

High-lights of solid state physics at ISOLDE

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- Tracer diffusion: Ag in CdTe
- Transition metal impurities in Si: Fe
- Photoluminescence: nature of the “green band” in ZnO
- Arsenic as an “anti-site” impurity in ZnO
- O and F configurations in High- T_c Hg1201
- Polaron dynamics in Colossal Magneto-Resistive manganites
- Magnetic hyperfine fields of adatoms at surfaces: Cd on Ni

Use of radioactive isotopes in Solid State Physics

- Detect nuclear radiation to quantify impurities:

⇒ radiotracer diffusion

- Decay particles transmit information with atomic resolution:

⇒ Emission Channeling (EC)

⇒ Perturbed Angular Correlation (PAC)

⇒ Mössbauer Spectroscopy (MS)

⇒ Beta Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (β -NMR)

- Identify spectroscopic signals via isotope half life:

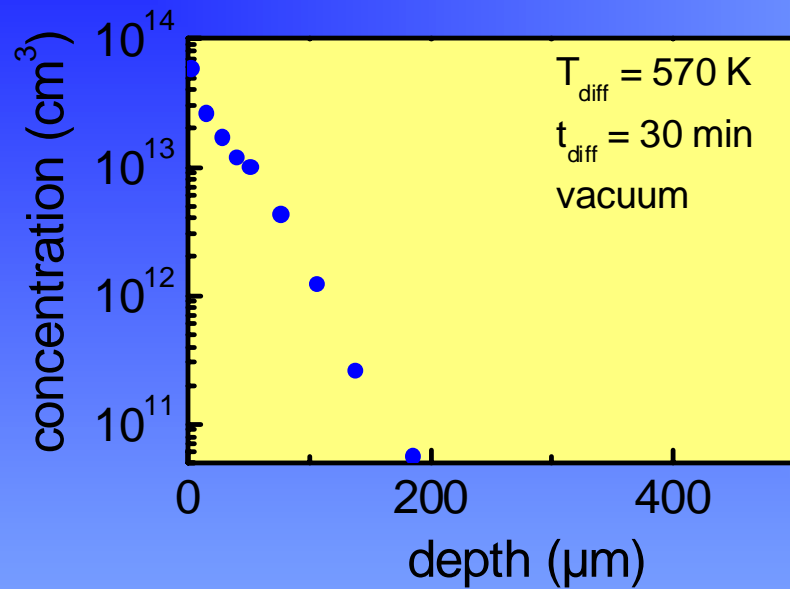
⇒ Photoluminescence (PL)

⇒ Deep Level Transient Spectroscopy (DLTS)

