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Motivation (Magnetism in TM doped oxides)

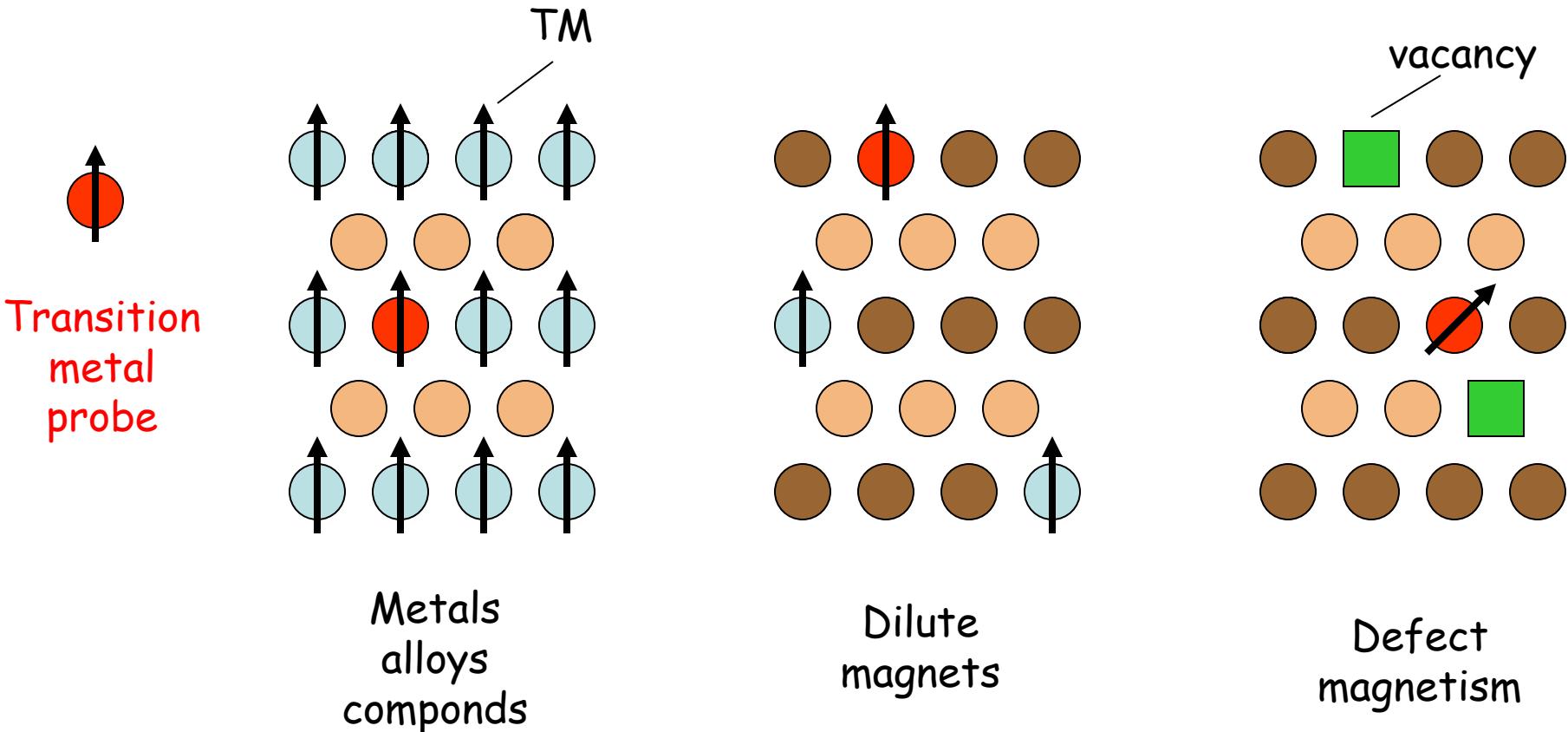
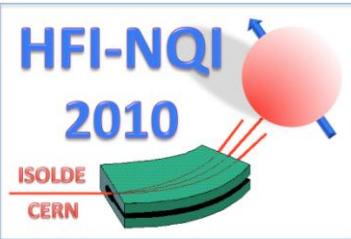
Physical/technical introduction (CERN Mössbauer)

Experimental spectra Mn/Fe in ZnO and others

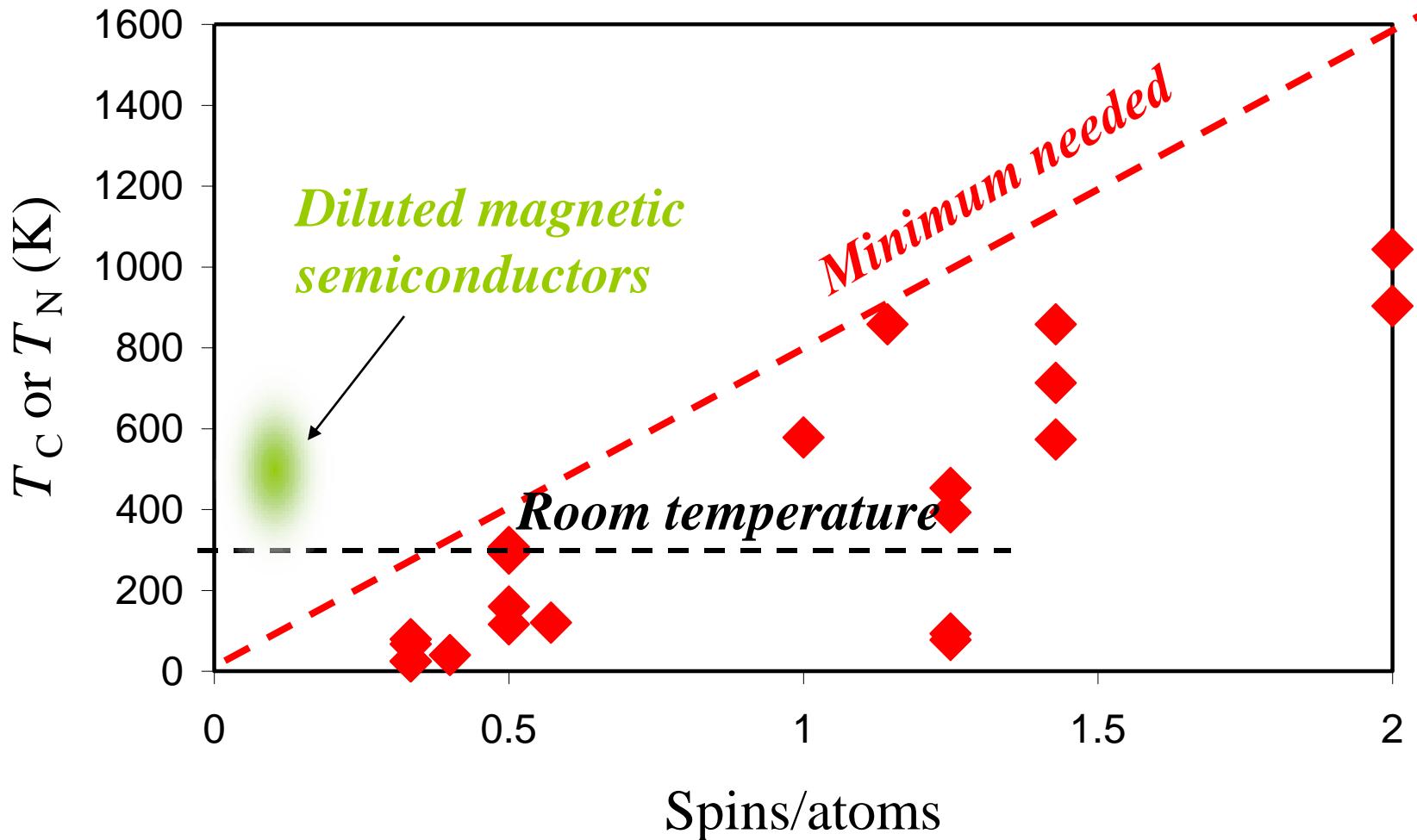
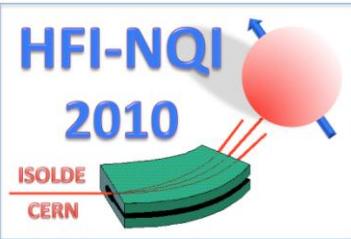
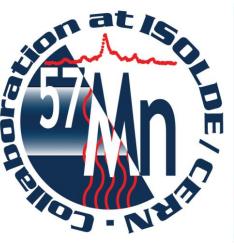
Ordered Magnetism versus Paramagnetism

