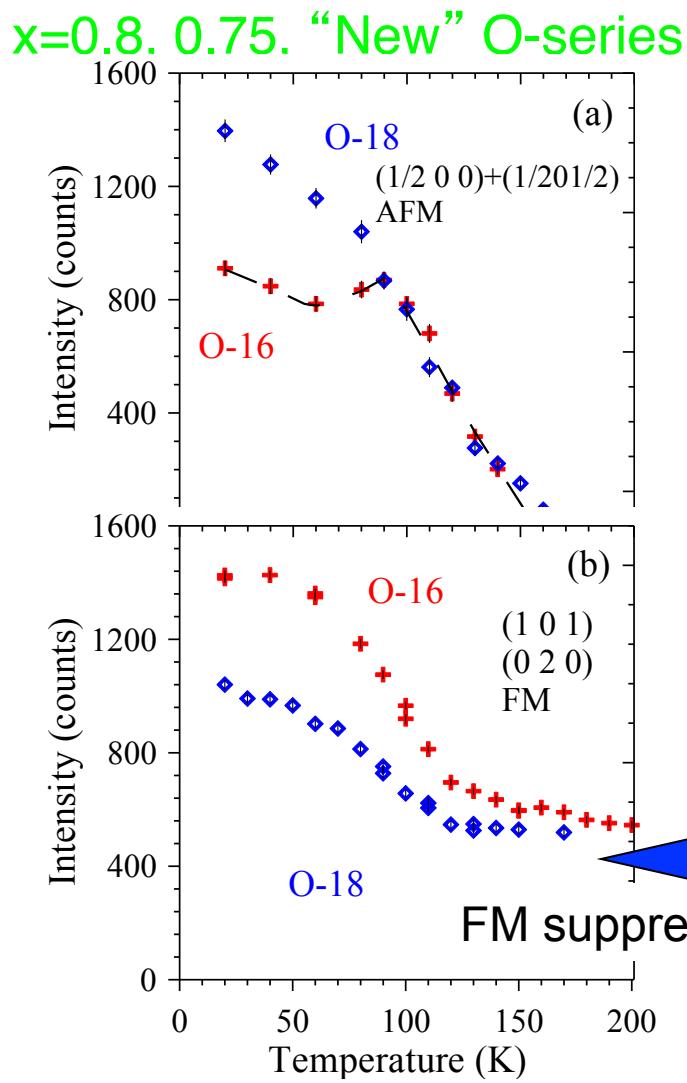
opt. phonon  
 $\sim 20$  meV

Isotope effect expected?

NO  
superexchange  
 $J_{AF} \sim -b^2/U$   
 $\tau = \hbar/U$ ,  $U=5\text{eV}$

YES  
doble-exchange  
charge ordering  
 $T_C \sim zt$   
 $T_{CO} \sim t/V$ ,  $V \sim 0.2$

# Magnetic state. Bragg I(T)



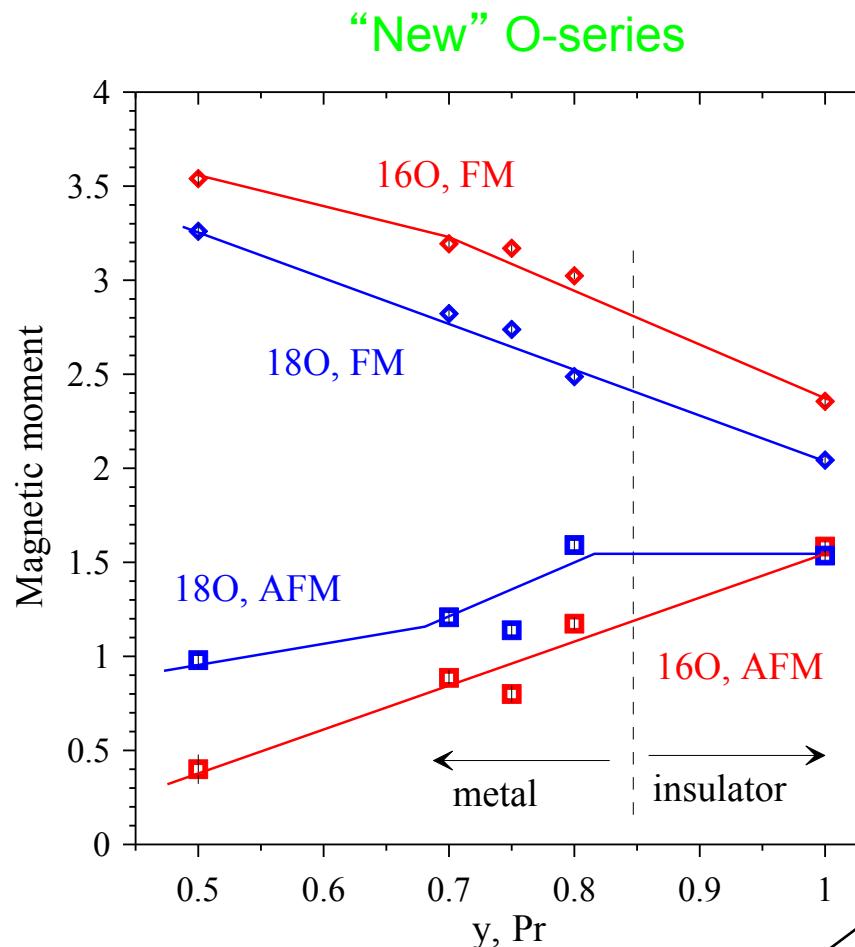
# What is the difference between the samples



- **O-series ( $y=0.2, 0.5, 0.8, 0.75, 0.7, 1.0$ ):** by the solid state synthesis from oxides and carbonates of respective metals. The  $^{18}\text{O}$  (>85%) samples as well as the final  $^{16}\text{O}$  samples were obtained via respective oxygen isotope exchange at the same conditions
- **N-series<sup>1</sup>:** by the “paper” synthesis starting from aqueous solutions of nitrates of the respective metals (N-series) with the final thermal treatment similar to the O-series

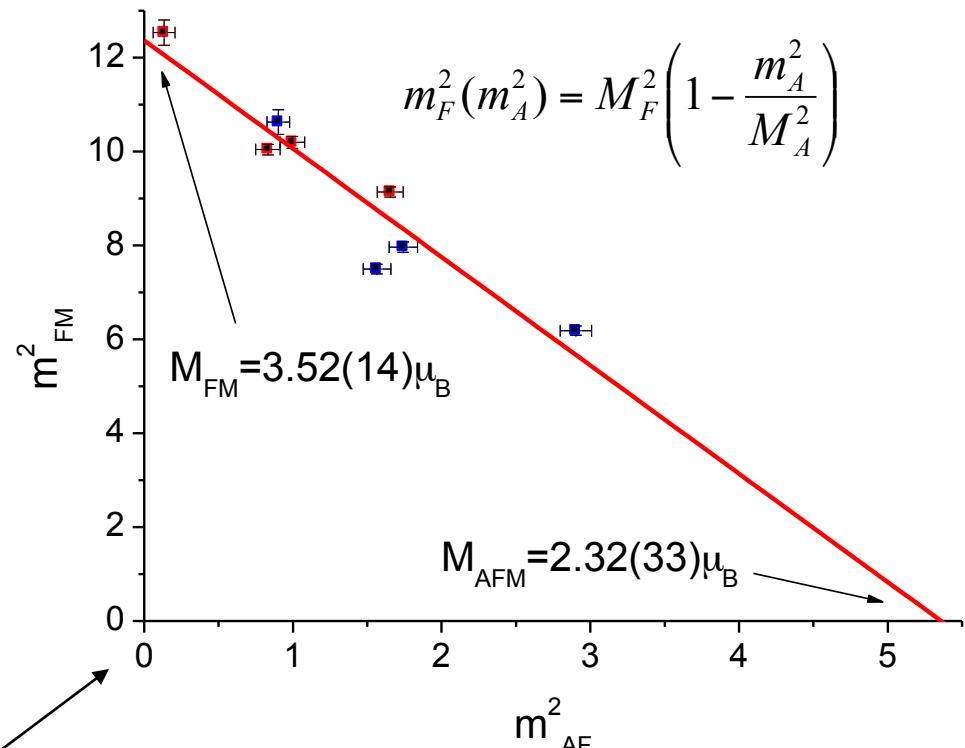
[1] Balagurov et al, *Phys. Rev. B* **60**, 383 (1999);  
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# Saturated effective magnetic moments in $(La_{1-y}Pr_y)_{0.7}Ca_{0.3}MnO_3$



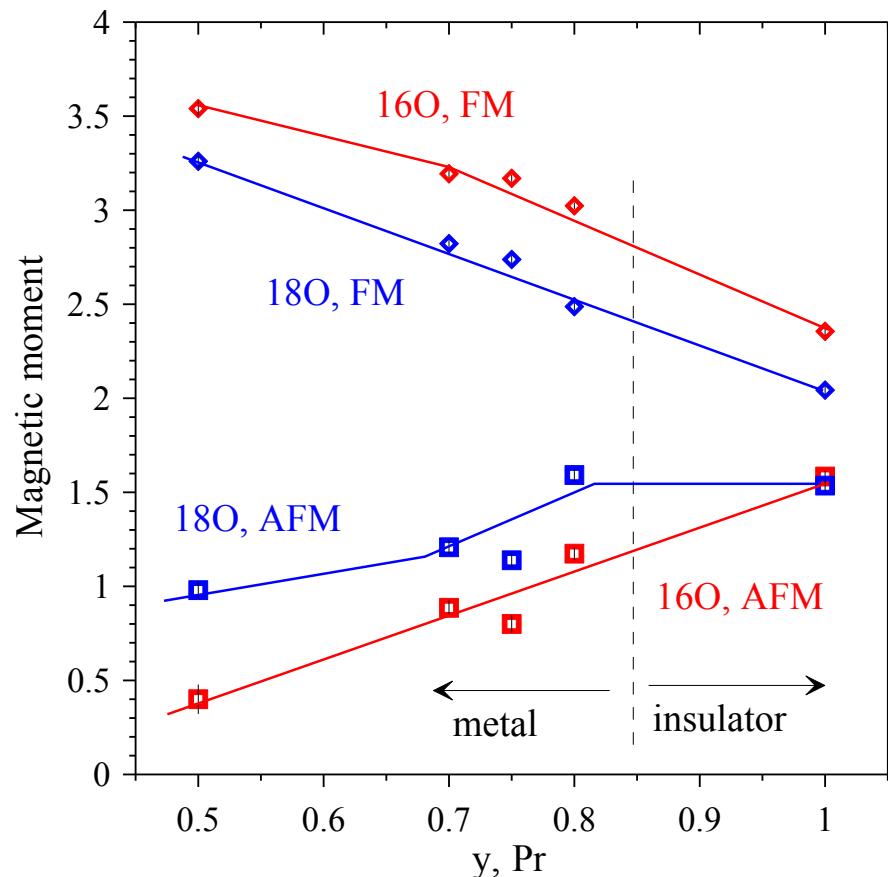
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} m_{AF} = \nu^{1/2} M_{AF} \\ m_F = (1-\nu)^{1/2} M_F \end{array} \right.$$

Metallic FM+AFM separated state

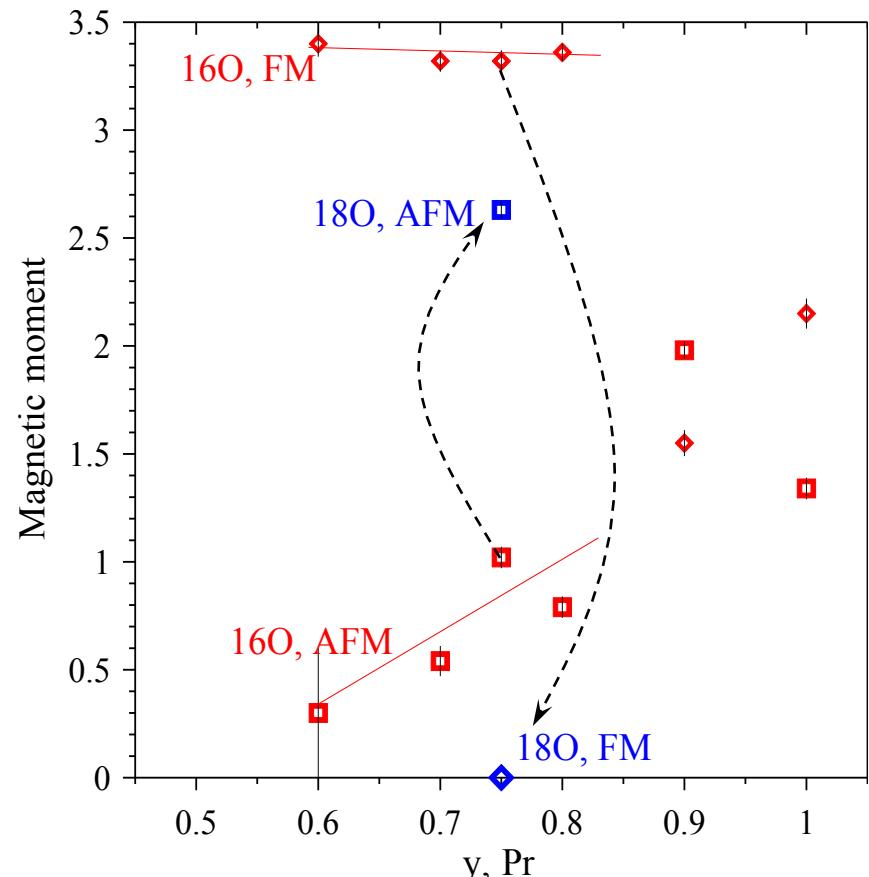


# Saturated effective magnetic moments in $(La_{1-y}Pr_y)_{0.7}Ca_{0.3}MnO_3$

“New” O-series



“Old” N-series



Effective moments

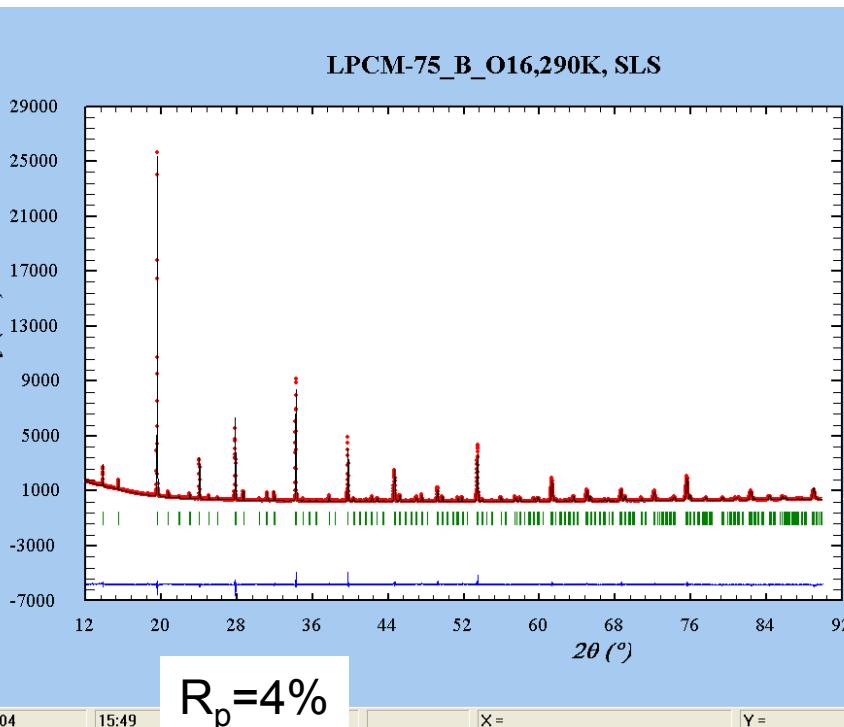
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} m_{AF} = \nu^{1/2} M_{AF} \\ m_F = (1-\nu)^{1/2} M_F \end{array} \right.$$