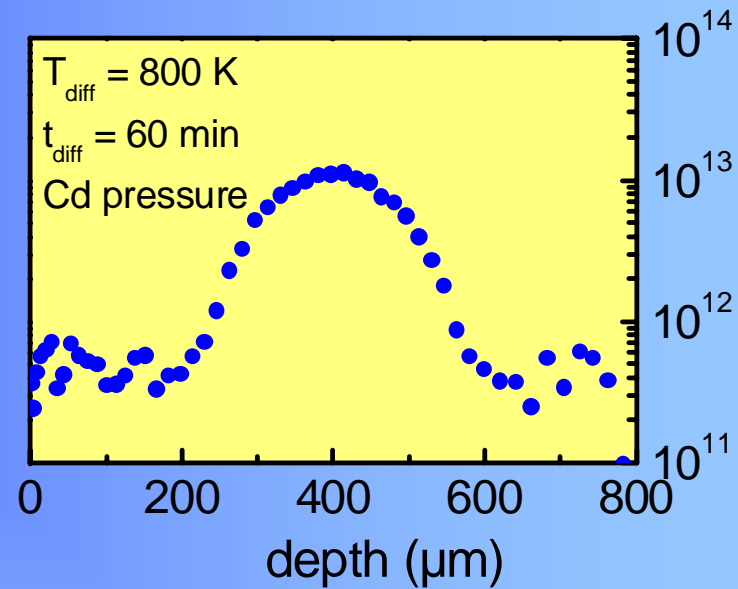
⇒ Hall effect

At ISOLDE often several of these methods are used in combination

The “unusual” diffusion of ^{111}Ag in CdTe



“Normal”
Gaussian
diffusion profile



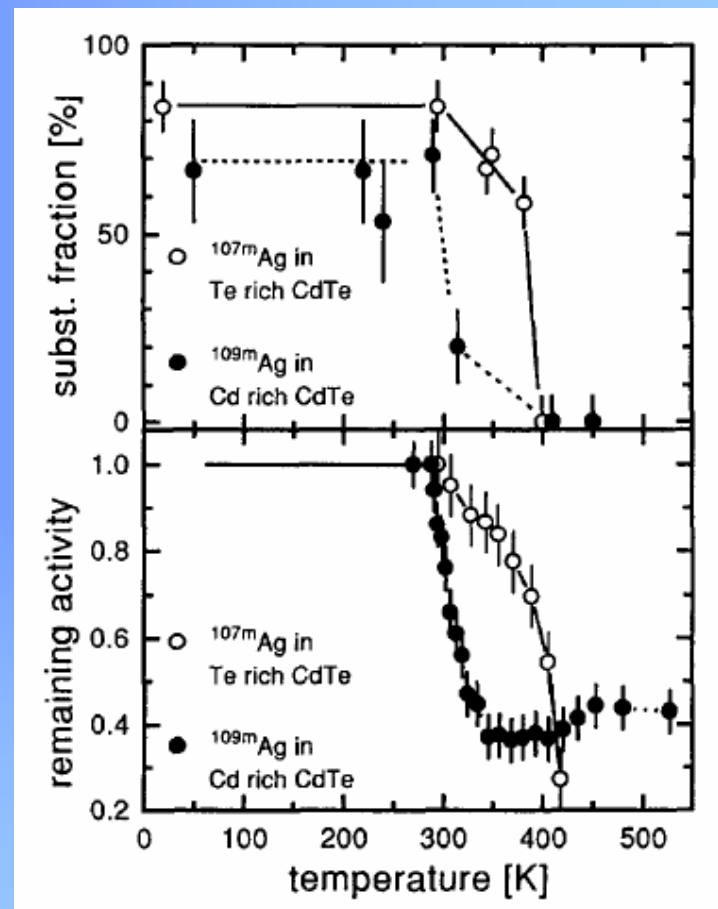
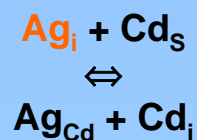
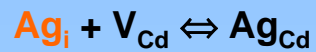
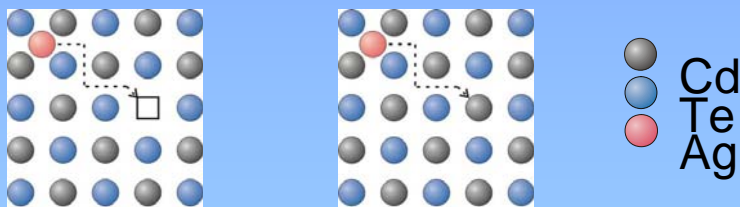
Very unusual symmetrical
diffusion profile

Why?

Lattice location of $^{107}\text{Cd} \rightarrow ^{107\text{m}}\text{Ag}(40\text{s})$ and $^{109}\text{Cd} \rightarrow ^{109\text{m}}\text{Ag}(44\text{s})$ in CdTe