Conclusion

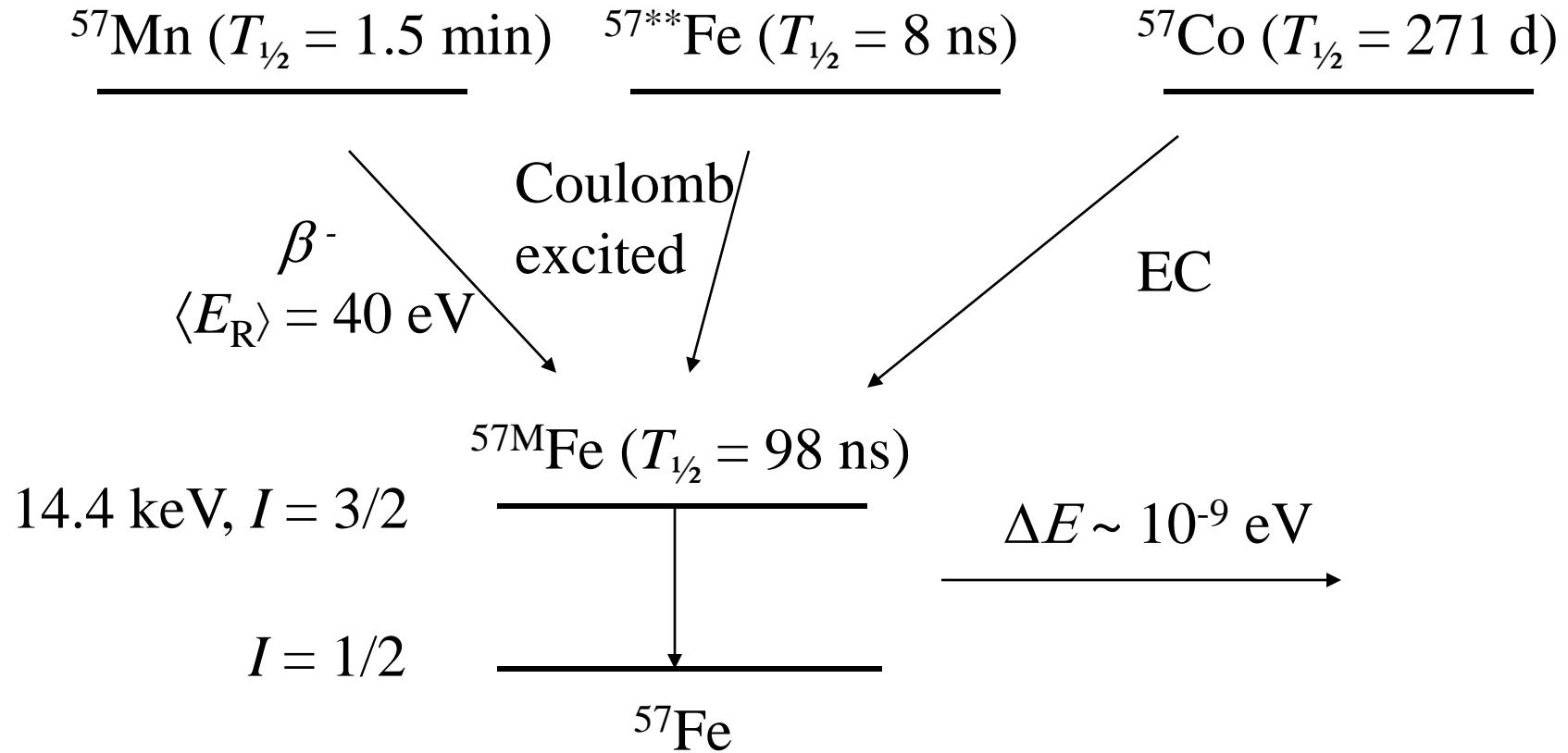
# Magnetic inventory



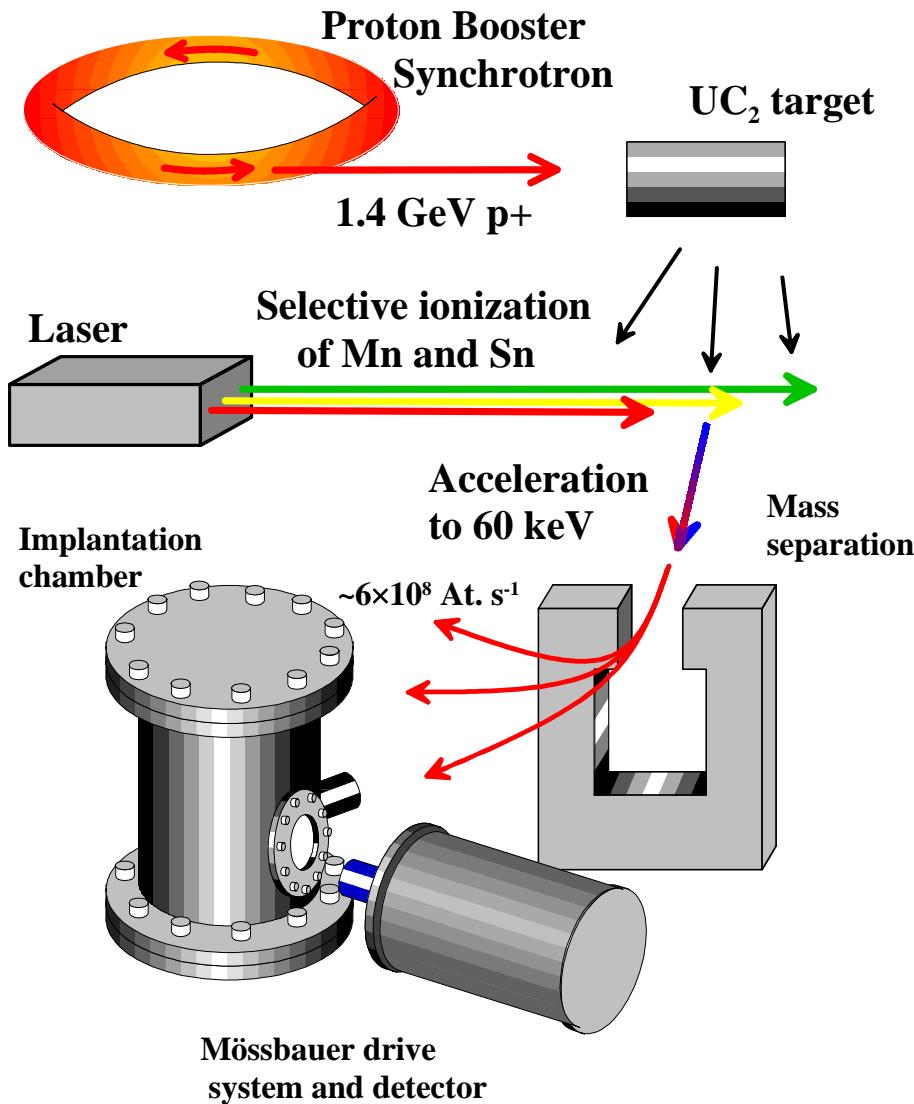
# Ferromagnetism



# $^{57}\text{Fe}$ emission Mössbauer spectroscopy



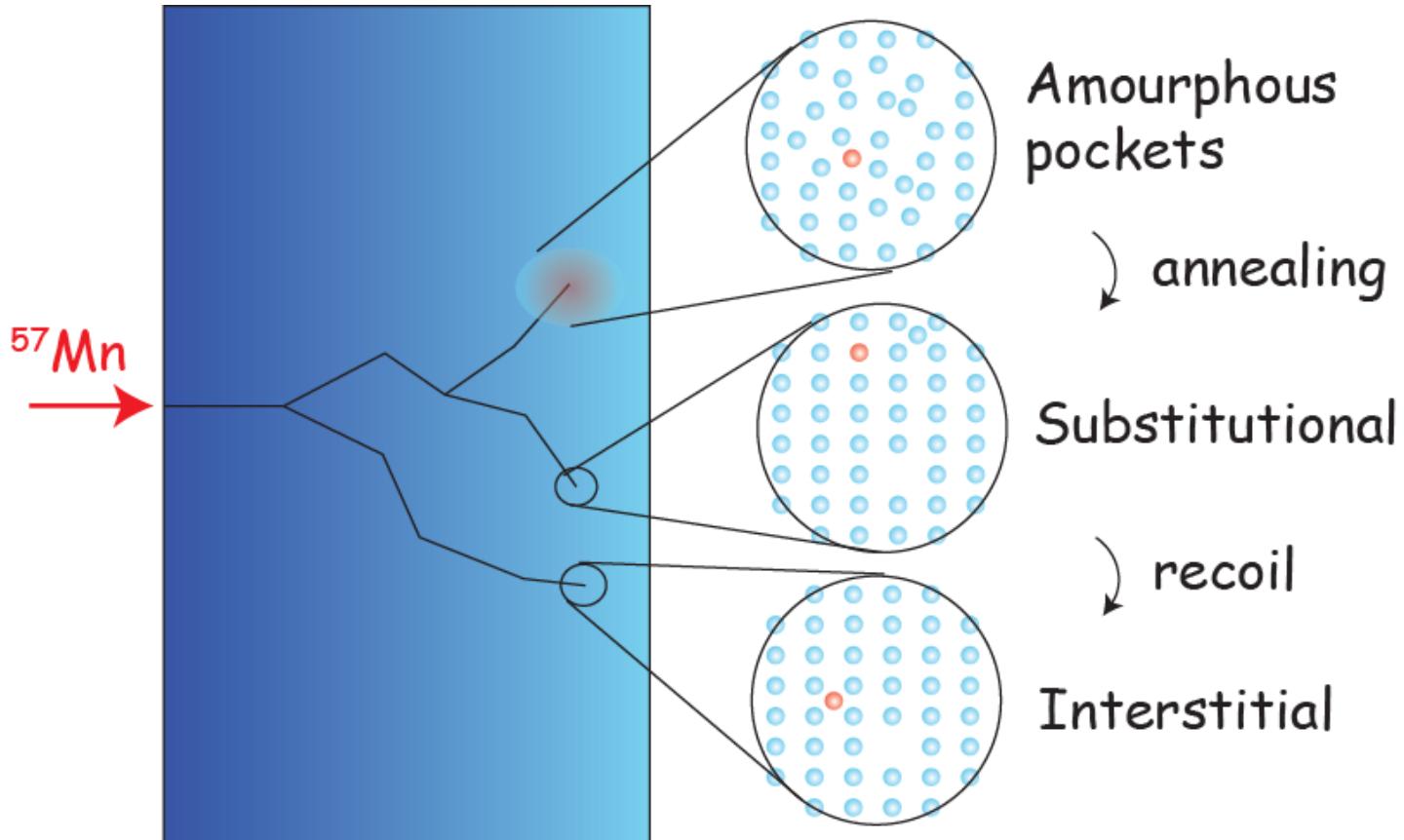
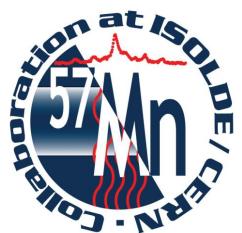
# Mössbauer spectroscopy at ISOLDE/CERN