Volume fraction

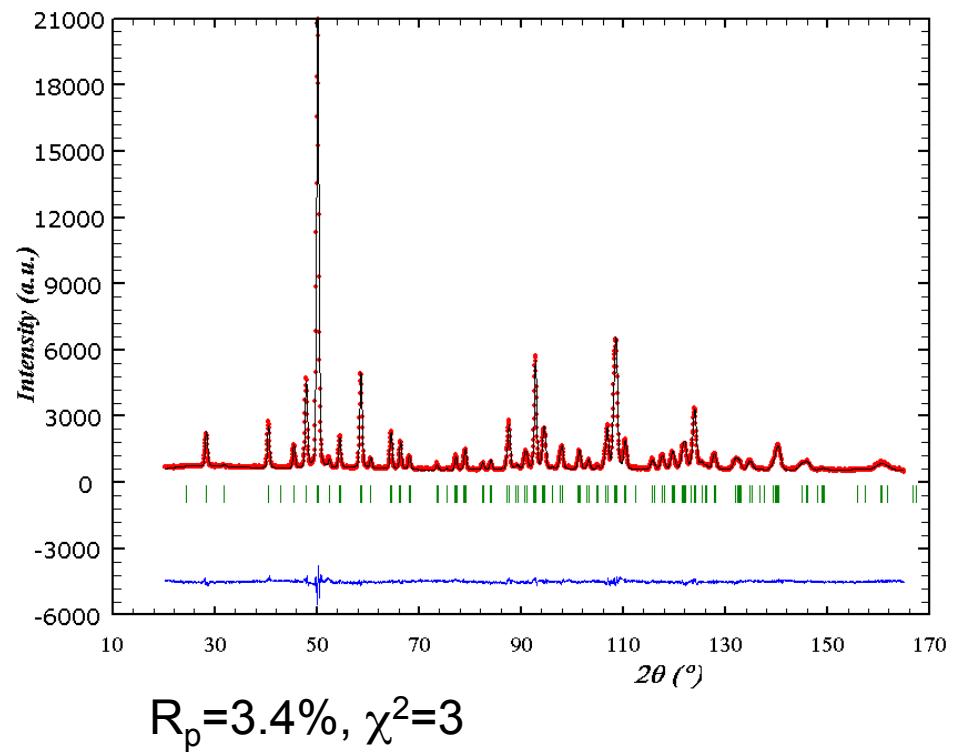
# What is the difference between two series? Crystal structure?

$(La_{1-y}Pr_y)_{0.7}Ca_{0.3}MnO_3$ ,  $y=0.75$  from both N- and O-series  
 $Pnma$ , single phase at 290K

SLS X-ray material beamline.  
Ultra-high resolution.  $\lambda=0.9\text{\AA}$

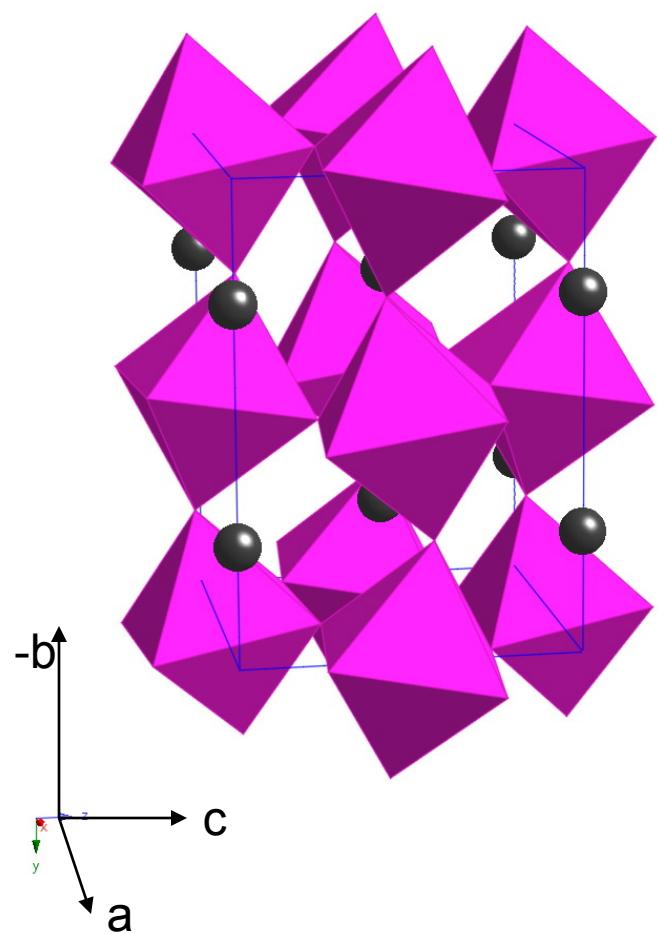
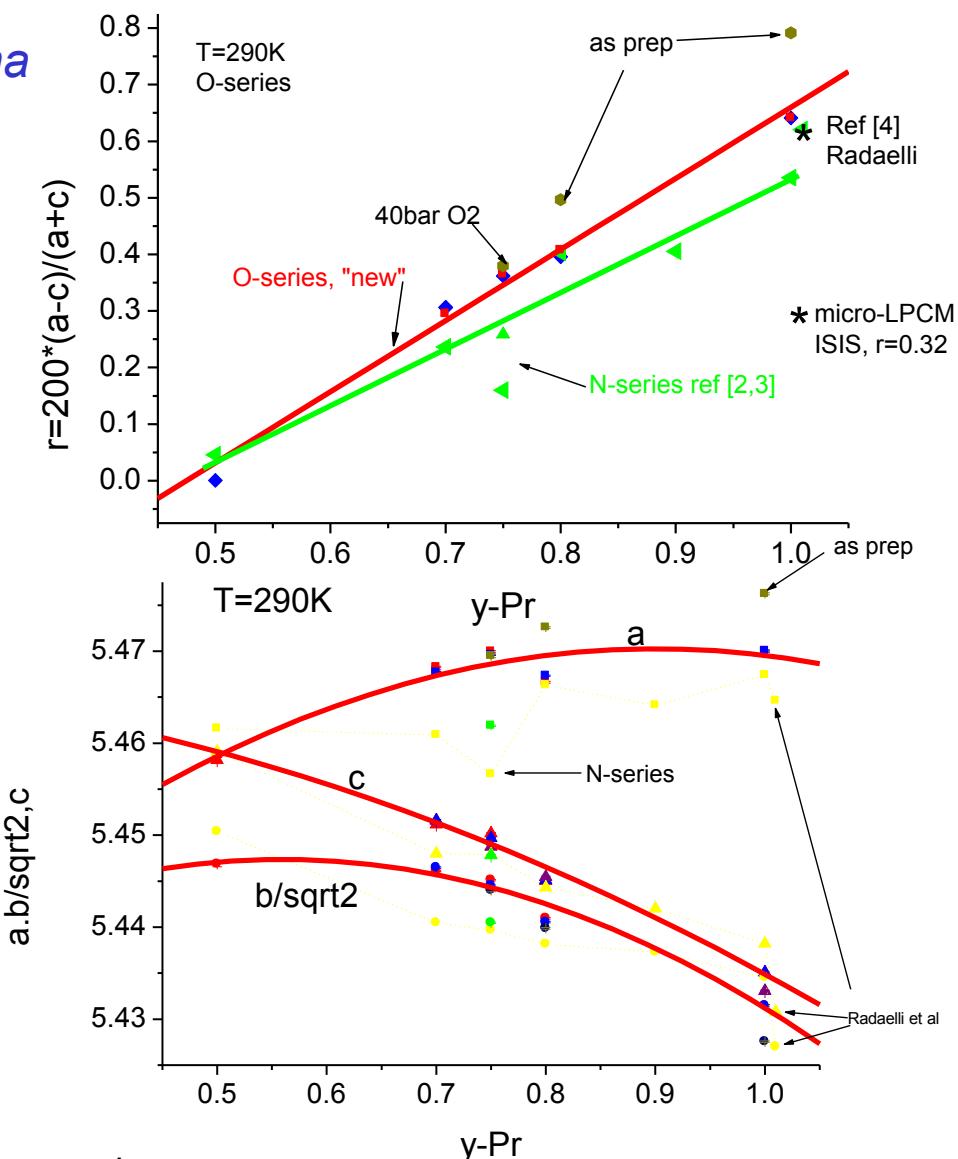


HRPT/SINQ diffraction pattern.  
 $\lambda=1.9\text{\AA}$ , HI-mode

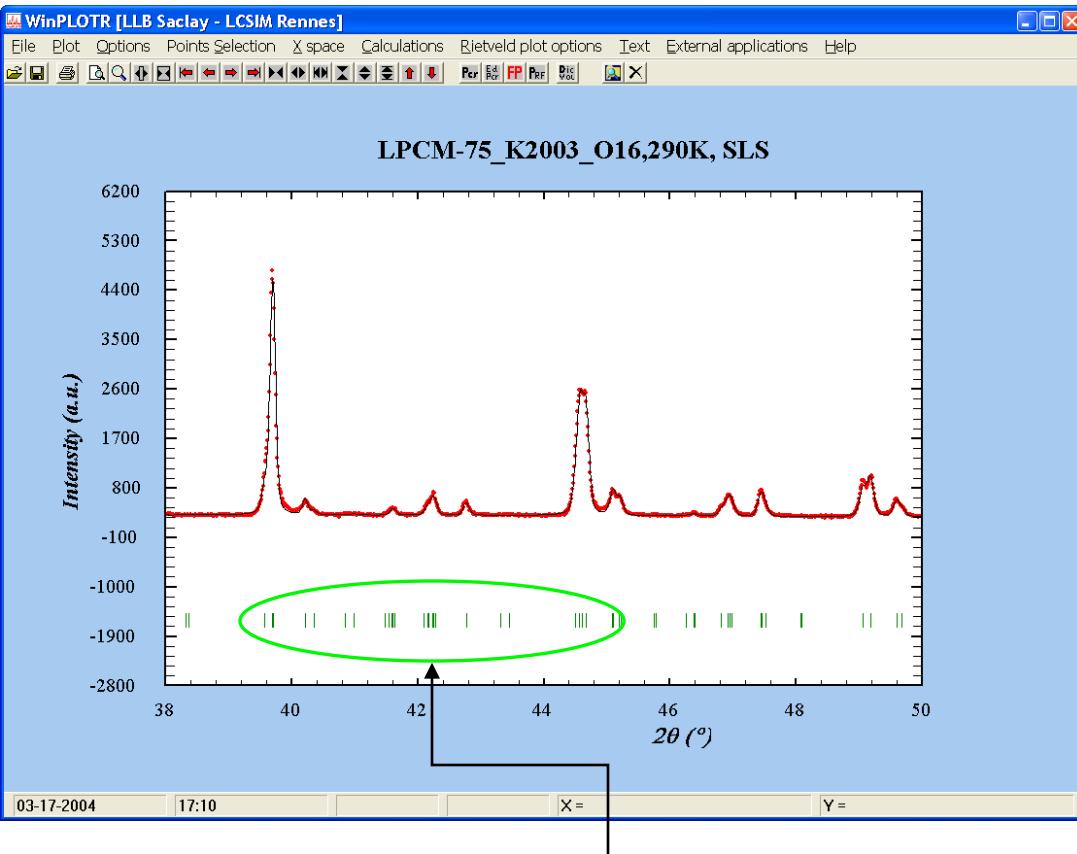


# Comparison of lattice parameters

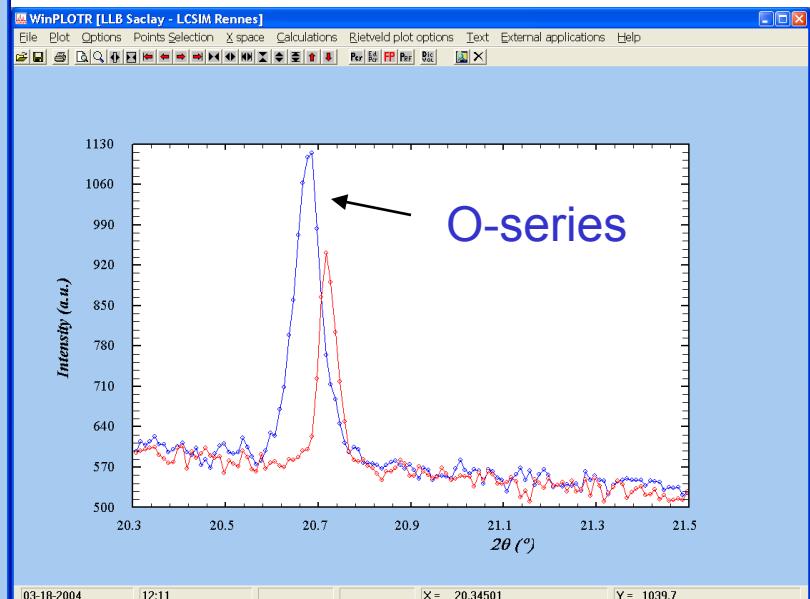
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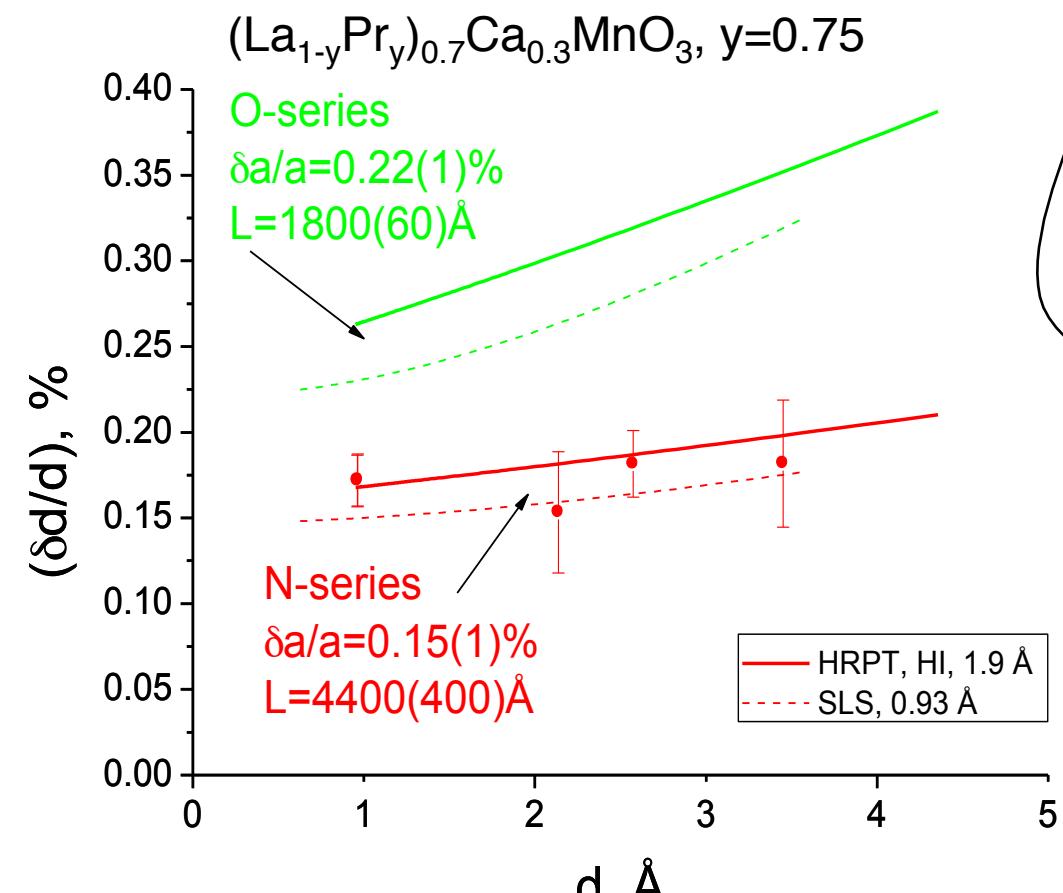
# Bragg peak widths. Synchrotron X-ray, HRPT



Pseudo-cubic metrics:  
Strong peak overlap



# Deconvolution of the Bragg-peak widths



Deconvolution of the pseudo-Voigt Bragg peaks width  
 $\delta(2\theta)$ =“Cagliotti” with the instrument resolution function.