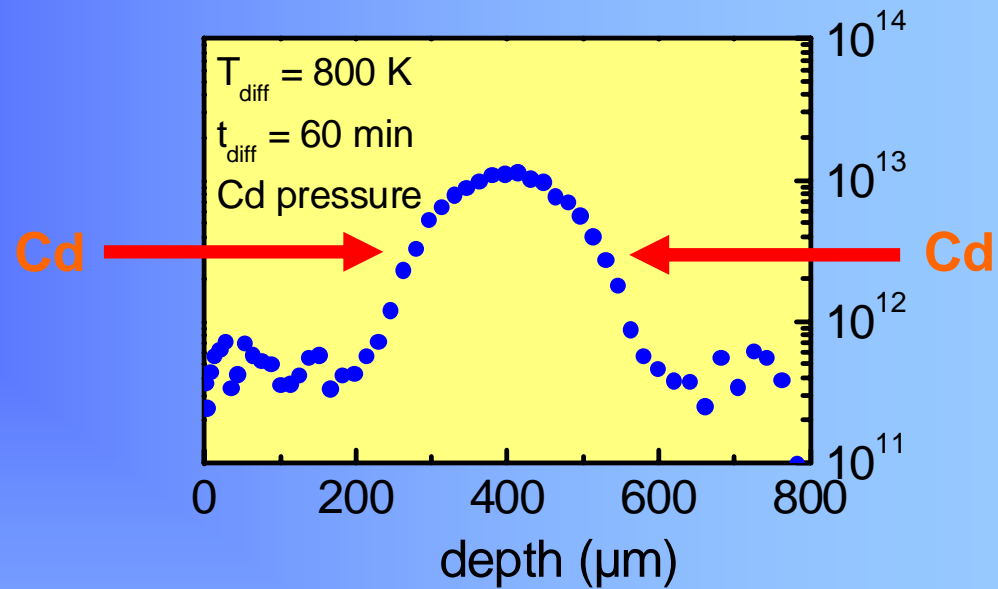
Emission Channeling lattice location:

- substitutional Ag_{Cd}
- low stability of Ag_{Cd}
 $E_a = 0.92(4)\text{eV}$
- long-range diffusion
- amount of Ag_{Cd} depends on the Cd stoichiometry

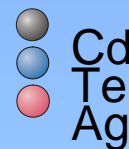
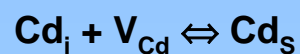
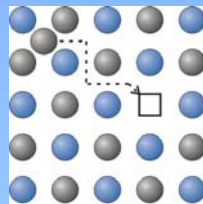
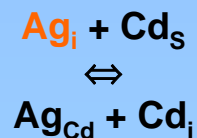
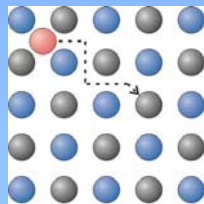
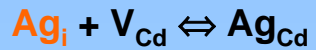
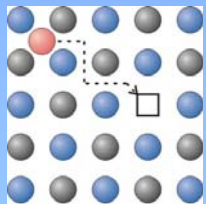


Diffusion of ^{111}Ag in CdTe

depletion of Ag in surface regions due to slow indiffusion of Cd
 $[\text{Ag}_s] \sim [\text{V}_{\text{Cd}}]$



Symmetrical diffusion profile



International Technology Roadmap for Semiconductors



Table 32b Starting Materials Technology Requirements—Long Term**

Year of First Product Shipment Technology Node	2008 70 nm	2011 50 nm	2014 35 nm
<i>Proposed Year of First Product Shipment, Technology Node (A)</i>	<i>2008 60nm</i>	<i>2011 40 nm</i>	<i>2014 30 nm</i>
DRAM 1/2 Pitch (nm)	70	50	35
New DRAM 1/2 Pitch (nm) (A)	60	40	30
MPU Gate Length (nm)	45	32	22
New MPU/ASIC Gate Length (In Resist) (nm) (A)	45	33	23
<i>General Characteristics * (B,C)</i>			
Wafer diameter (mm)	300	300	450
Edge exclusion (mm)	1	1	1
Front surface particle size (nm), latex sphere equivalent (D)	≥ 35	≥ 25	≥ 17.5
Particles (cm ⁻²) (E,F)	≤ 0.10	≤ 0.10	≤ 0.10
Particles (#/wf)	≤ 73	≤ 72	≤ 165
Critical surface metals (at/cm ²) (G)	≤ 4.2E+9	≤ 3.6E+9	≤ 3.4E+9
Site flatness (nm) (H)			
Oxygen (center point value ± 2.0 ppma) (ASTM 79) (I)			
<i>Polished Wafer *</i>			
<i>Total Allowable Front Surface Light Scattering Defect Density is The Sum of Crystal Originated Pits (COPs) and Particles (see General Cha</i>			
Front surface COPs size (nm), latex sphere equivalent (D)	≥ 35	≥ 25	≥ 18
COPs (cm ⁻²) (J)	≤ 0.10	≤ 0.10	≤ 0.10
Particles (DRAM) (#/WI)	≤ 294	≤ 255	≤ 504
Total bulk Fe (at/cm ³) [K]	< 1×10 ¹⁰	< 1×10 ¹⁰	< 1×10 ¹⁰
Oxidation stacking faults (OSF)			
Oxidation stacking faults (OSF) (MPU) (cm ⁻²) (L)	≤ 0.6	≤ 0.4	≤ 0.2