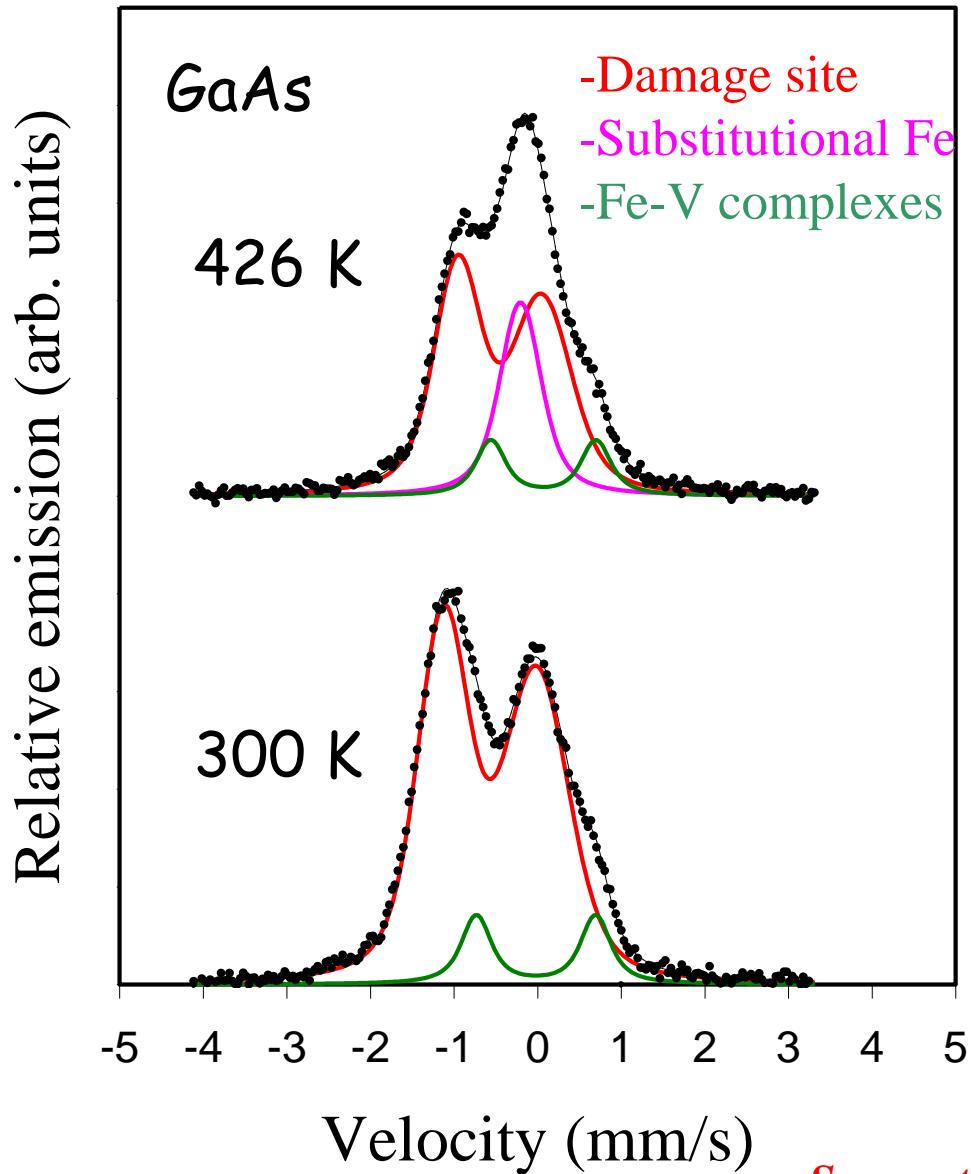
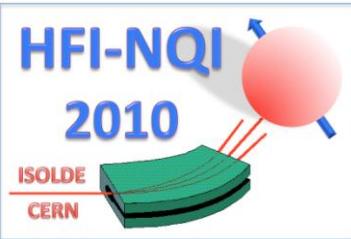
## Highlights:

- Low concentrations of probe atoms ( $\sim 10^{-4}$  At.%)
- Valence state of Fe
- Site symmetry
- Magnetic interactions