Bragg peak width

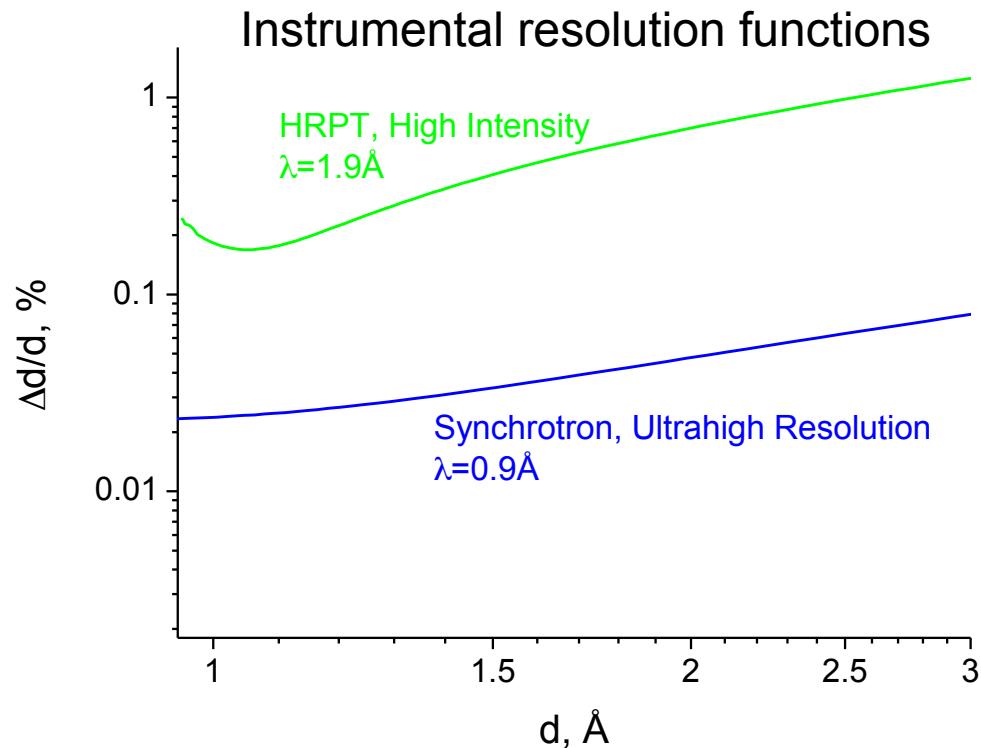
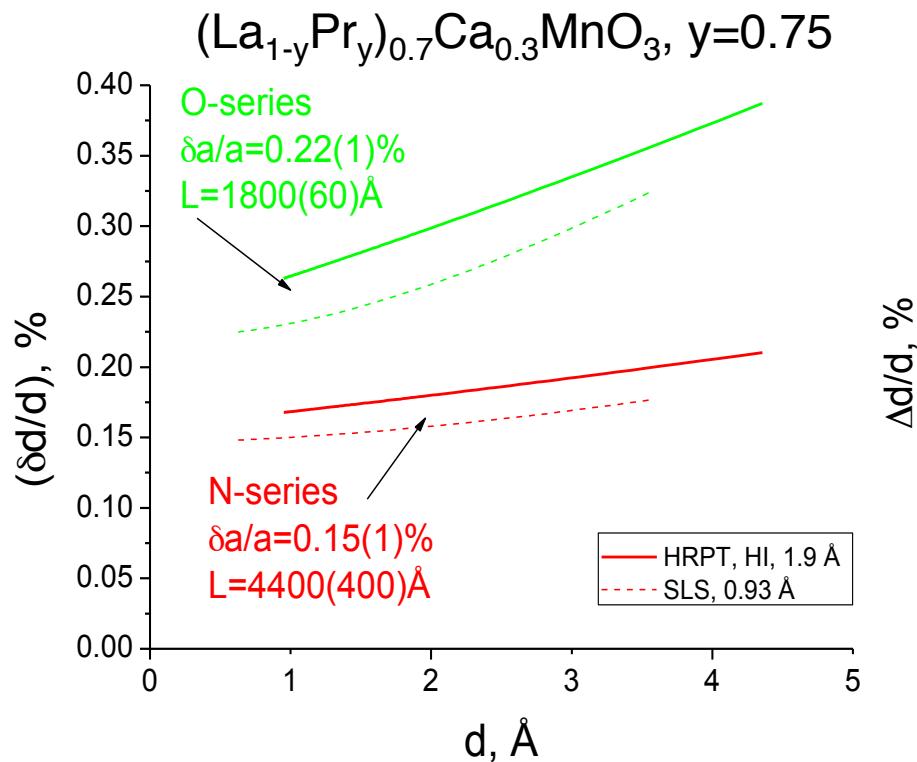
$\delta d/d = \delta a/a \otimes d/L$

strain      size

PV=Pseudo-Voigt  
 $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} G(2\theta - \xi) L(\xi) d\xi$

$$I_{\text{exp}} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} PV_{\text{sample}}(2\theta - \xi) PV_{\text{instrument}}(\xi) d\xi$$

# Deconvolution of the Bragg-peak widths. Comparison of HRPT and synchrotron



$$I_{\text{exp}}(2\theta) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} PV_{\text{sample}}(2\theta - \xi) PV_{\text{instrument}}(\xi) d\xi$$

Lorenzian  $\otimes$  Gaussian

# Isotope effect: conclusions

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$(La_{1-y}Pr_y)_{0.7}Ca_{0.3}MnO_3$  ( $y=0.2-1.0$ ) with  $^{16}O/^{18}O$

1. the  $^{16}O \rightarrow ^{18}O$  results in an increase in AFMI fraction at the expense of the decrease in FMM fraction in the phase separated state ( $y=0.2-0.8$ ).
2. elastic interactions are important for the formation of CO-AFM or/and FM metallic states: the redistribution is suppressed by lattice micro-strains.
3. the FM magnetic moment and  $T_c$  are decreased by  $^{16}O \rightarrow ^{18}O$  in the ***insulating*** CO state: DE should be involved!

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...work in progress...: how do  $T_c$ ,  $T_N$ ,  $T_{CO}$ , OO, low-T two-phase state are changed by  $^{16}O \rightarrow ^{18}O$

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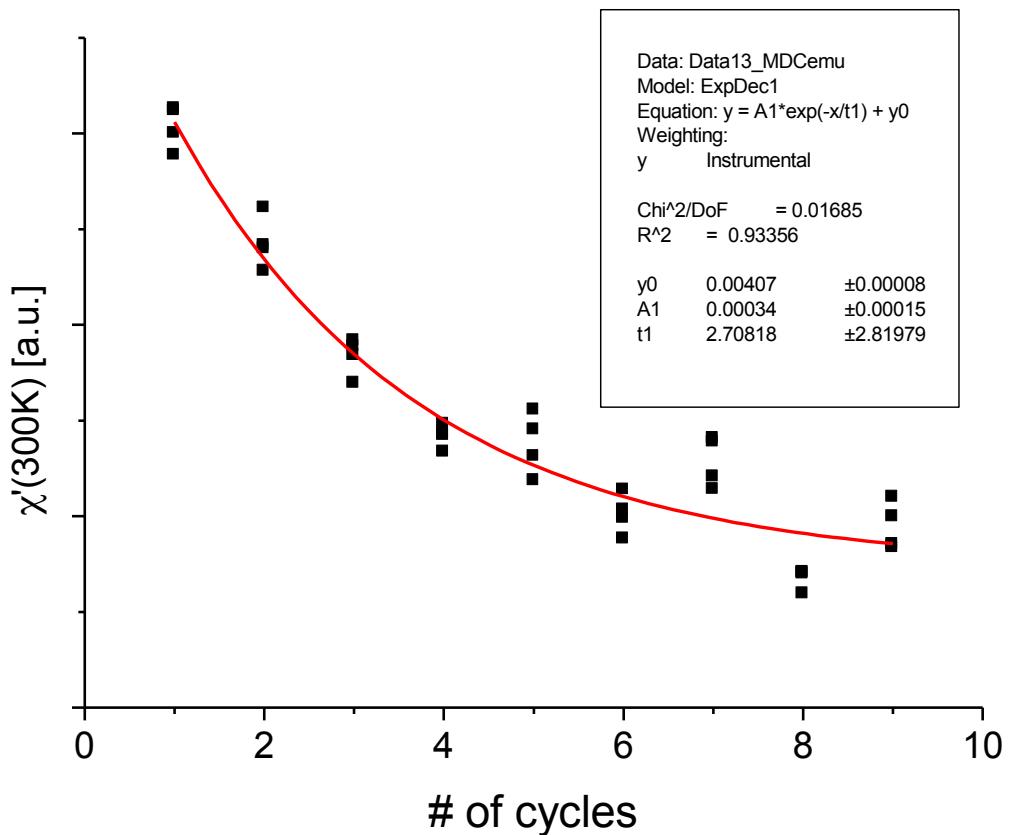
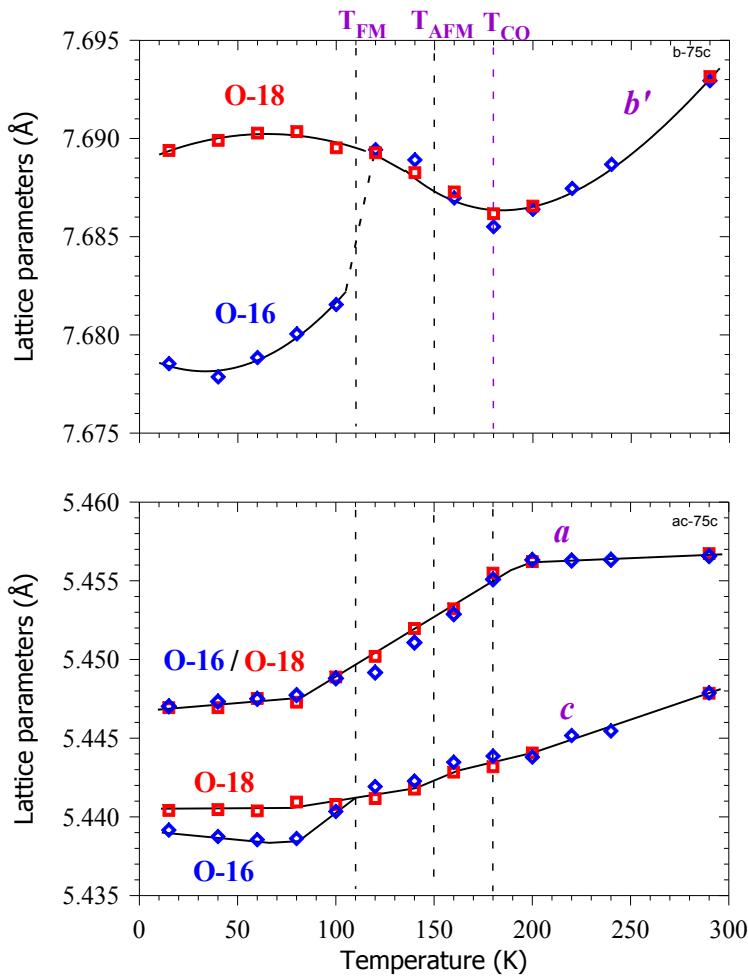
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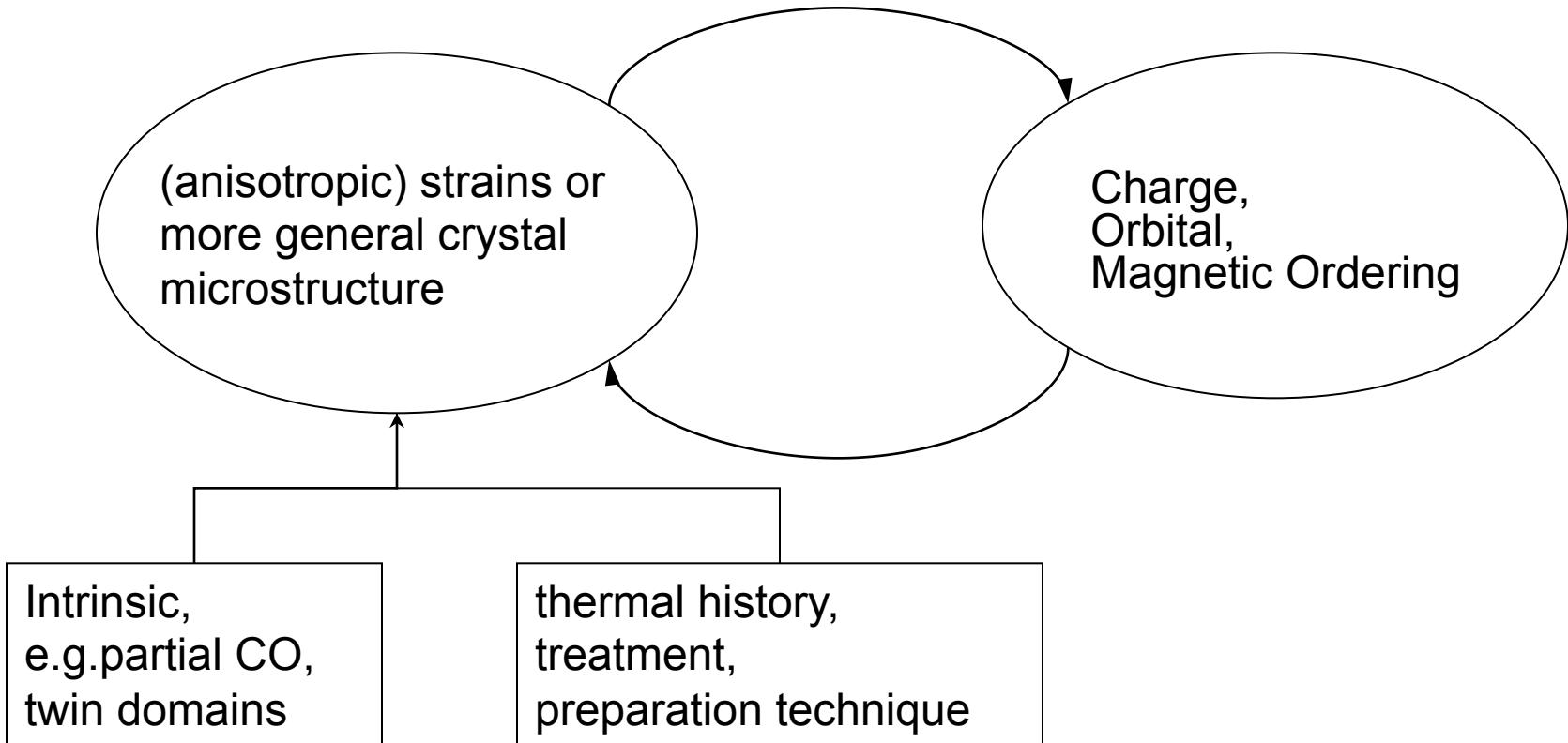