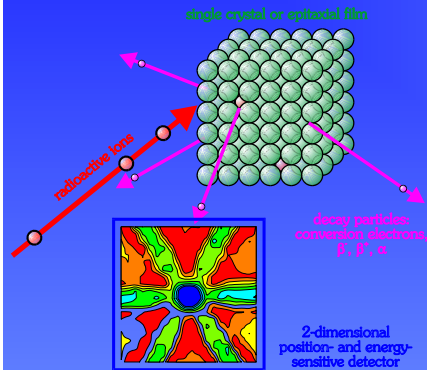
Identify + control Fe in Si below 10¹⁰ cm⁻³

Transition metal impurities in Si

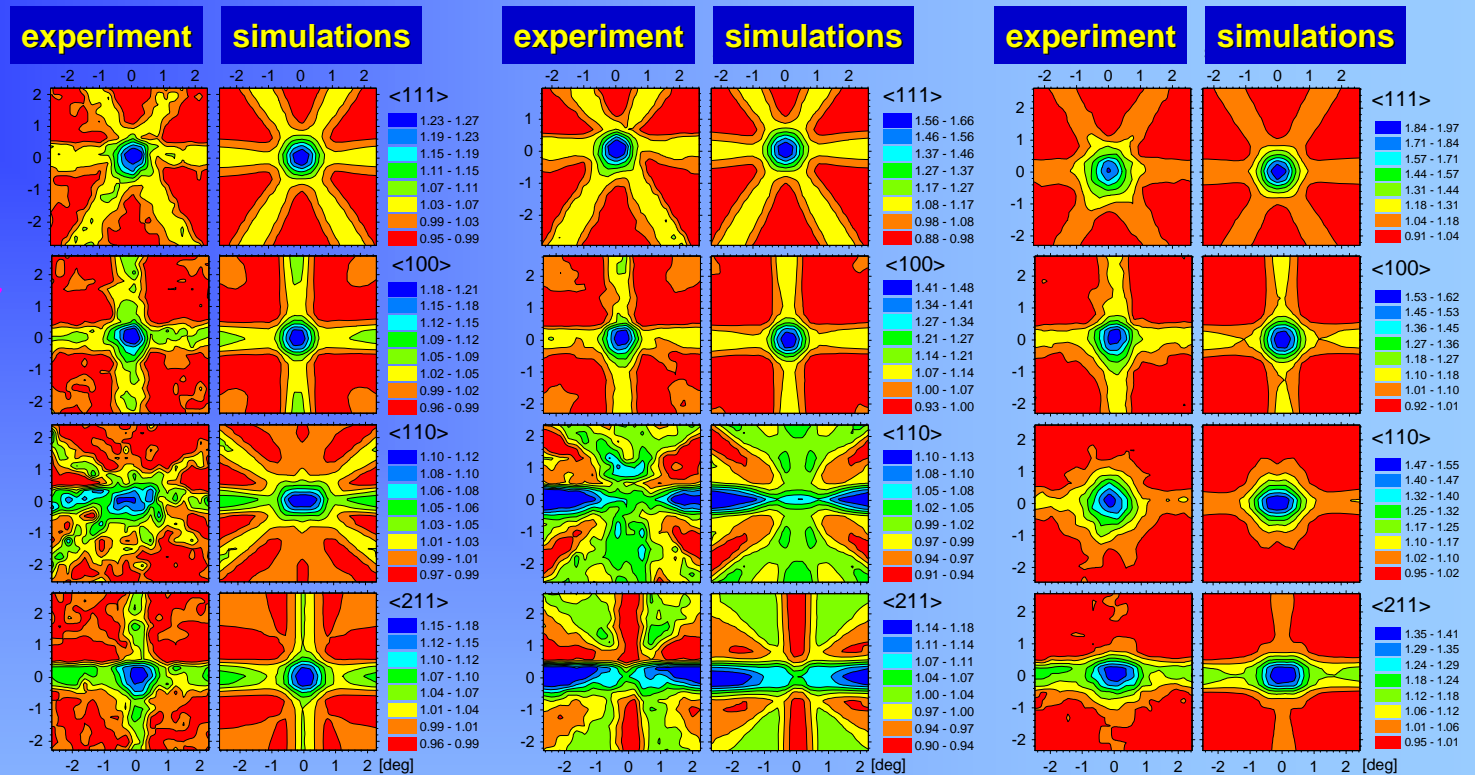
- Fe, Ni, Co, Cu... fast interstitial diffusers
- deep centers
- interact with dopants and change the electrical properties of dopants
- must be gettered away from active region of devices, e.g. by trapping at **radiation damage**