# Implantation of $^{57}\text{Mn}$

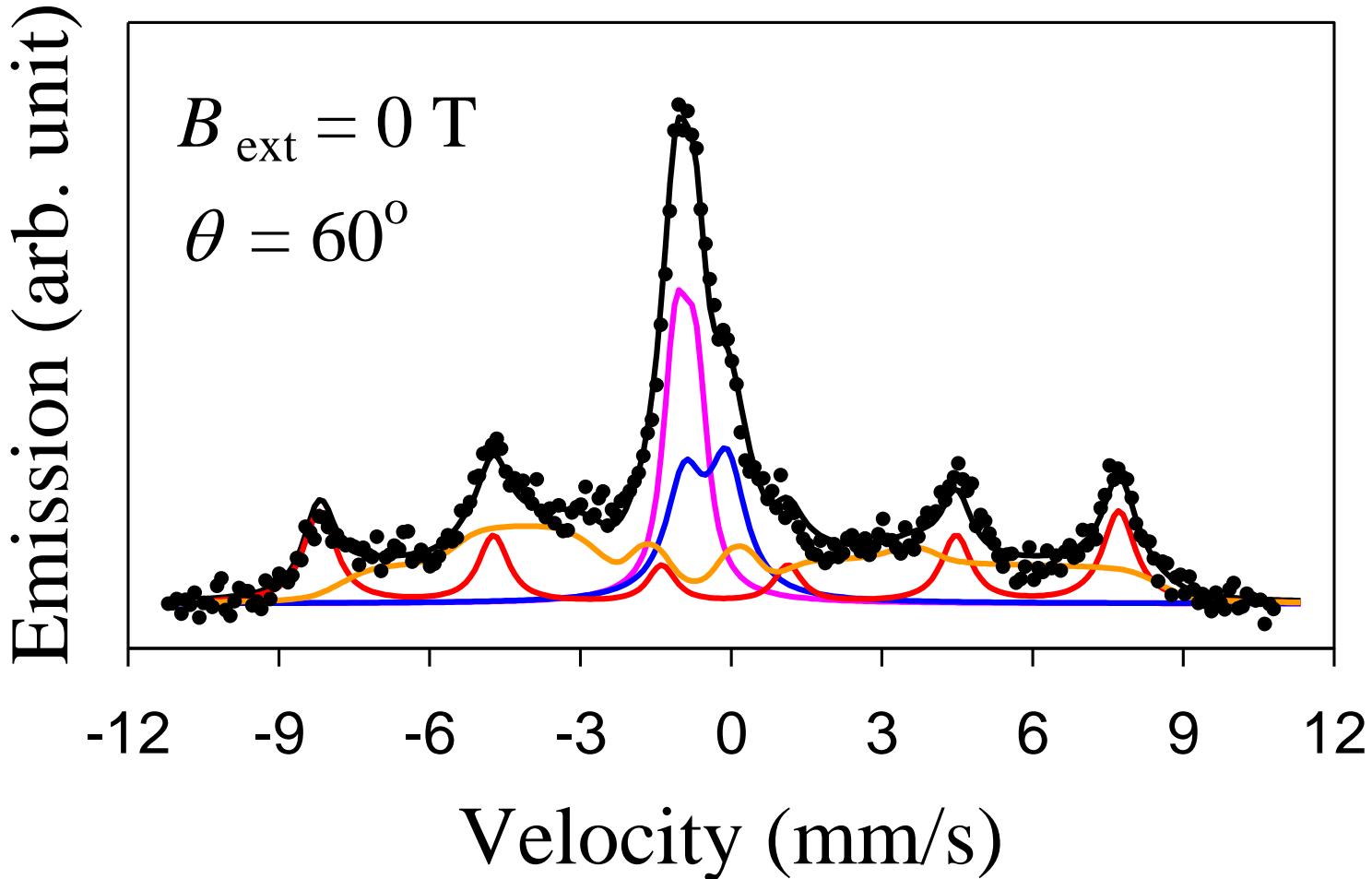


# III-V semiconductors

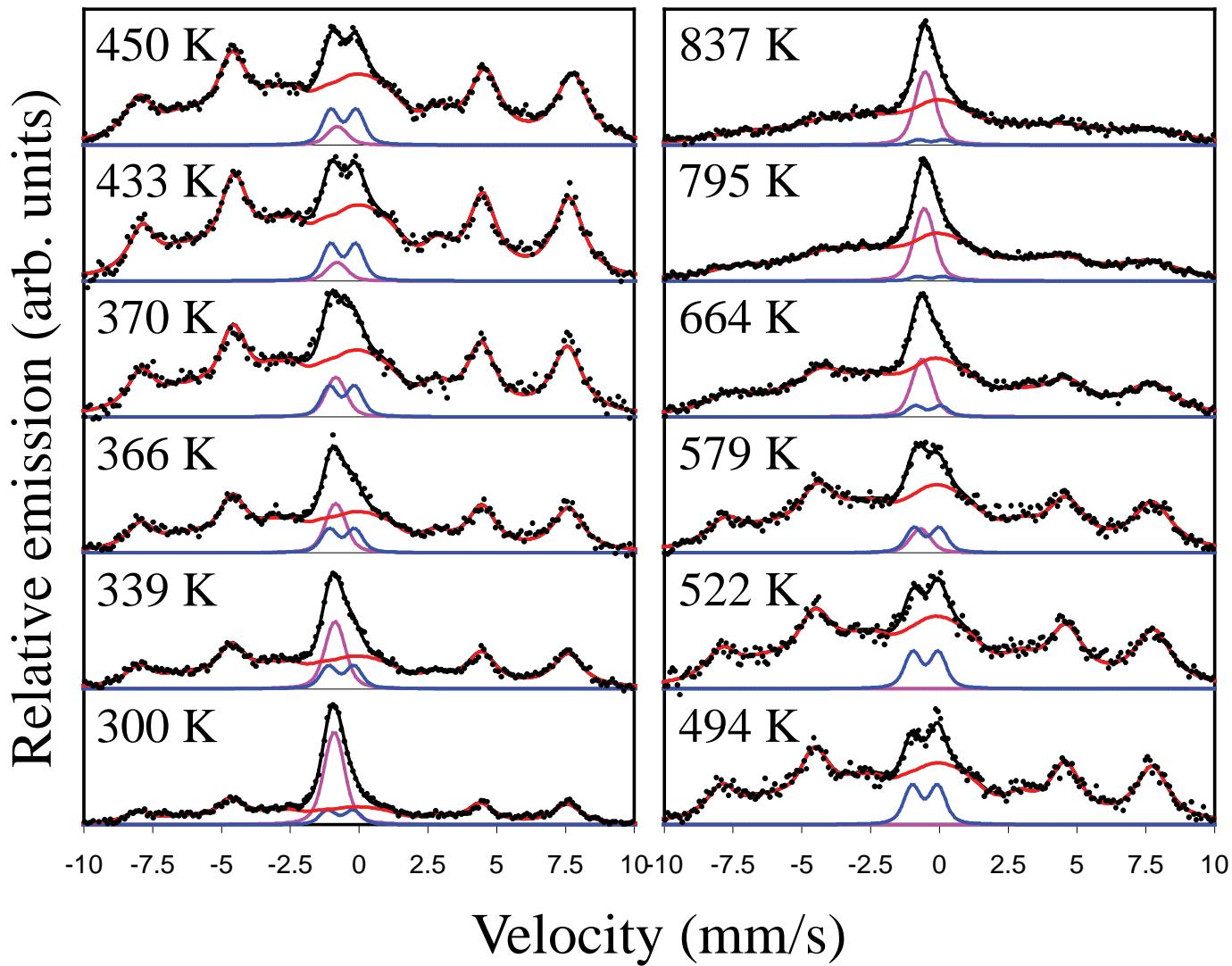


No 6-line magnetic pattern!

# ZnO without external magnetic field

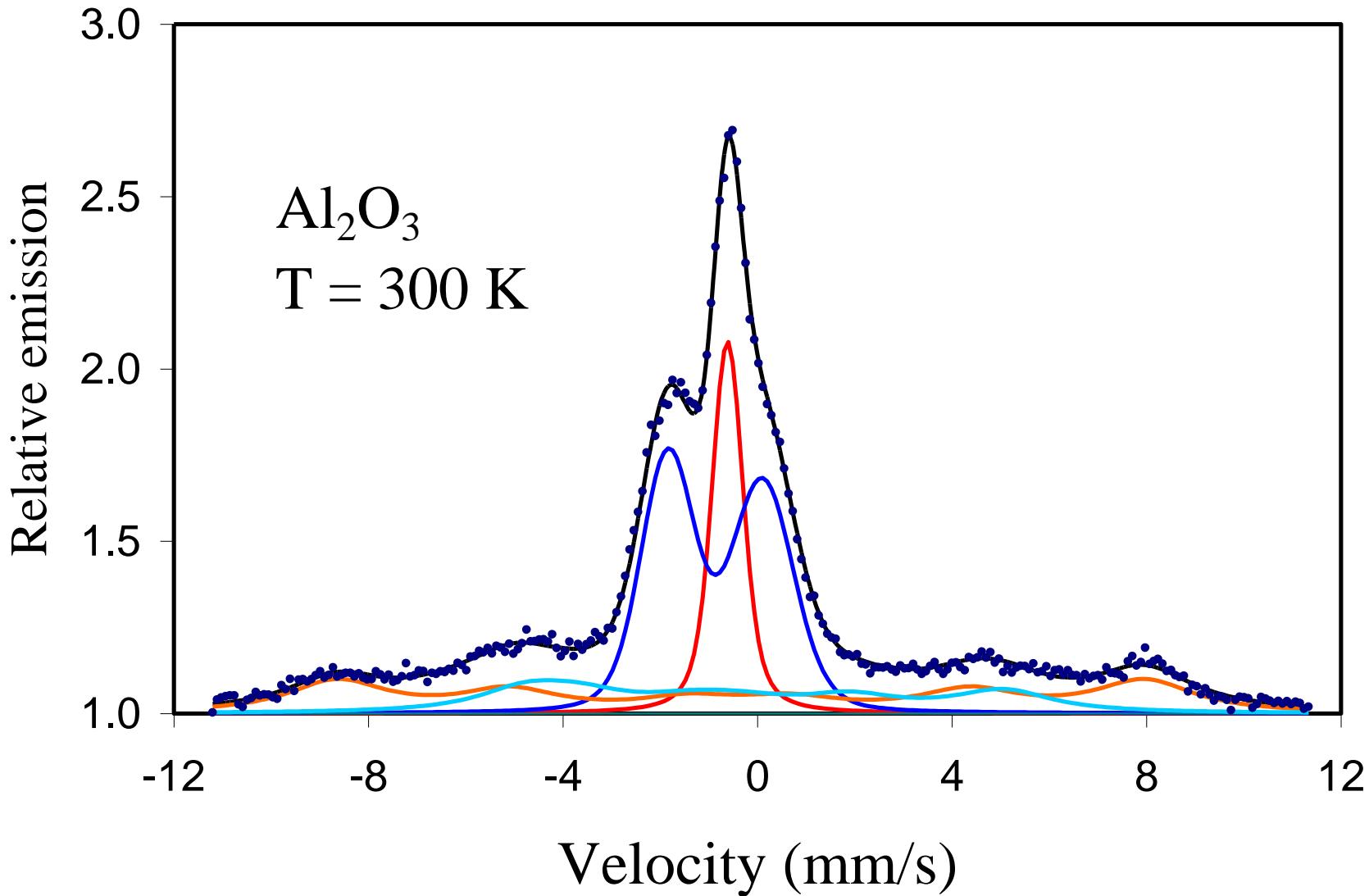


# ZnO temperature series



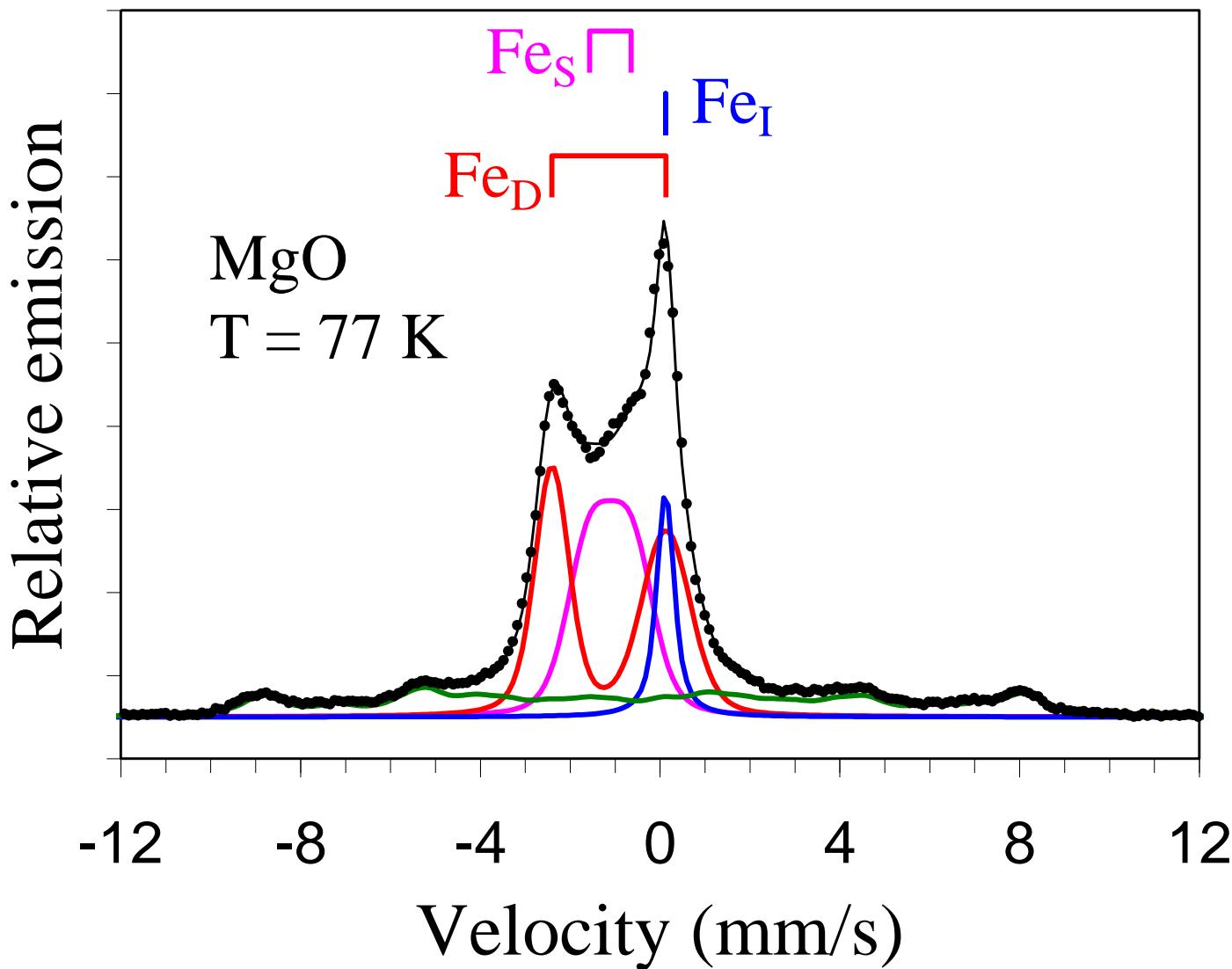
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# Other oxides:



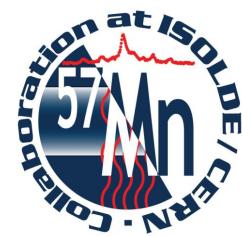
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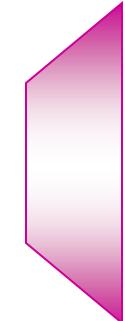
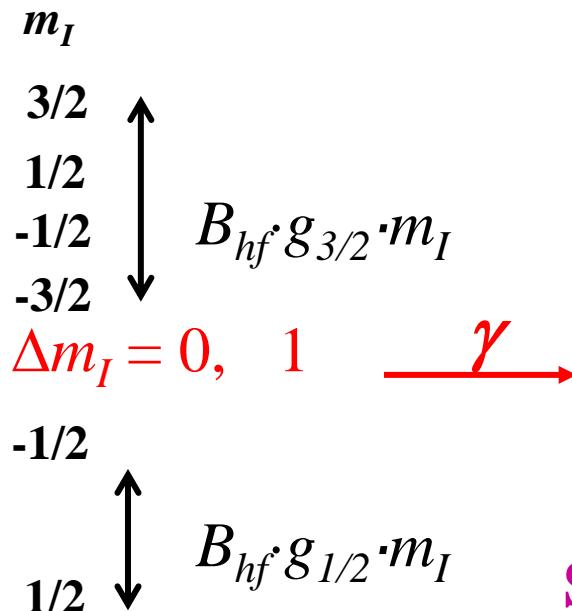
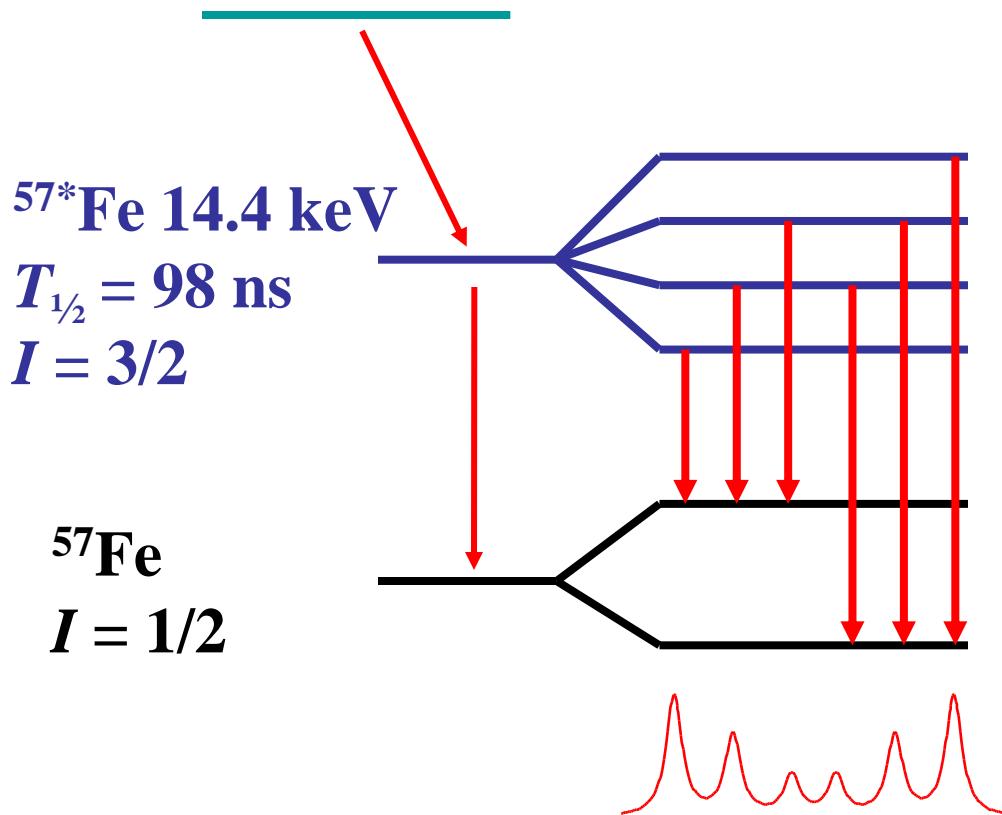
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# Mössbauer spectroscopy of magnetic materials



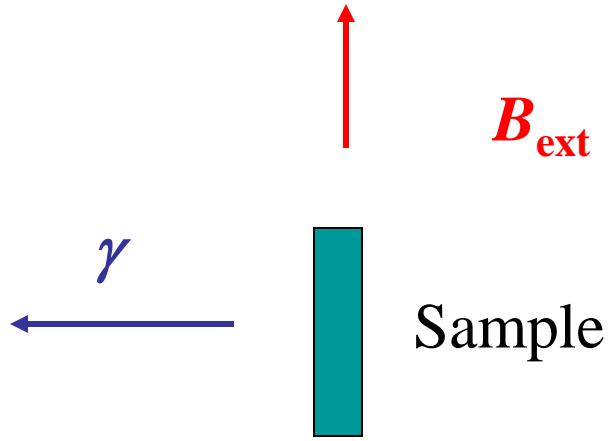
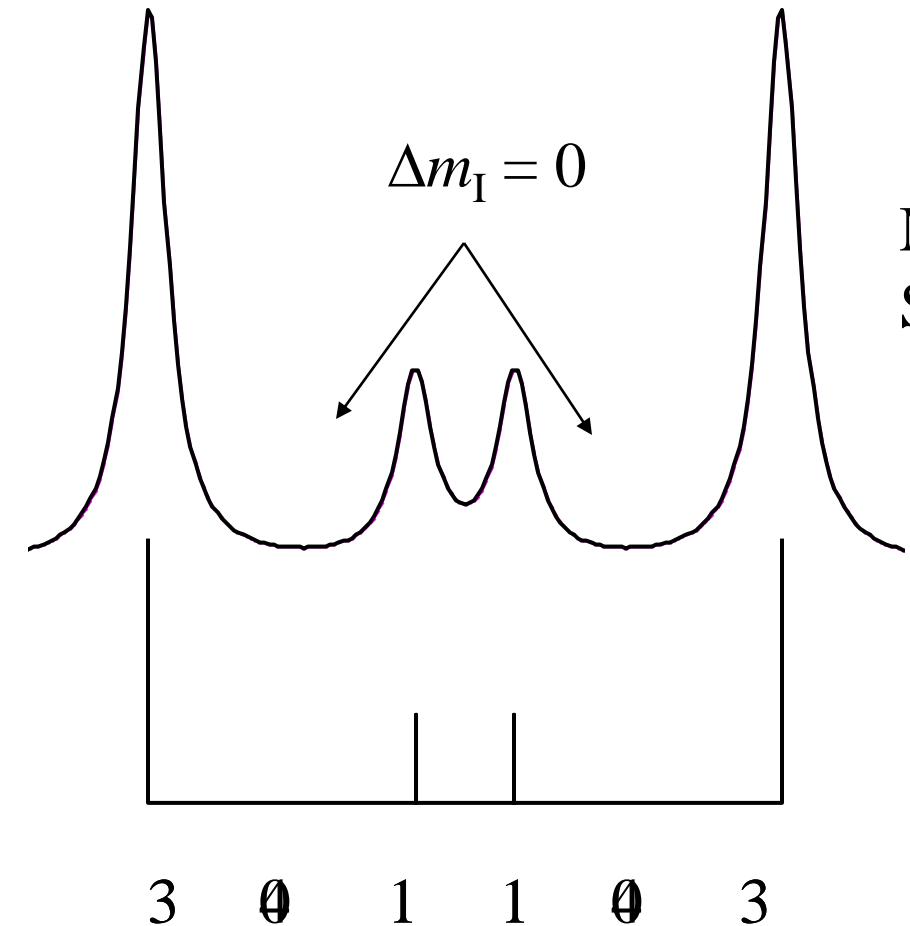
$$\hat{H} = -\mu \mathbf{B} = -g_N \beta_N \hat{I} \cdot \mathbf{B}$$

$^{57}\text{Mn}$  ( $T_{1/2} = 1.5$  min)



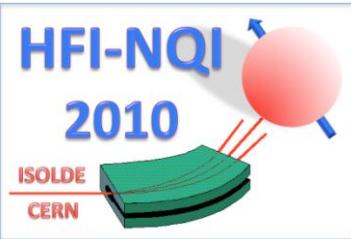
Single line  
resonance  
detector

# Ferromagnetism ( $S = 5/2$ good quantum number)



Individual line ratios depend on the angle between  $B_{\text{ext}}$  and  $\gamma$