# Thermal cycling through $T_c$

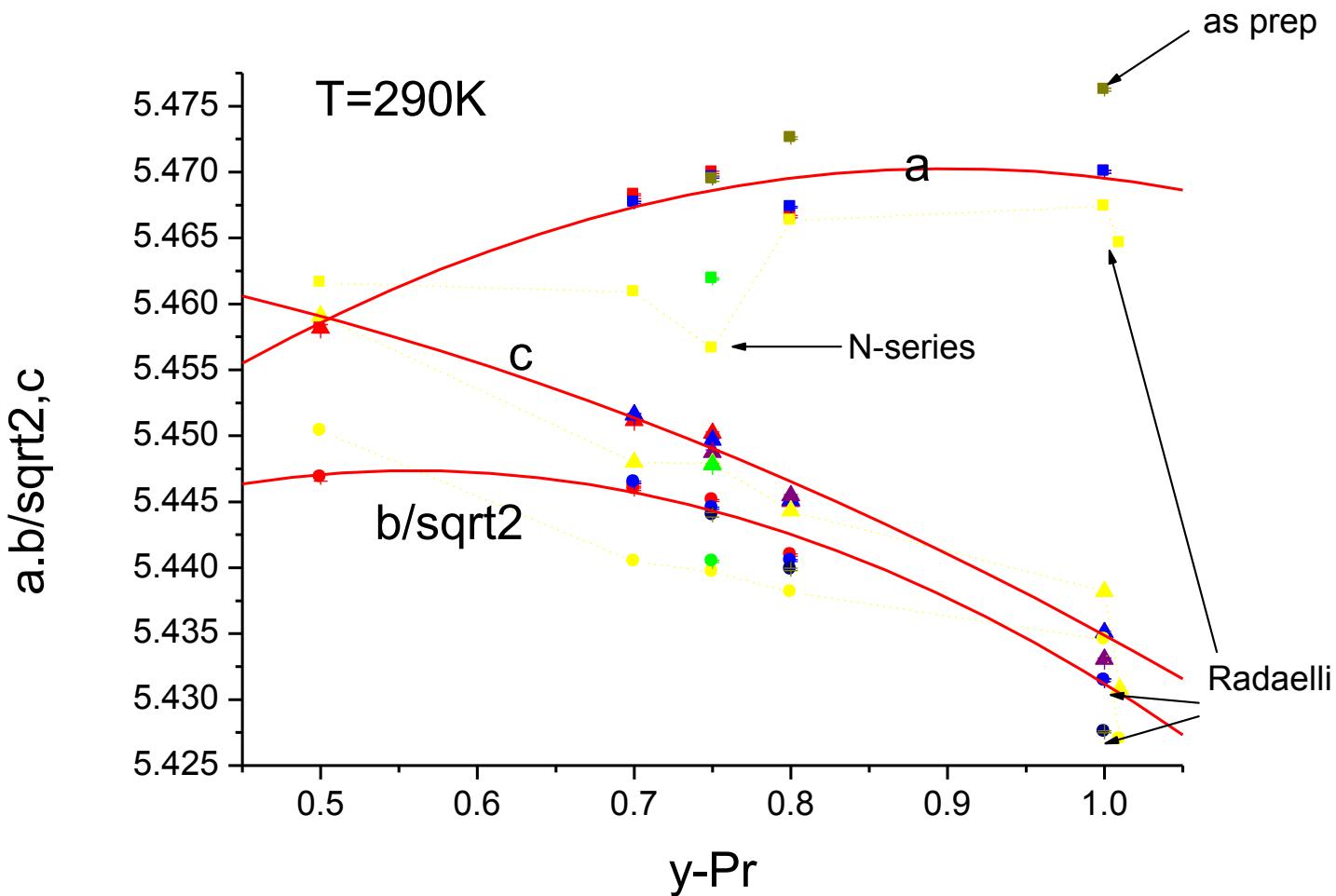


# What next?

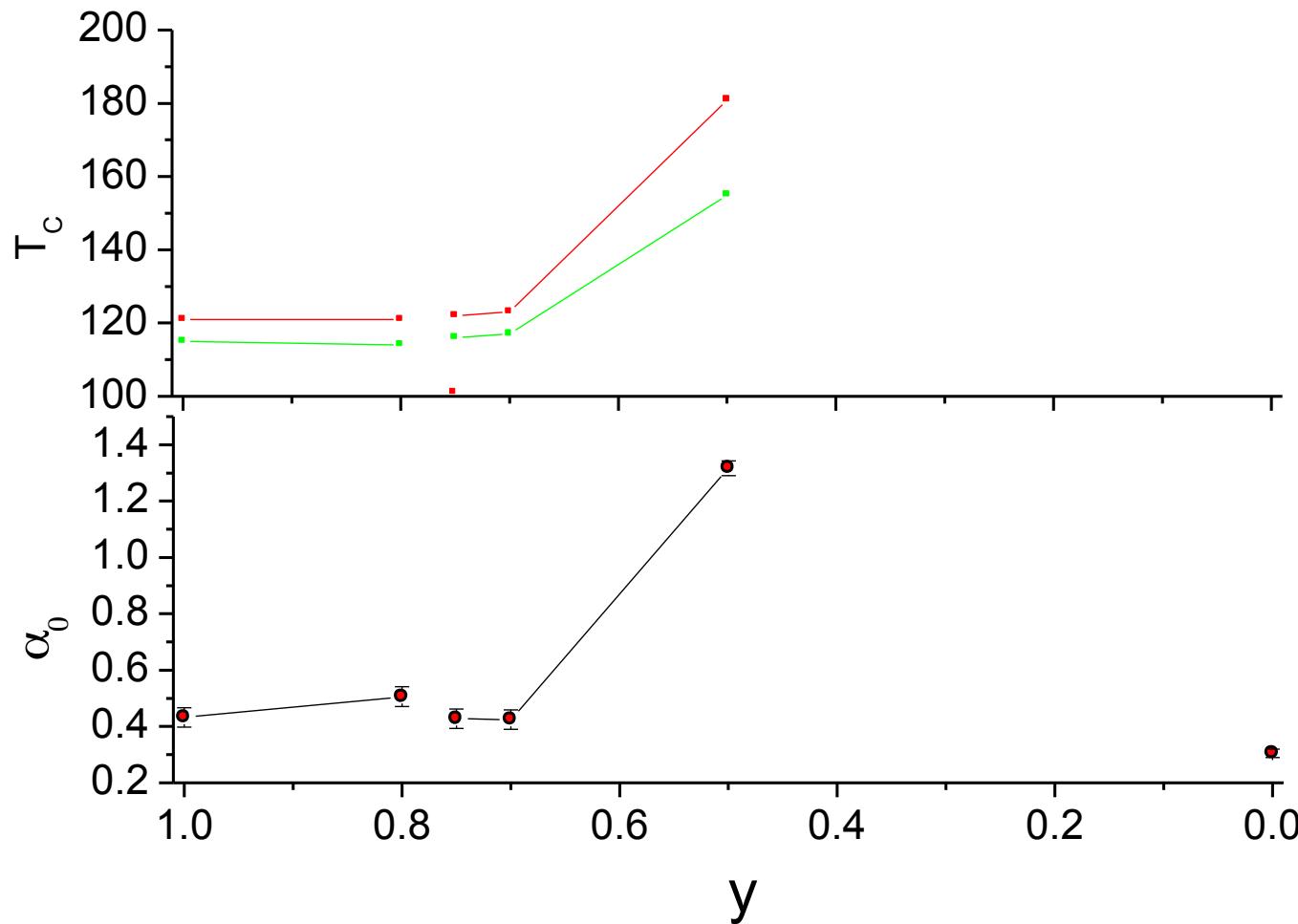
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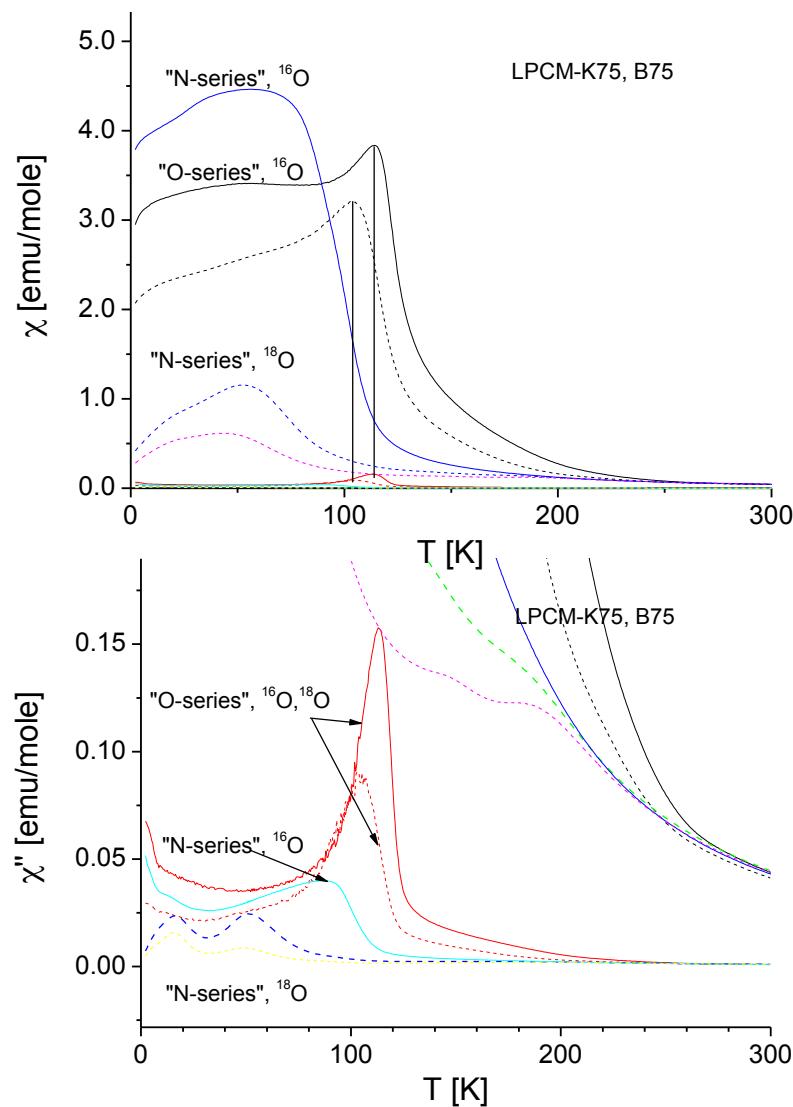
# Lattice parameters. *Pnma*



# $T_C$ , isotope exponent

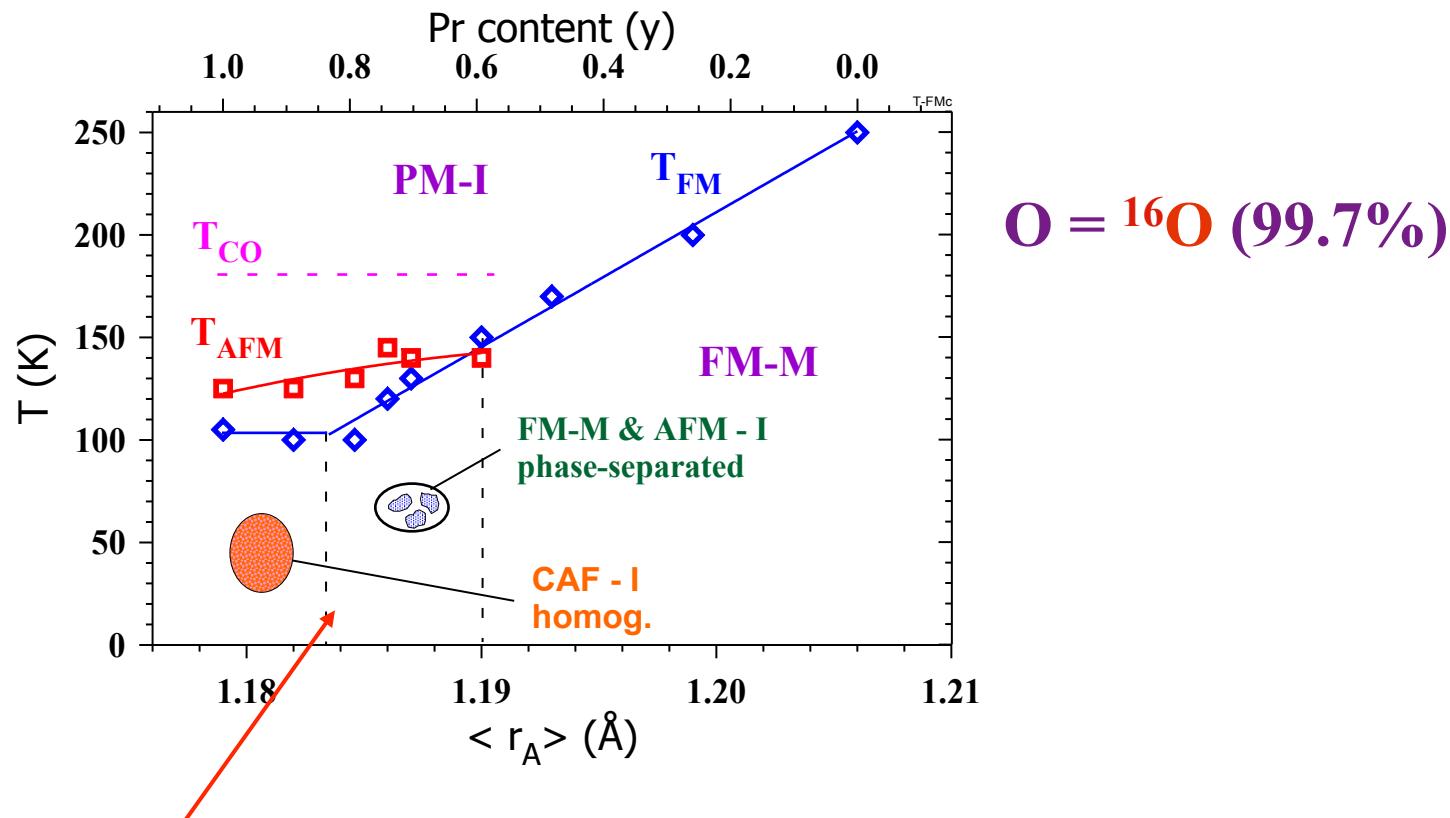


y=0.75



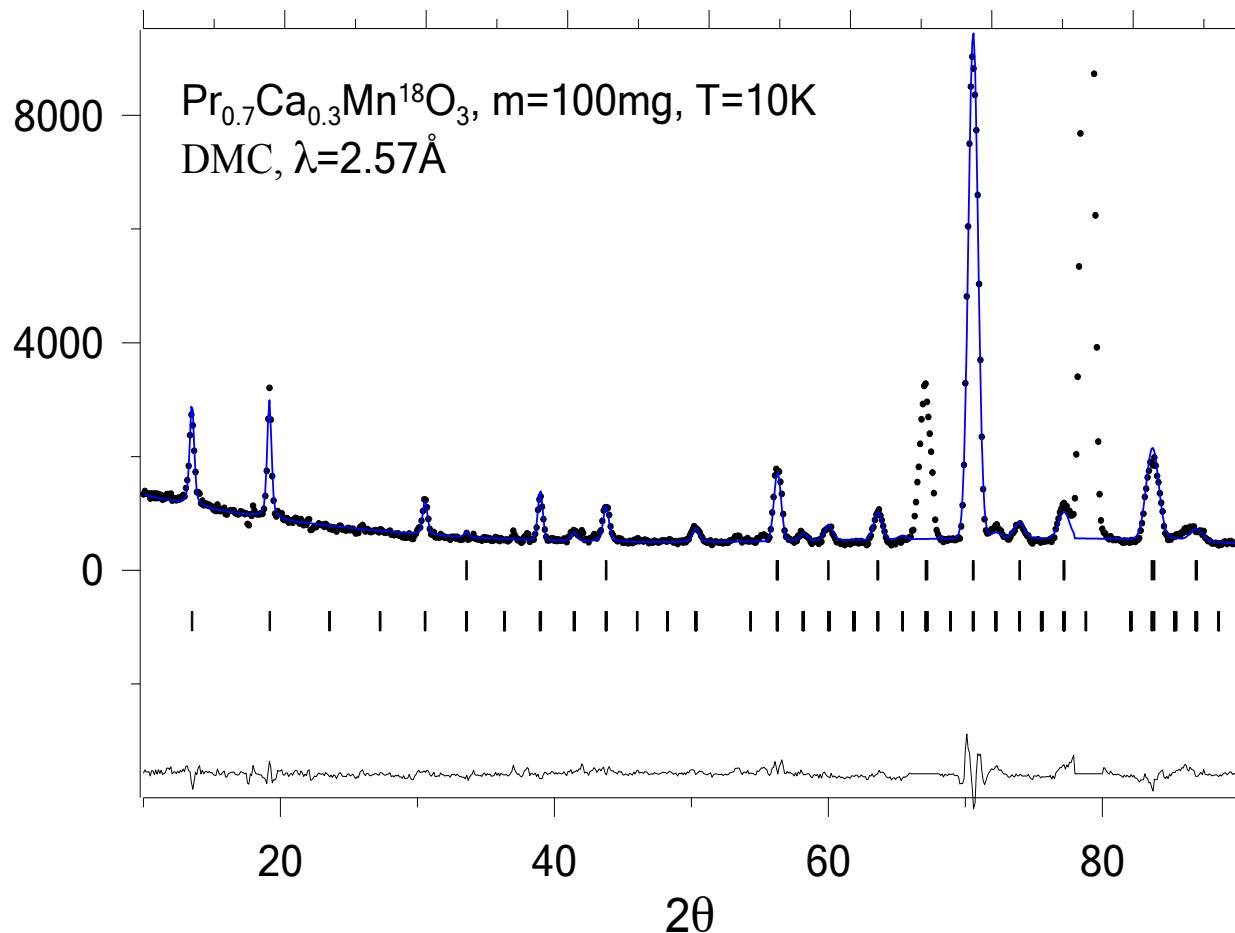
# Giant isotope effect in $(La_{1-y}Pr_y)_{0.7}Ca_{0.3}MnO_3$ : further studies