⇒ investigate properties of Fe in Si by **Emission Channeling (EC)** and **Mössbauer spectroscopy (MS)**

Lattice site changes of implanted ^{59}Fe in Si



β^- angular emission channeling patterns



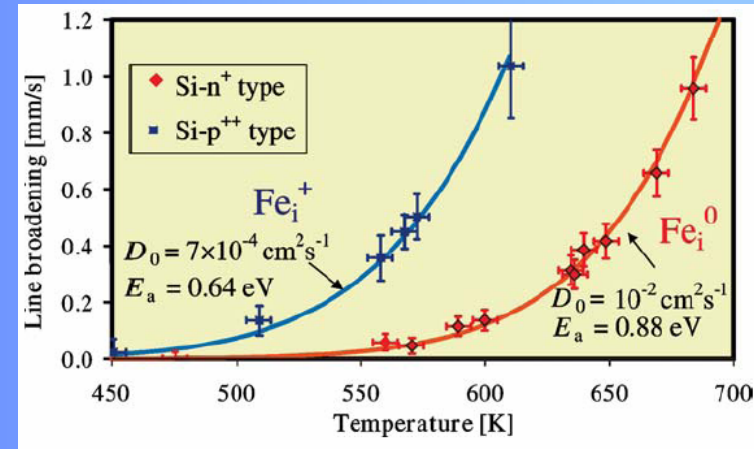
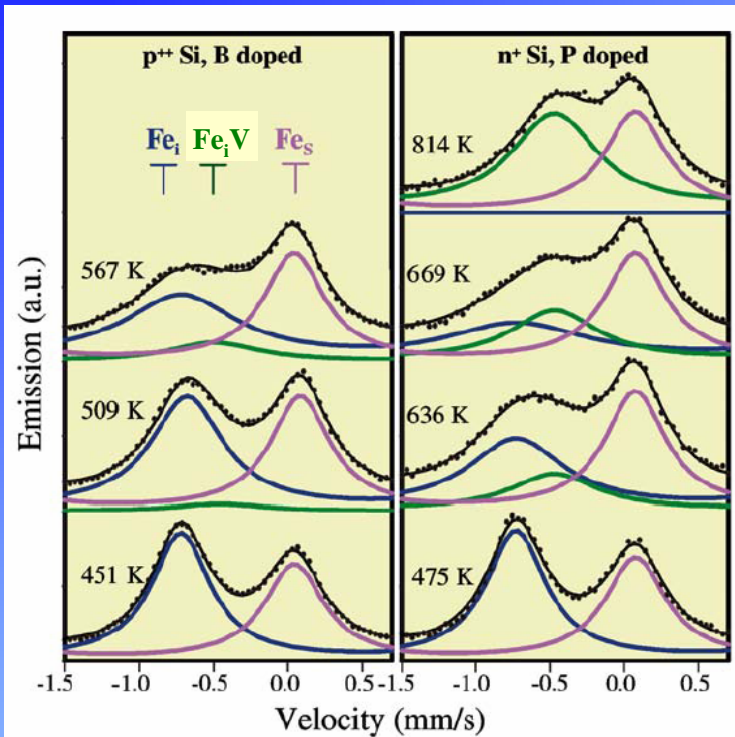
RT as-implanted:
mainly displaced
substitutional Fe

annealed at $T=300^\circ\text{C}$:
mainly tetrahedral
interstitial Fe

annealed at $T=800^\circ\text{C}$:
mainly ideal
substitutional Fe

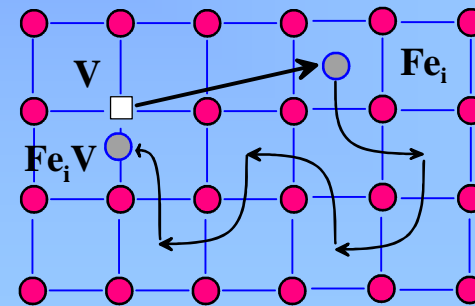
- At least 3 different Fe lattice sites
- Following release to interstitial state re-gettering occurs at a different gettering center on ideal substitutional sites