# Temperature dependent magnetic order

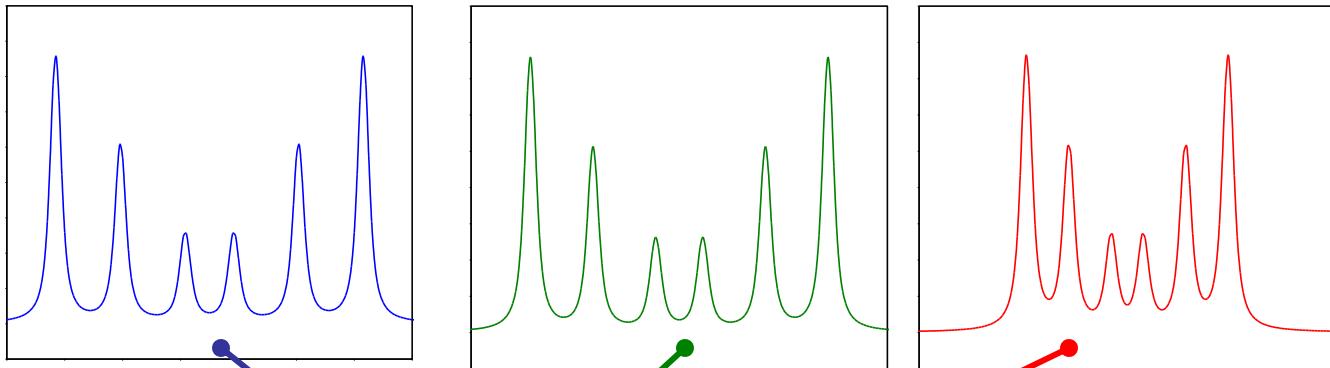


Cold  Hot

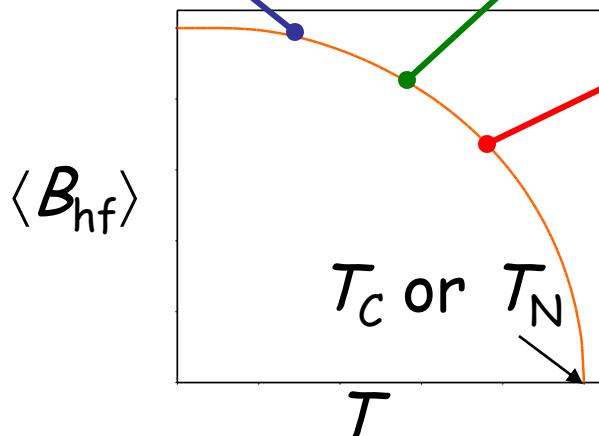
Spins



Mössbauer spectra

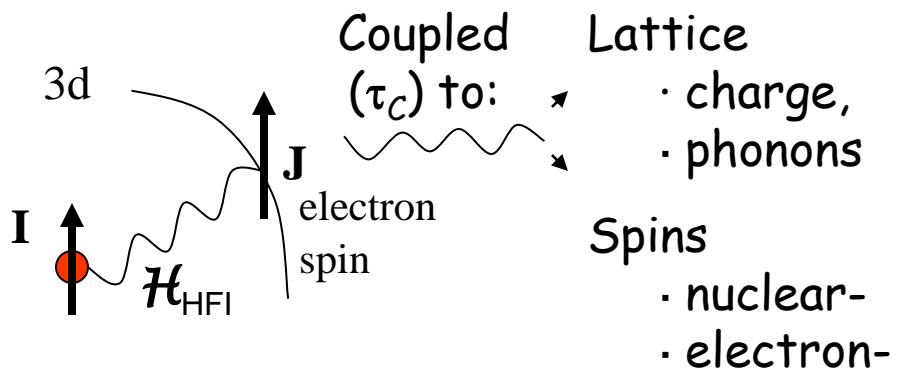


Magnetic hyperfine field



- $T \uparrow \Rightarrow \langle B_{hf} \rangle \downarrow$
- No line broadening

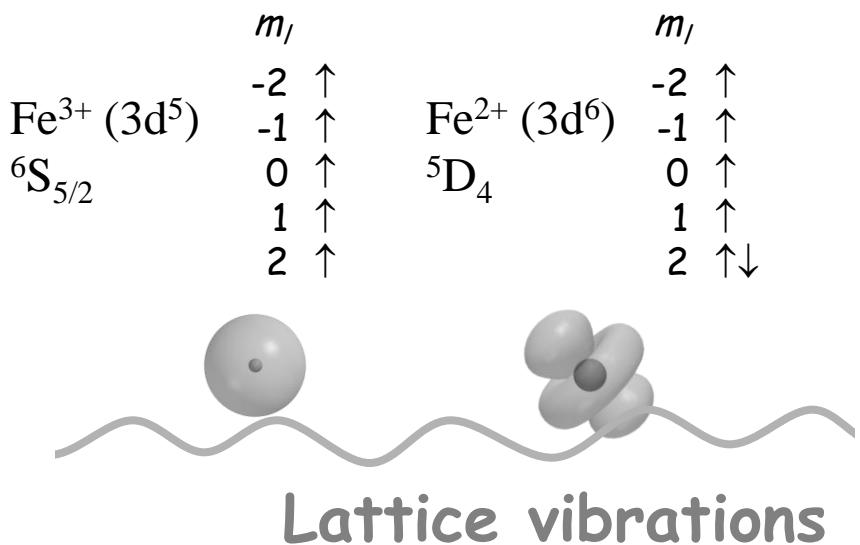
# Slow paramagnetic relaxations



## Conditions for static $B_{\text{hf}}$

$\tau_c \geq \tau_L$  (Nucl. Larmor time)  
 $\tau_c \geq \tau_N$  (lifetime of Mössbauer state)  
 $\Rightarrow B_{\text{hf}}$  not  $T$  dependent  
 $\Rightarrow$  Otherwise broadened

## Spin lattice relaxations



## Spin-spin relaxations

$S_\alpha \sim S_\beta$

$H_{dd} \text{ or } H_{ex}$

$\Omega_{ss}$

$\Omega_{ss} \propto \langle 2|H_{dd} + H_{ex}|1\rangle$

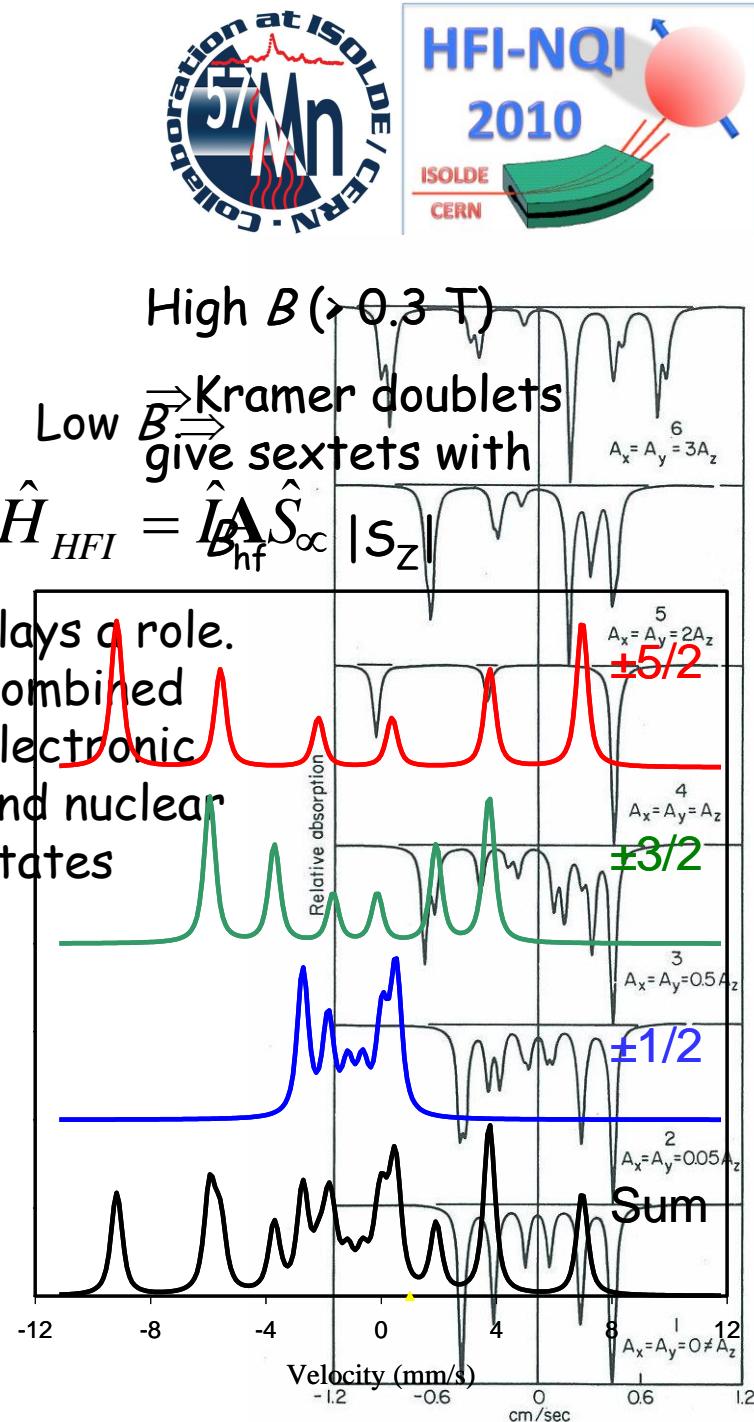
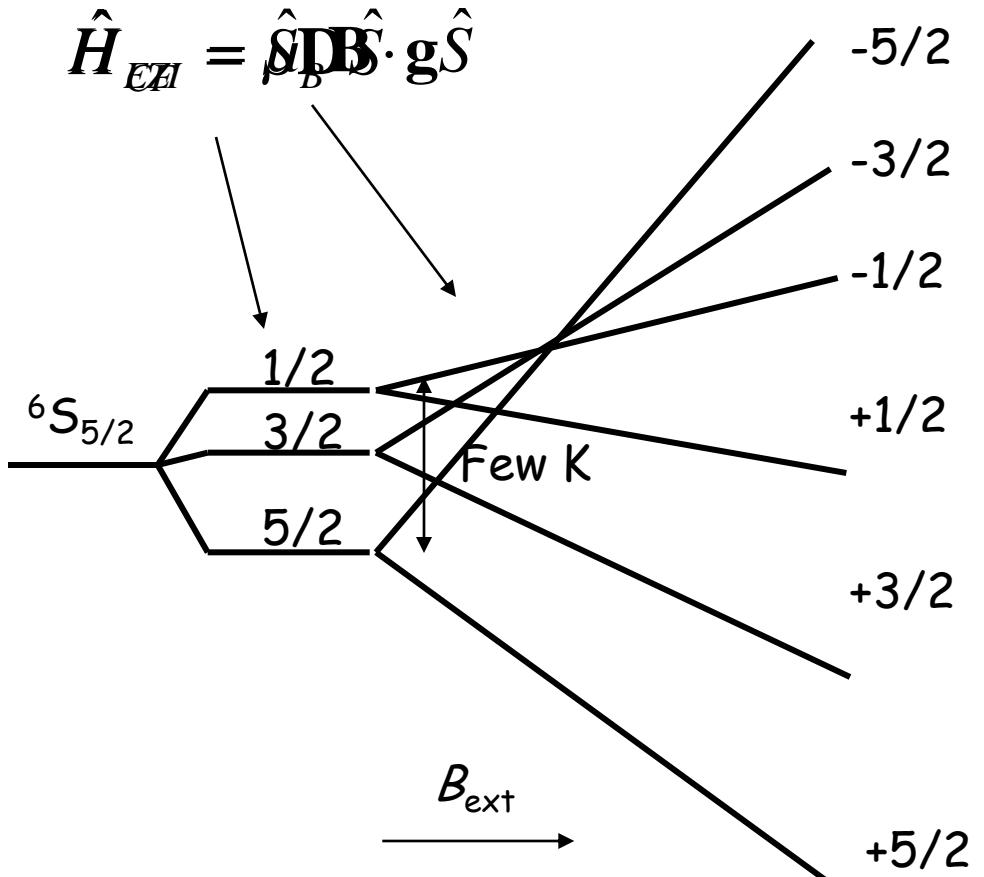
$\times \exp(-|E_2 - E_1|)$