- Partial  $^{16}\text{O} \rightarrow ^{18}\text{O}$  isotope substitution in LPCM-75.
- $^{18}\text{O}$  isotope effect in the whole range of doping  $y=0.25 - 1.0$



**Giant isotope effect near MI-transition @  $y=0.8$**

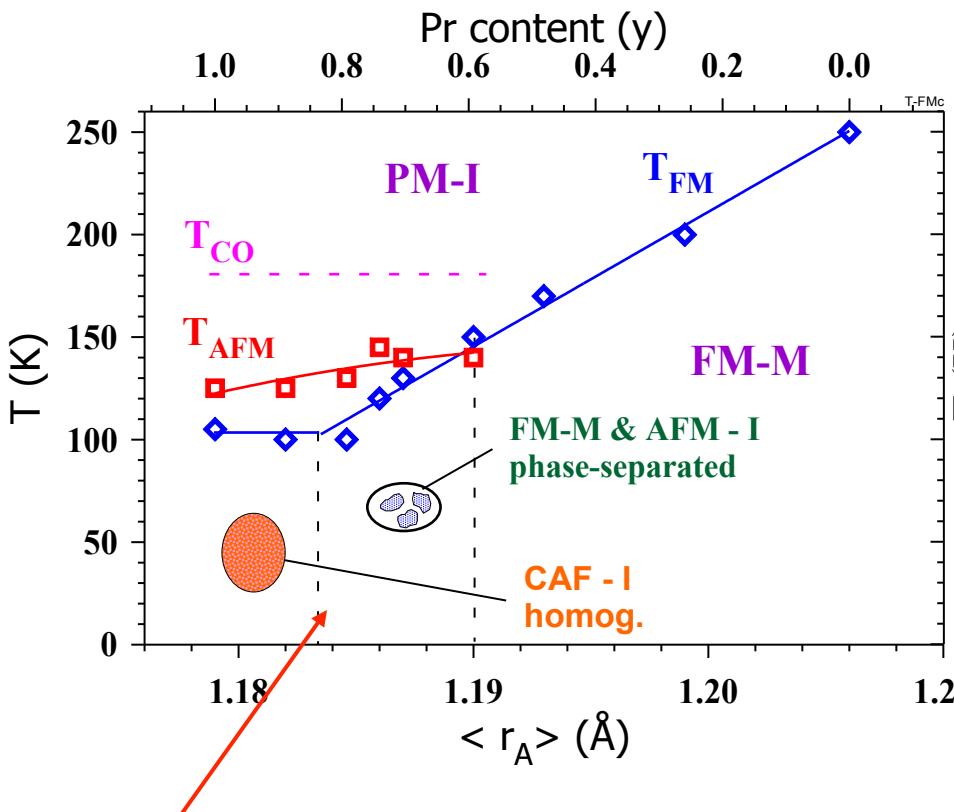
# DMC diffraction pattern. sample=100mg, time=6h



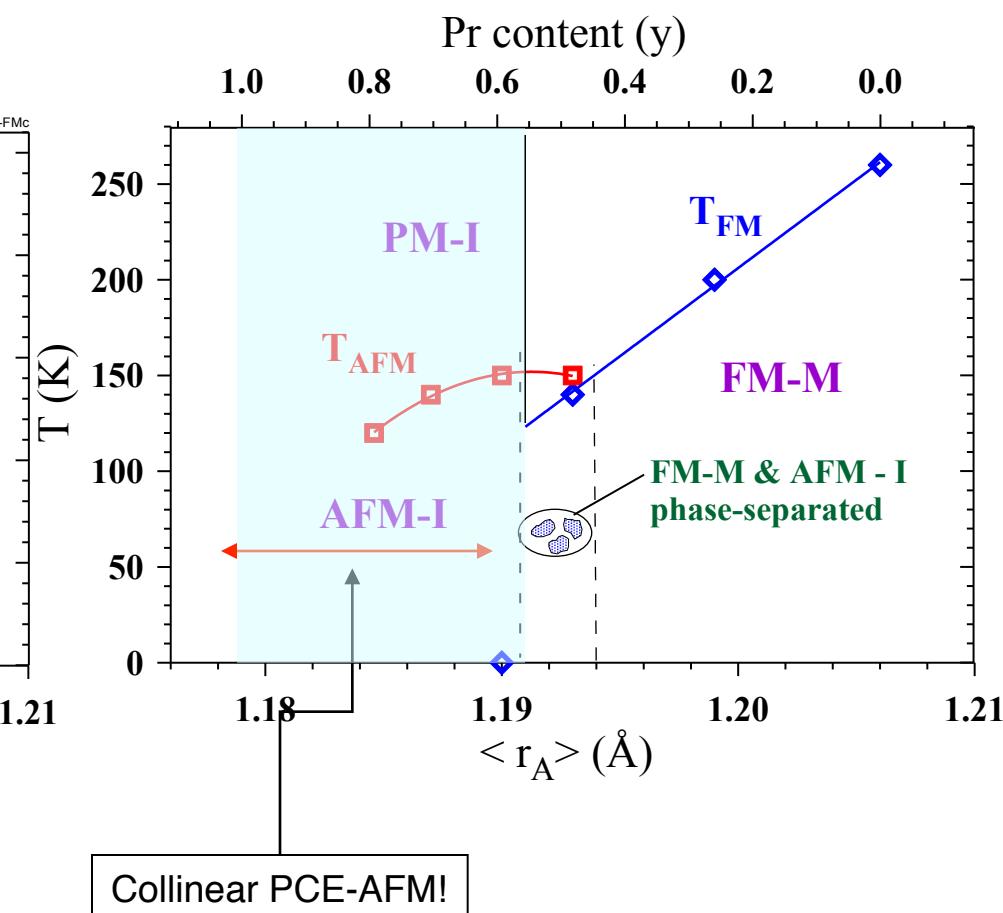
**Figure 1:** An example of the Rietveld refinement pattern and difference plot of neutron diffraction data (DMC/SINQ) for the <sup>18</sup>O-enriched sample of Pr<sub>0.7</sub>Ca<sub>0.3</sub>MnO<sub>3</sub>. The sample mass is about 100 mg. The rows of indexing show nuclear and magnetic phases respectively. Two peaks at  $2\theta \approx 66^\circ$  and  $79^\circ$  are from Al container, which was used to minimize the background.

# $(La_{1-y}Pr_y)_{0.7}Ca_{0.3}MnO_3$ phase diagrams

$O = ^{16}O$  (99.7%)

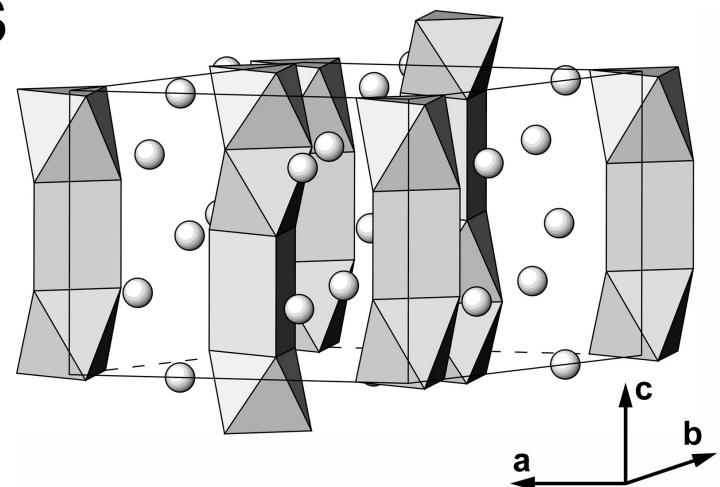


$O = ^{18}O$  (75%)

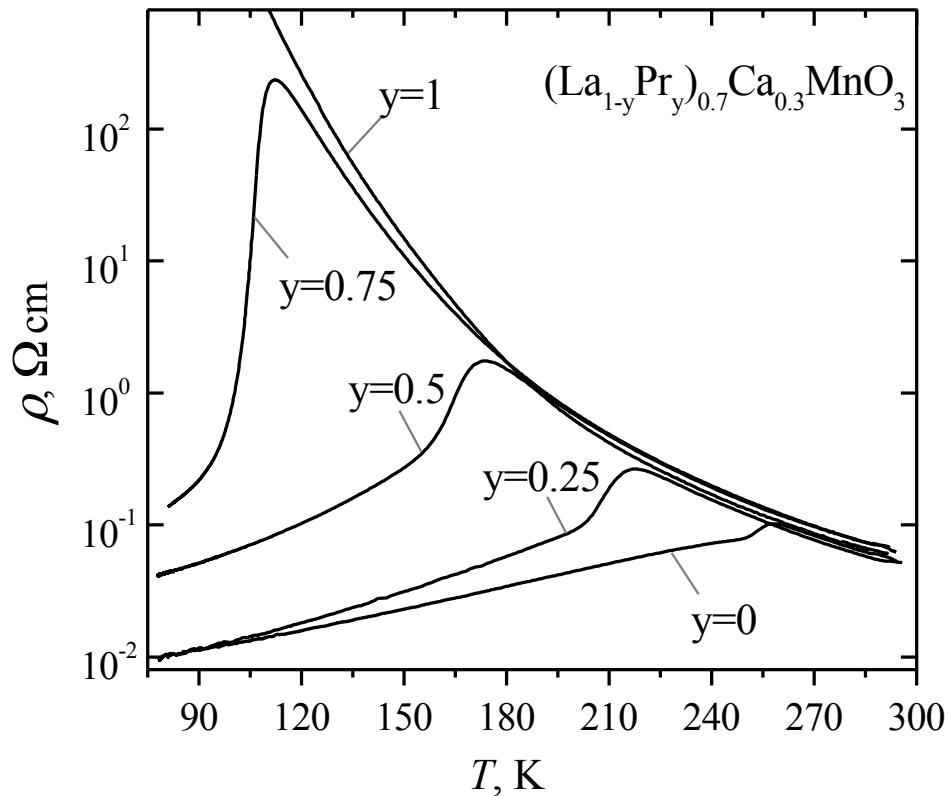


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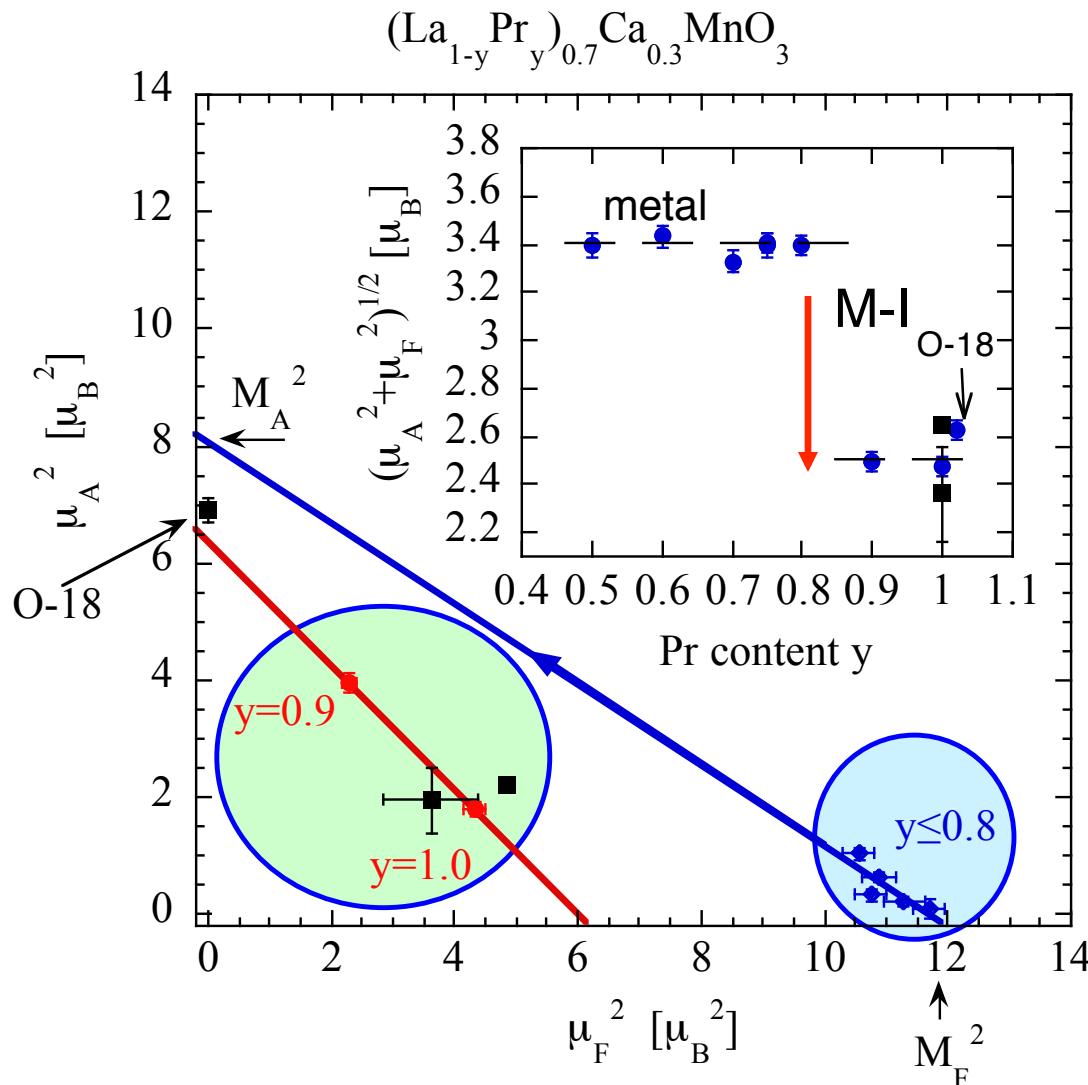
- Isotope effect both in LPCM and in new “giant isotope effect” manganites, e.g.  $\text{Sm}_{0.45}\text{Sr}_{0.55}\text{MnO}_3$  and  $\text{Sm}_{0.50}\text{Sr}_{0.50}\text{MnO}_3$  --- the Curie temperature ( $T_C=130\text{K}$ ) is decreased by 20K and >100K, respectively
- Layered manganites - brownmillerites with intermediate/mixed Mn valence, fluorination
- New hexagonal manganites  
 $\text{Sr}_{4/3}(\text{Mn},\text{Cu})\text{O}_3$   
(collab. with Antipov et al)