Mössbauer effect from $^{57}\text{Mn} \rightarrow ^{57}\text{Fe}$ in Si



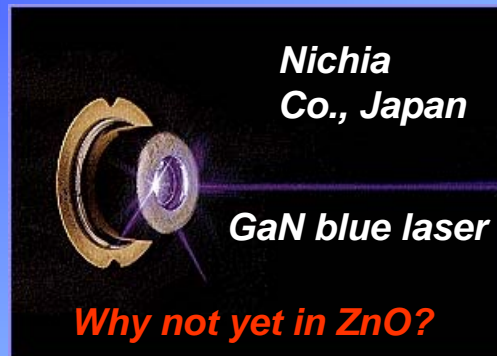
➤ MS line broadening reveals difference in diffusion coefficients of Fe_i⁺ and Fe_i⁰

- 4-5 different Fe centers identified
- interstitial Fe seen by EC is probably a (Fe_i-V) complex



Zinc Oxide

- wurtzite semiconductor with band gap of 3.4 eV
- very similar to GaN but with superior optical properties
- large single crystals available

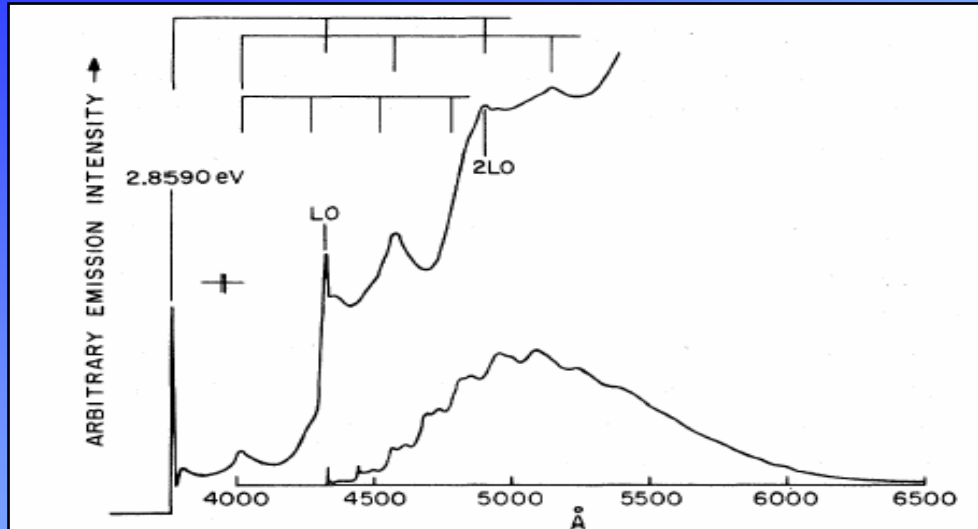


Major problem

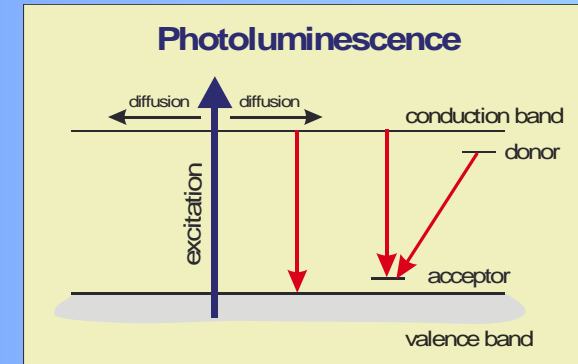
- all undoped crystals are *n*-type
(vacancies, interstitials, other defects, impurities?)
- *p*-doping extremely difficult