Broadening in MS  
if  $\sim 0.1$  at.%

# Mössbauer spectra of paramagnetic $\text{Fe}^{3+}$

Needs electron spin operators!

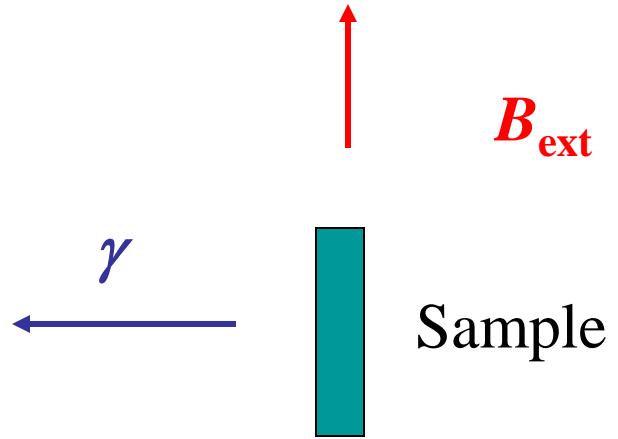
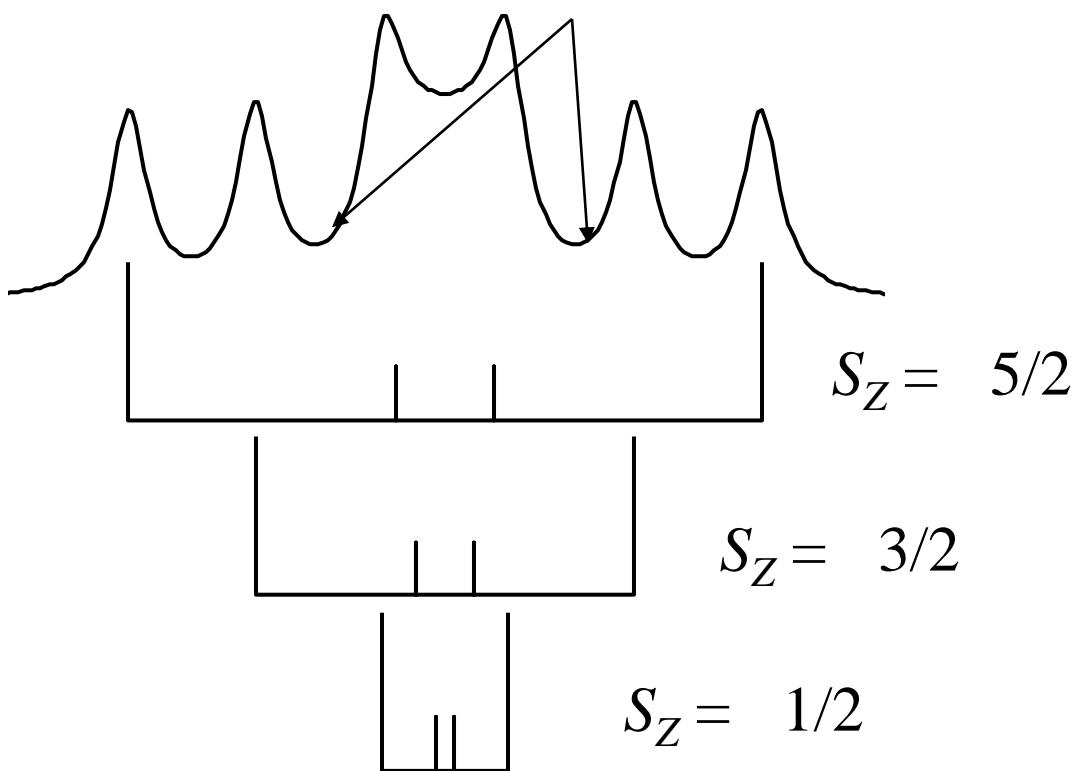
$$\hat{H} = \hat{H}_{CF} + \hat{H}_{EZI} + \hat{H}_{HFI} + \hat{H}_{NQI} + \dots$$



# Paramagnetism (slow relaxation)

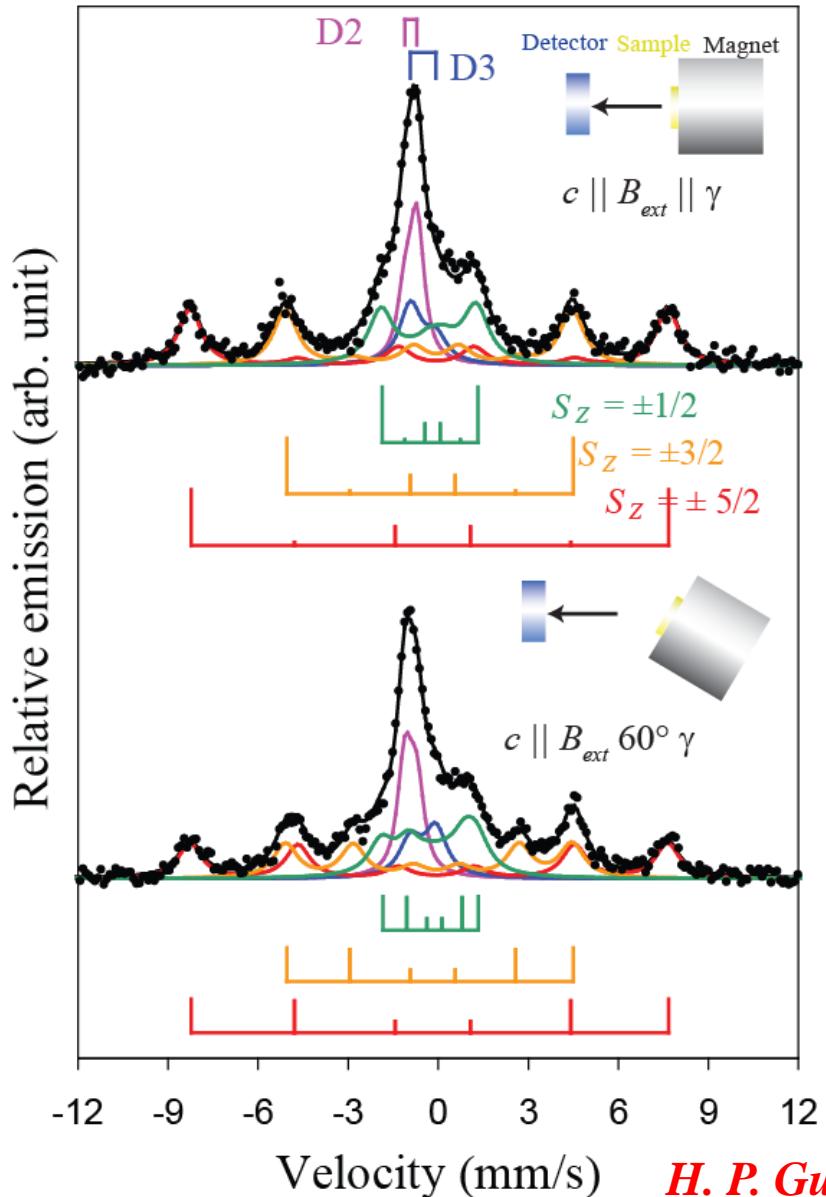
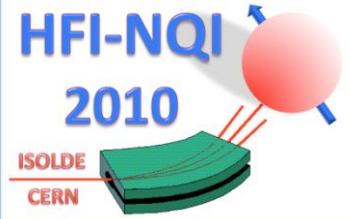
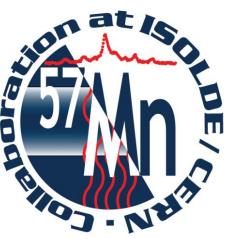