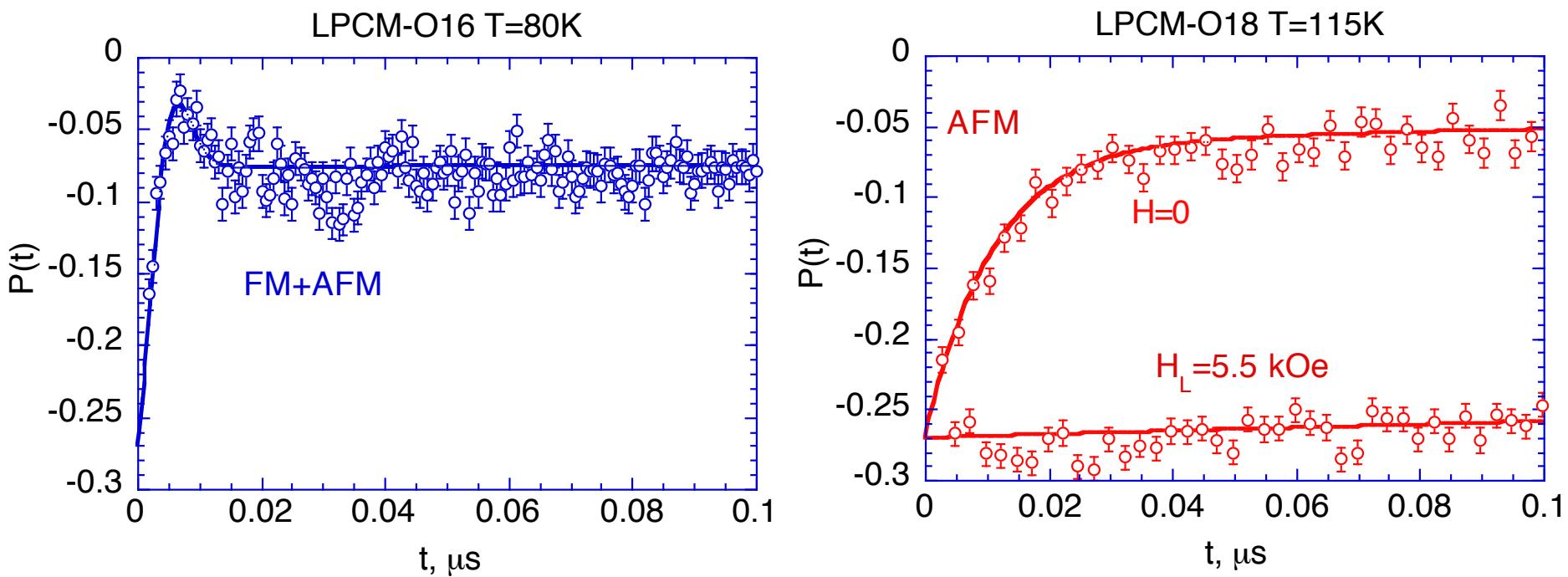
# M-I transition in $(La_{1-y}Pr_y)_{0.7}Ca_{0.3}MnO_3$



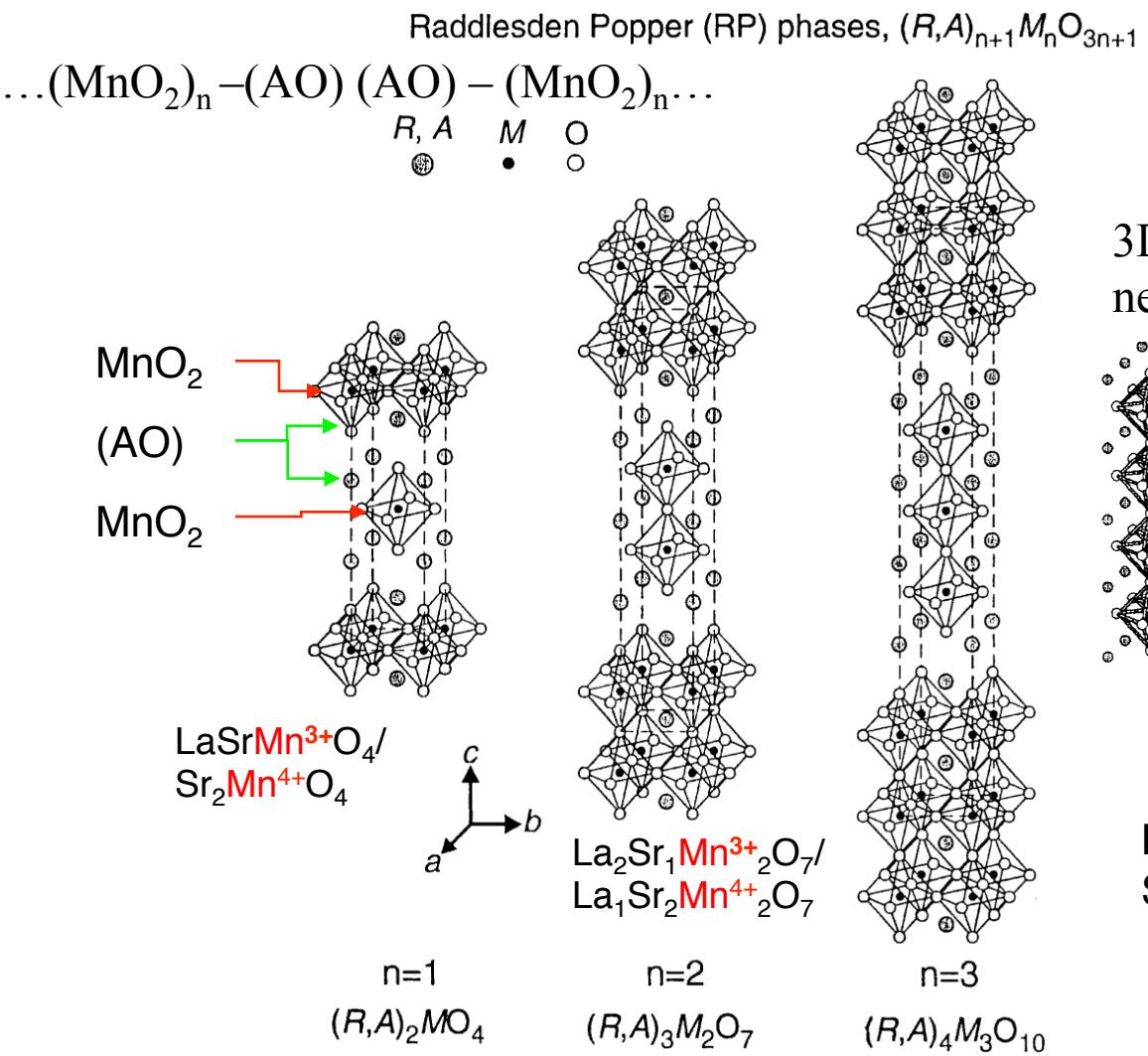
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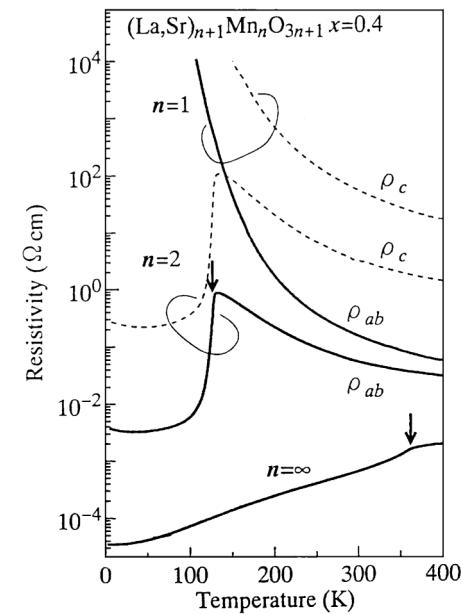
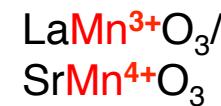
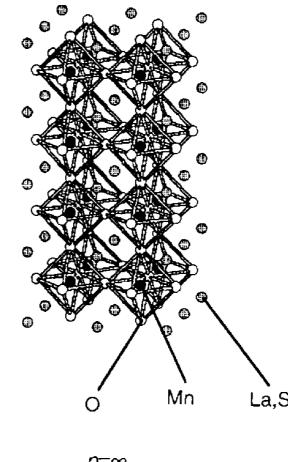
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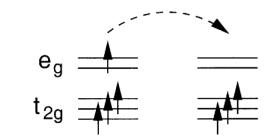
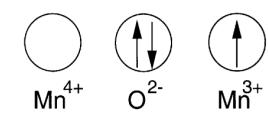
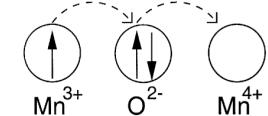
# Why $A_2MnGaO_{5+x}$ ( $A=$ Sr, Ca)? Manganese oxides with possible CMR



3D Mn-O network

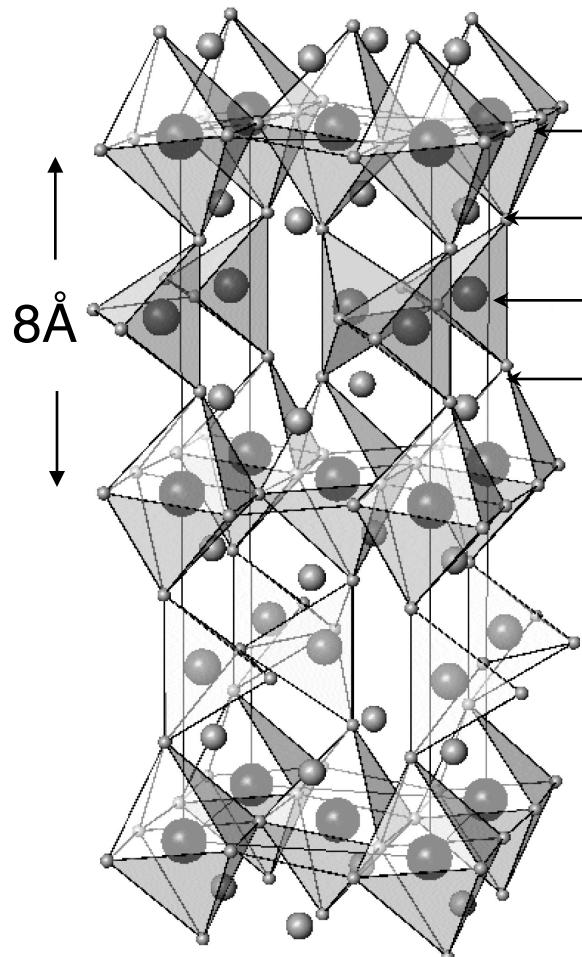


double-exchange

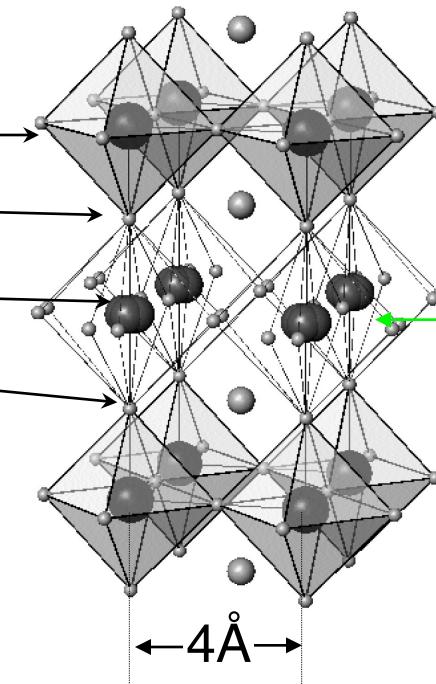


# Three buffer (AO) layers: brownmillerite structures of $A_2MnGaO_{5+x}$ ( $A=$ Sr, Ca)

$x=0, Mn^{3+}$   
 $Pnma, Ima2, Imcm$



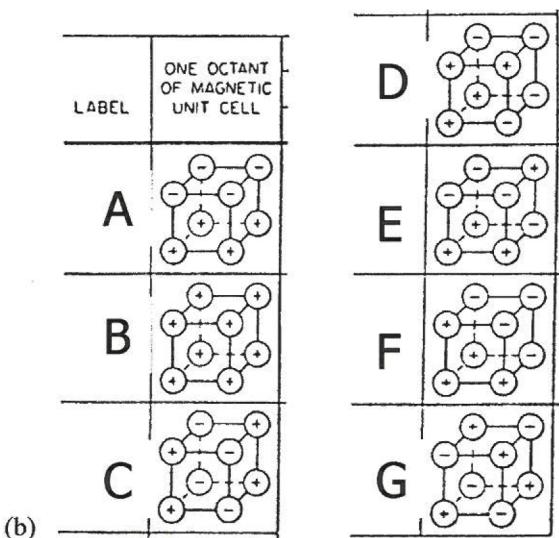
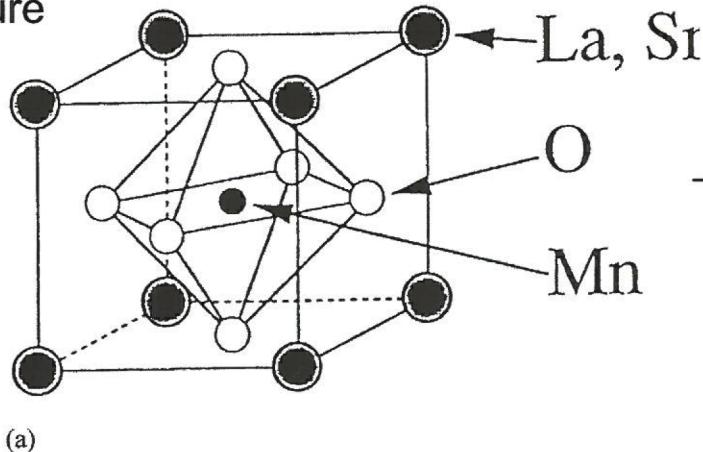
$x=0.5, Mn^{4+}$   
 $P4/mmm, \dots$