$$\Delta m_I = 0 \text{ from } S_Z = \pm 3/2$$



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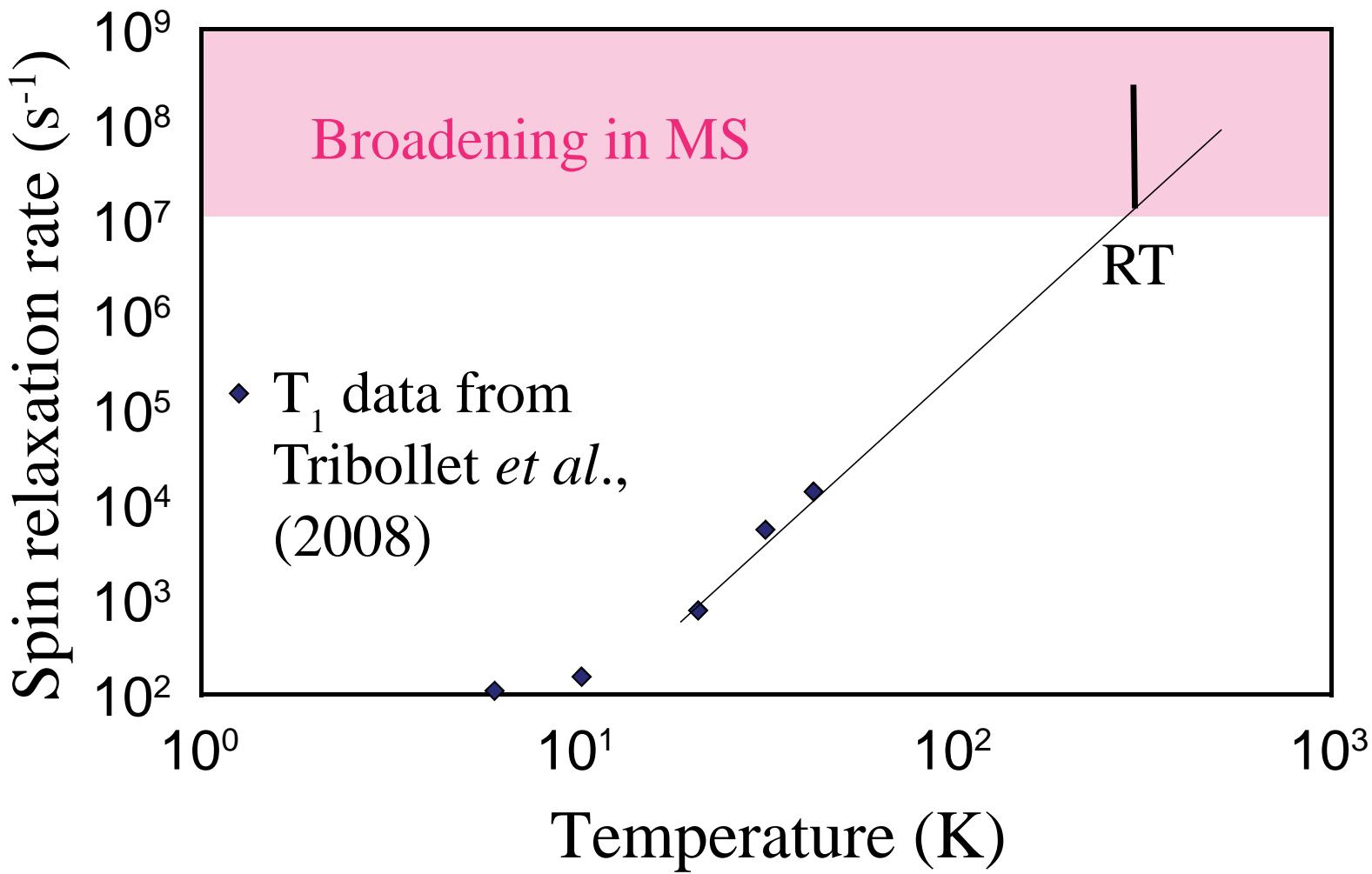
# ZnO at RT in $B_{ext} = 0.6$ T



Sextet originating  
from Kramer  
doublets clearly  
observed

No relaxation at RT?

# Slow paramagnetic relaxations at RT plausible?



# Does defect magnetism exist?



In ZnO, implanted Mn/Fe  $\text{Fe}^{3+}$  shows slow paramagnetic relaxations

-> No spin-spin relaxations with defects

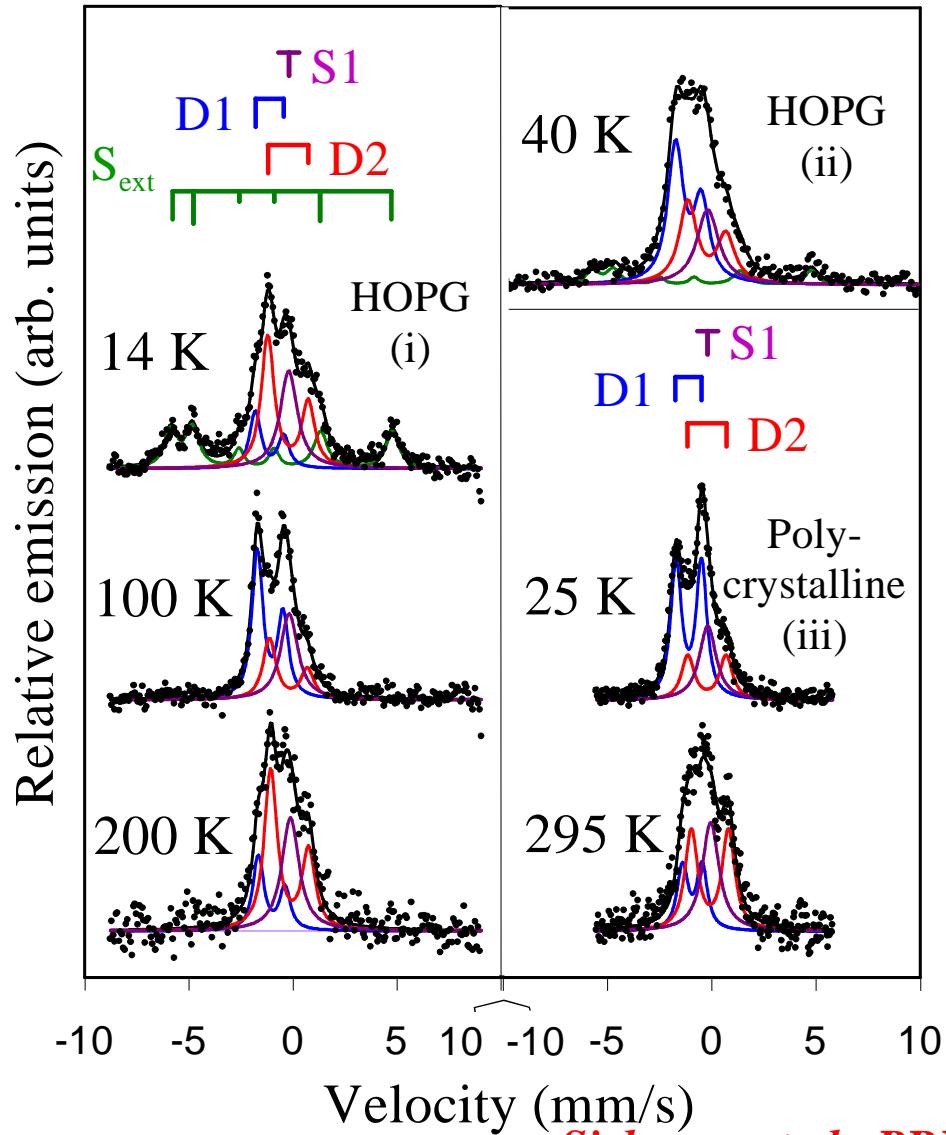
<- Theory overestimates range of magnetism from isolated defects (Zunger et al., 2010), data misinterpreted and precipitation not documented (Potzger et al., 2008+)

Is defect or dilute magnetism myth?

# Defect magnetism exists!



- Implantation of  $^{57}\text{Fe}$  into Graphite
- Sextet ( $\text{Fe}^{2+}$ ) observed at 14 K
- Reduced  $B_{\text{hf}}$  at 40 K (not a static  $B_{\text{hf}}$ )



# Conclusions/summary



- Implanted Mn/Fe ions in oxides lead to TM in various charge states and lattice sites
- Fe as 3+ state has extremely long relaxation time and displays static (para)-magnetic spectra. Most extreme case Fe in ZnO.
- Application of external magnetic field decouples perturbing fields and yields spectrum looking like an effective magnetic field.
- Identification of defect related magnetism by Mössbauer spectroscopy has been observed at very low temperatures in graphite.

# Thank you



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