*Brownmillerite type of crystal structure*

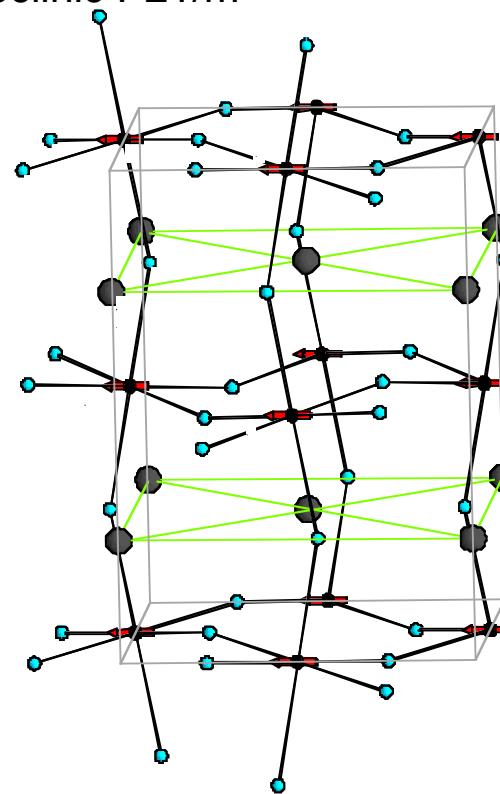
# Classification of magnetic structures in manganites

pseudo-perovskite (cubic) crystal structure

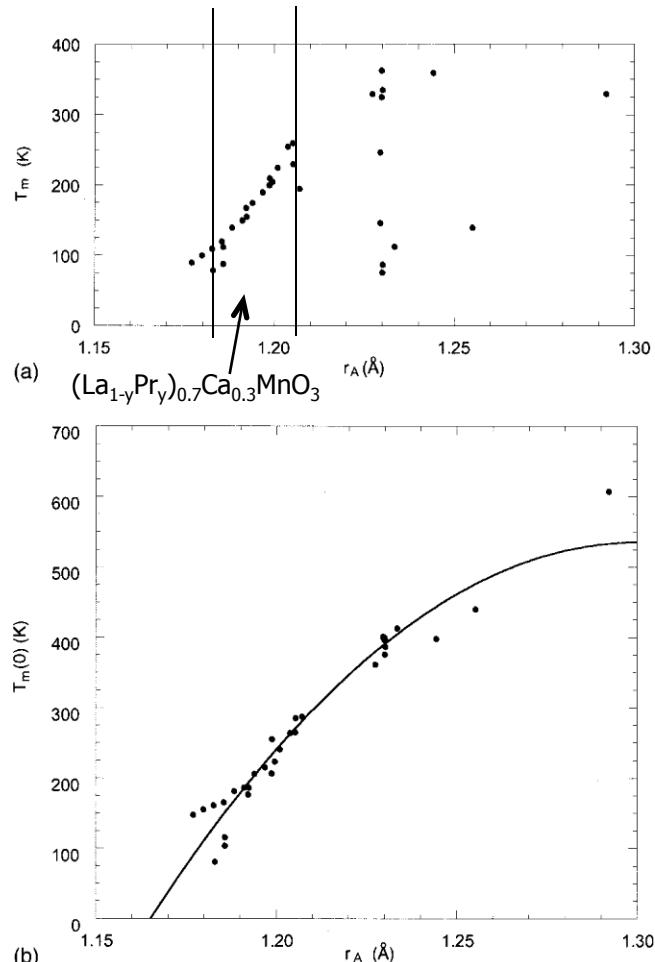


distortion/tilting of  $\text{MnO}_6$  octahedra

- Orthorhombic (e.g Pnma)
- Rombohedral (R-3c)
- Monoclinic P21/m

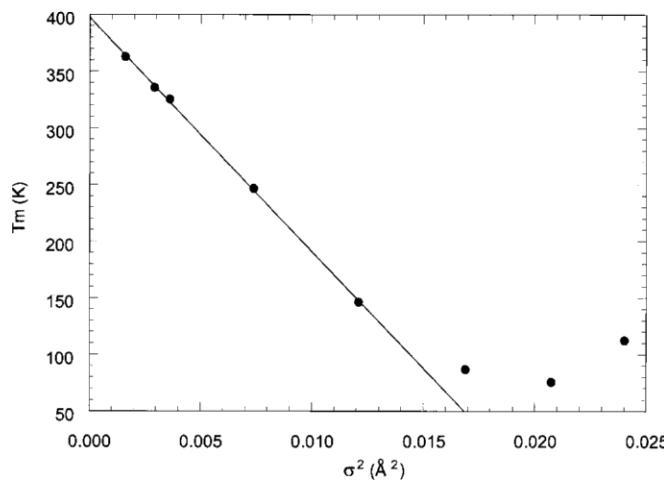


# Cation disorder effects in CMR perovskites

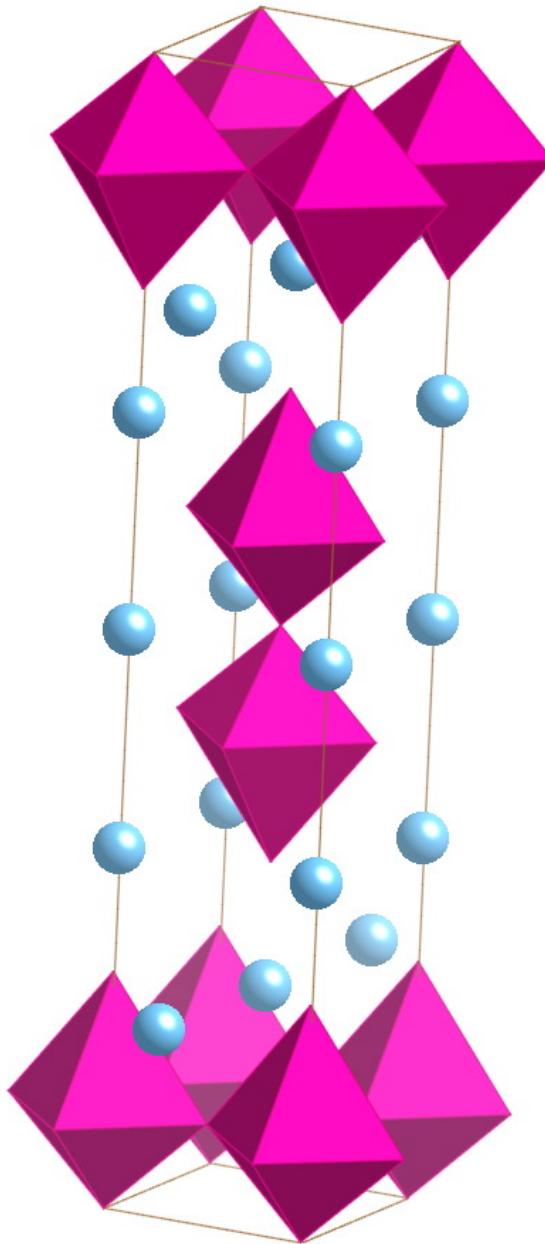
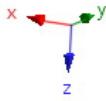
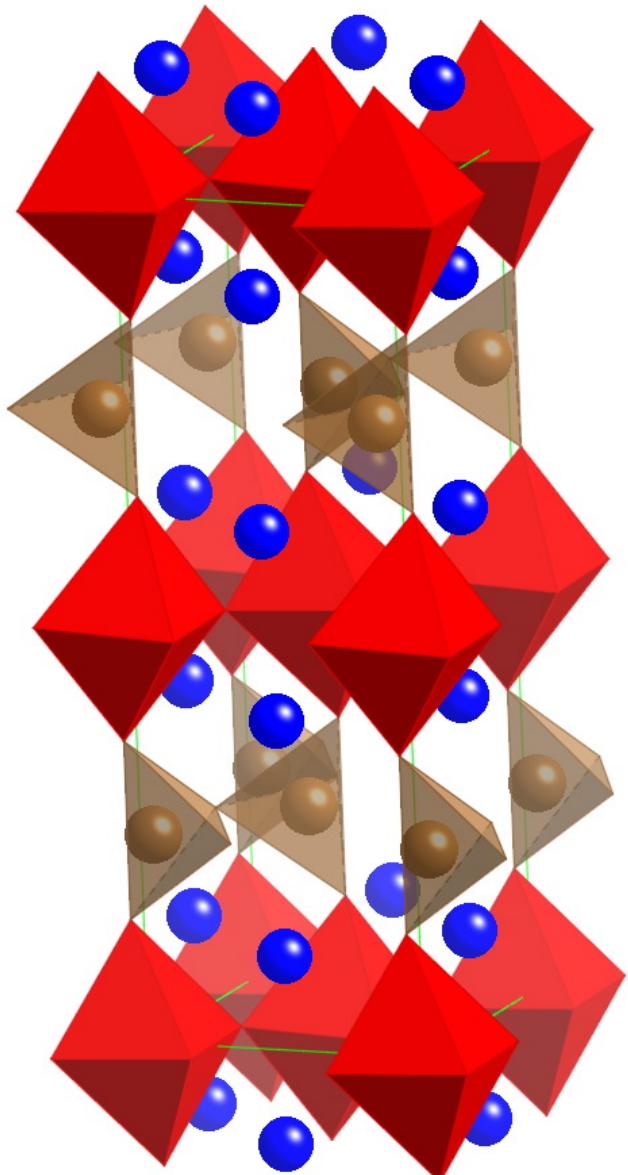


**Effect of disorder due to size differences between A-cations in  $A_{0.7}A'_{0.3}MnO_3$  ( $A=La, Pr, Nd, Sm; A'=Ca, Sr, Ba$ ):**

- for  $\langle r_A \rangle < 1.22\text{\AA}$   $T_c$  does not depend on  $\sigma$
- for  $\langle r_A \rangle > 1.22\text{\AA}$   $\Delta T_c \sim \sigma^2 \text{ K} / \Delta S_m$ . Disorder acts as preformed JT distortion promoting localization of  $e_g$ -electron



From L.Rodriguez-Martinez and P.Attfield, PRB  
1996



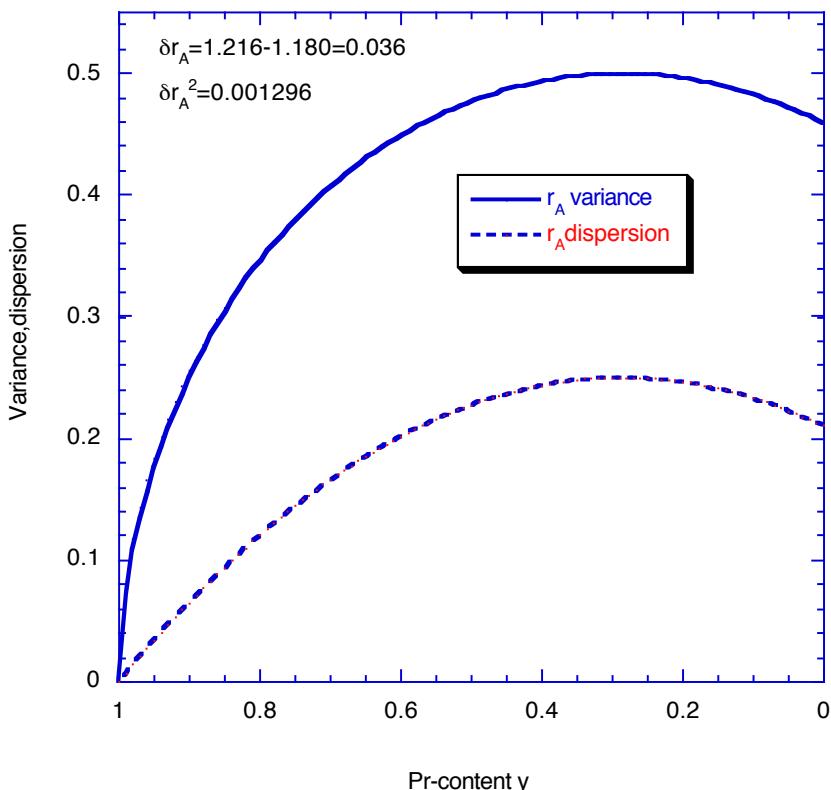
# Energy scales in manganites

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1. On site Coulomb  $U_0=3.5\text{eV}$ ,  $5.2\text{eV}$  in  $(\text{La,Ca})\text{MnO}_3$ .  $\Delta=3\text{eV}$  ( $\text{CaMnO}_3$ )
2.  $J_H=2\text{ eV}$
3.  $10Dq=1-2\text{ eV}$
4.  $t=0.2-0.5\text{ eV}$
5.  $E_{JT}=0.25\text{ eV}$
6.  $J_{AF}=0.1t$ ;  $J_{AF}\sim t_\pi^2/U$
7. Intersite Coulomb  $U_1=0.3\text{eV}$

# $r_A$ dispersion in $(La_{1-y}Pr_y)_{0.7}Ca_{0.3}MnO_3$

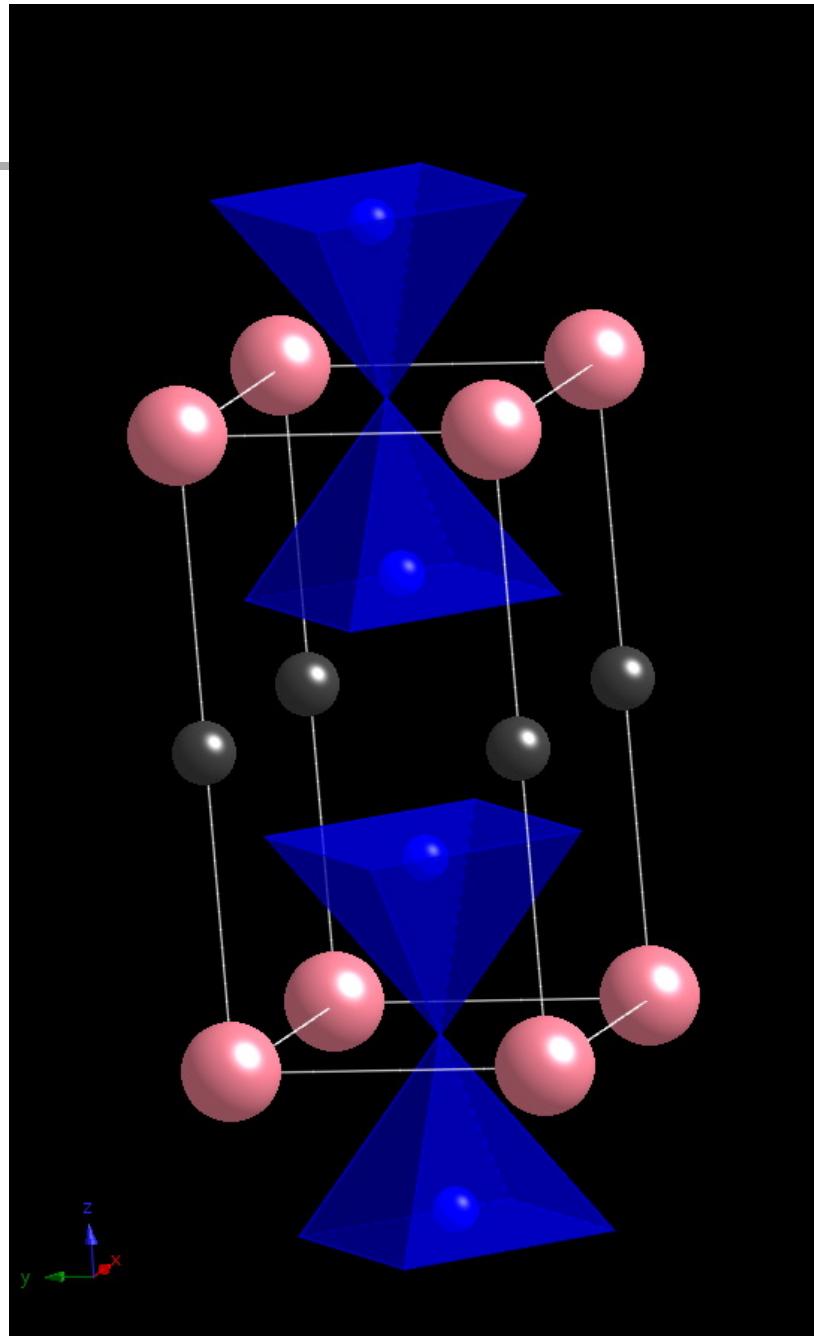
Reduced variance  $\sigma/\delta r_A$  vs. Pr concentration  $y$



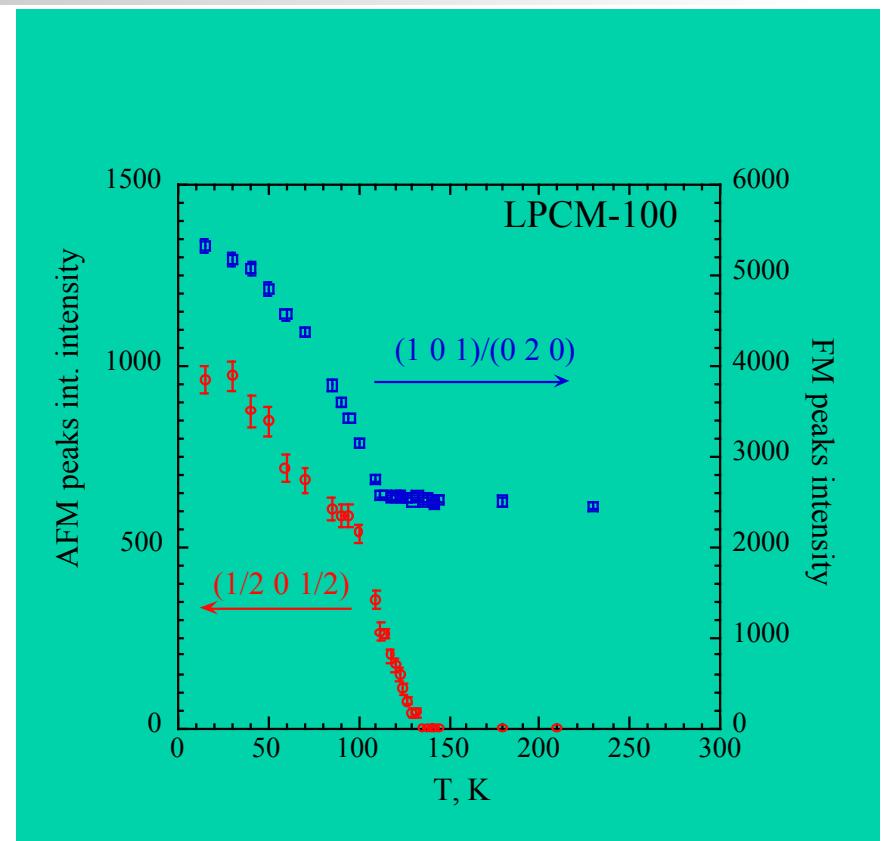
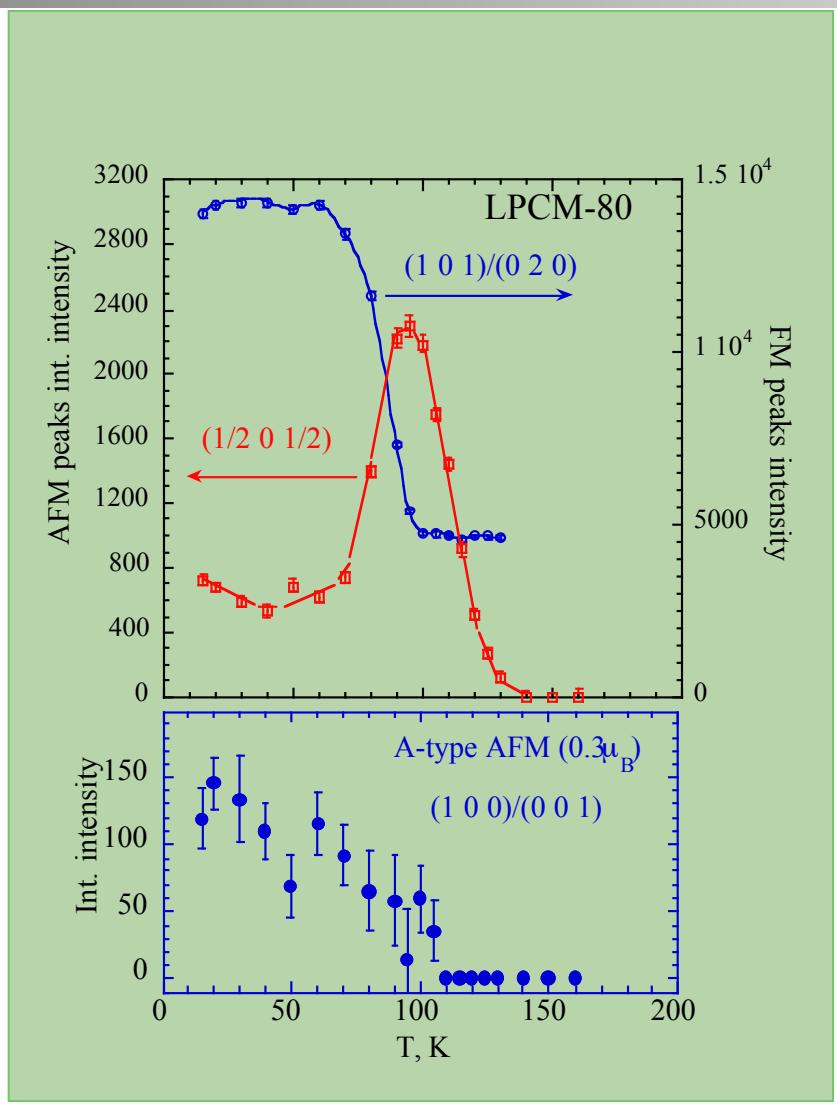
$$\sigma = \delta r_A [0.7(1-y)(0.3+0.7y)]^{1/2}$$

$$\delta r_A = r(\text{Pr}) - r(\text{La}), r(\text{Ca}) = r(\text{Pr})$$

$$\text{Maximal } \sigma^2 = 0.00032 \text{ \AA}^2$$



# $I(T)$ in LPCM

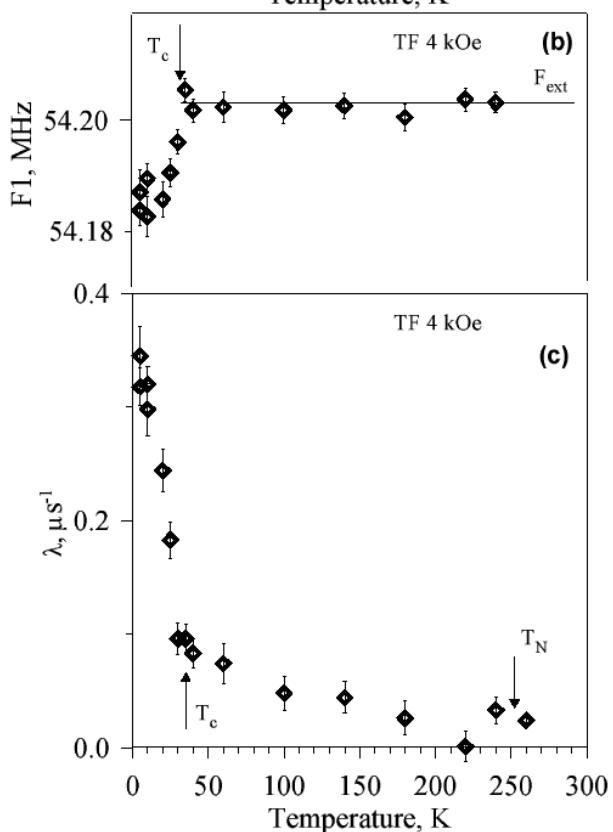
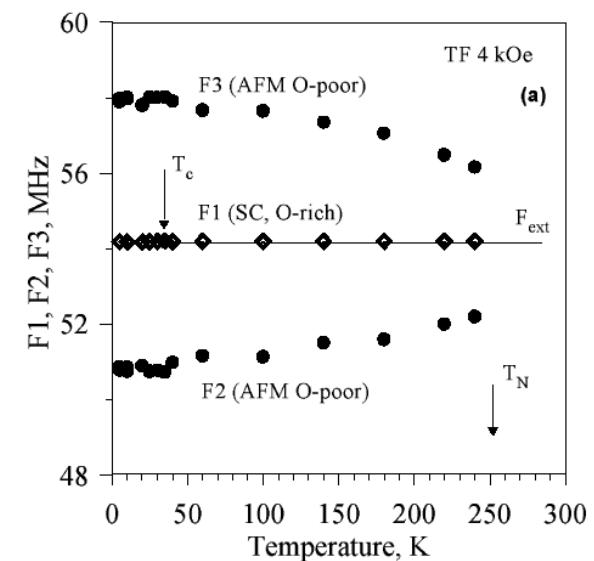
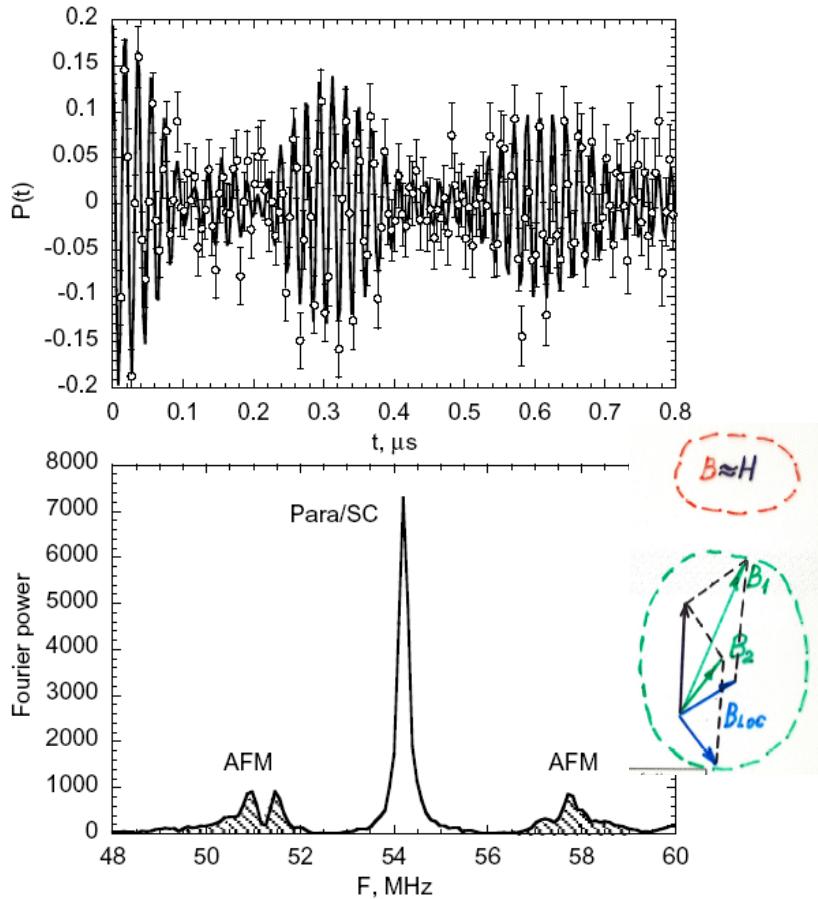


# Essential physics of manganites

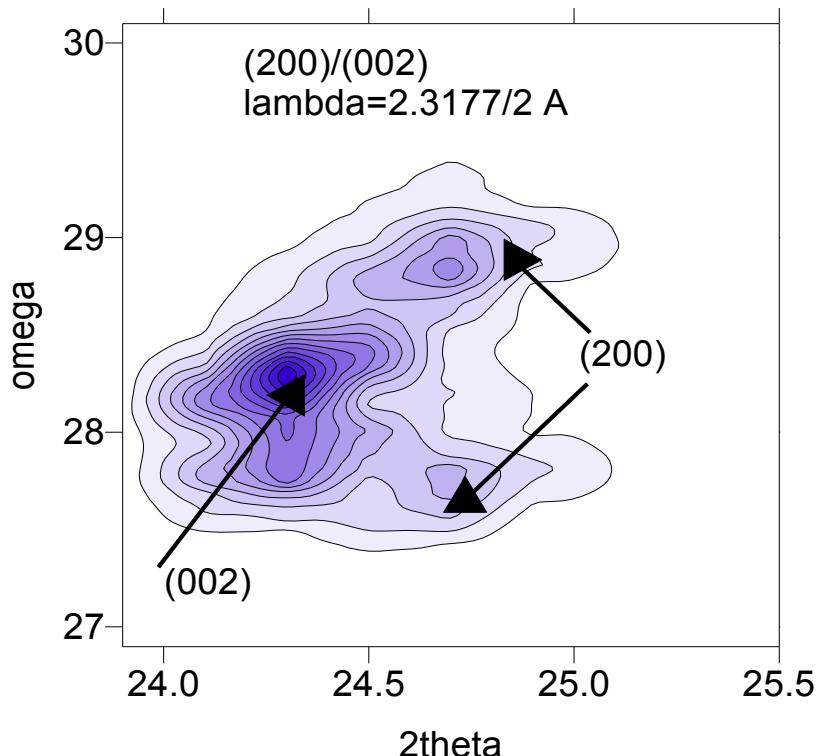
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1. Octahedral coordination. Crystal field splitting scheme
2. Spin state is from balance between  $10Dq$  and on atom exchange
3. J/T distortion of  $Mn^{3+}O_6$ .  $e_g$ -level splitting.
4. CO  $Mn^{3+}/Mn^{4+}$  state
5. AFM SE Mn-O-Mn:
6. FMM delocalized state for  $Mn^{3+x}$ . Double exchange.
7. Strong electron-lattice coupling due to (anti)J/T polarons
8. Competition between FMM and AFMI/CO gives macroscopic phase separation, metastable states.

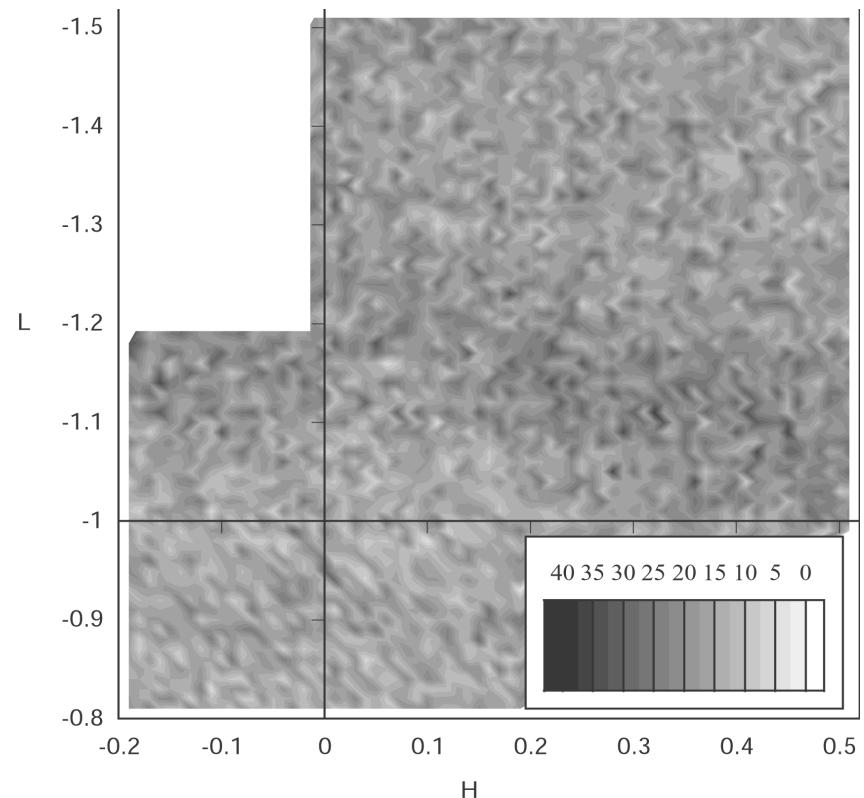
# muSR



# Absence of AFM in LOM LCO.



**Fig. 1:**  $2\theta-\omega$  scan in (ac) plane around (200) at  $T=1.5K$  making use  $\lambda/2$  contamination. The twin domain structure is in excellent accordance with our previous X-ray and neutron diffraction data [6].



**Fig. 3:** Two-dimensional scan of the reciprocal lattice plane ( $a^*c$ ) around  $(0,0,-1)$  measured with  $\lambda=2.3177\text{ \AA}$ ,  $\Delta h=\Delta k=0.01$ . Neutron monitor 100'000/point.