Puzzles of the “green band” in ZnO

“Structured” green luminescence band in ZnO



R. Dingle, Phys. Rev. Lett. 23 (1969) 579

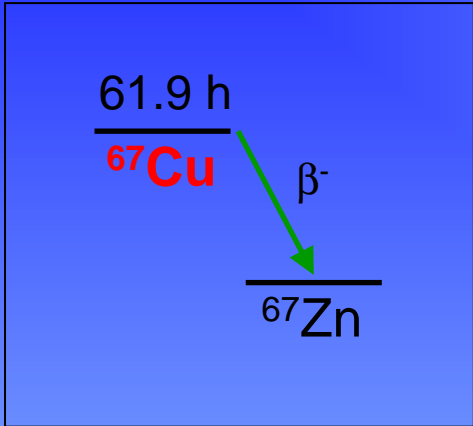


Conflicting explanations for the “green band” in the literature:

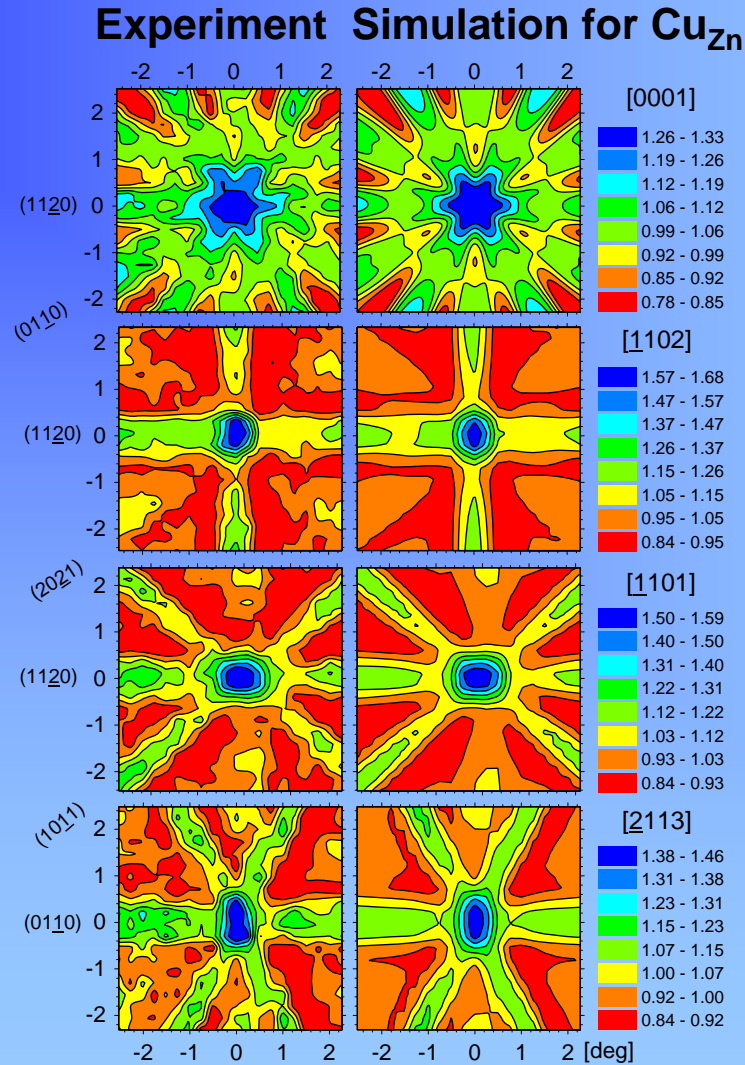
- Cu_{Zn} - impurities
- Vacancies (e.g., V_{O} , V_{Zn})

⇒ investigate properties of Cu in ZnO and nature of green band by emission channeling and PL

Lattice location of $^{67}\text{Cu} \rightarrow ^{67}\text{Zn}$ in ZnO

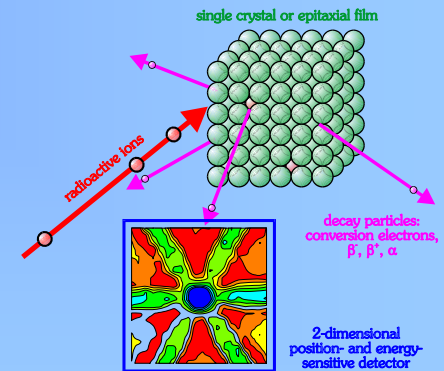


Implanted Cu occupies substitutional Zn sites:
 Cu_{Zn} ✓

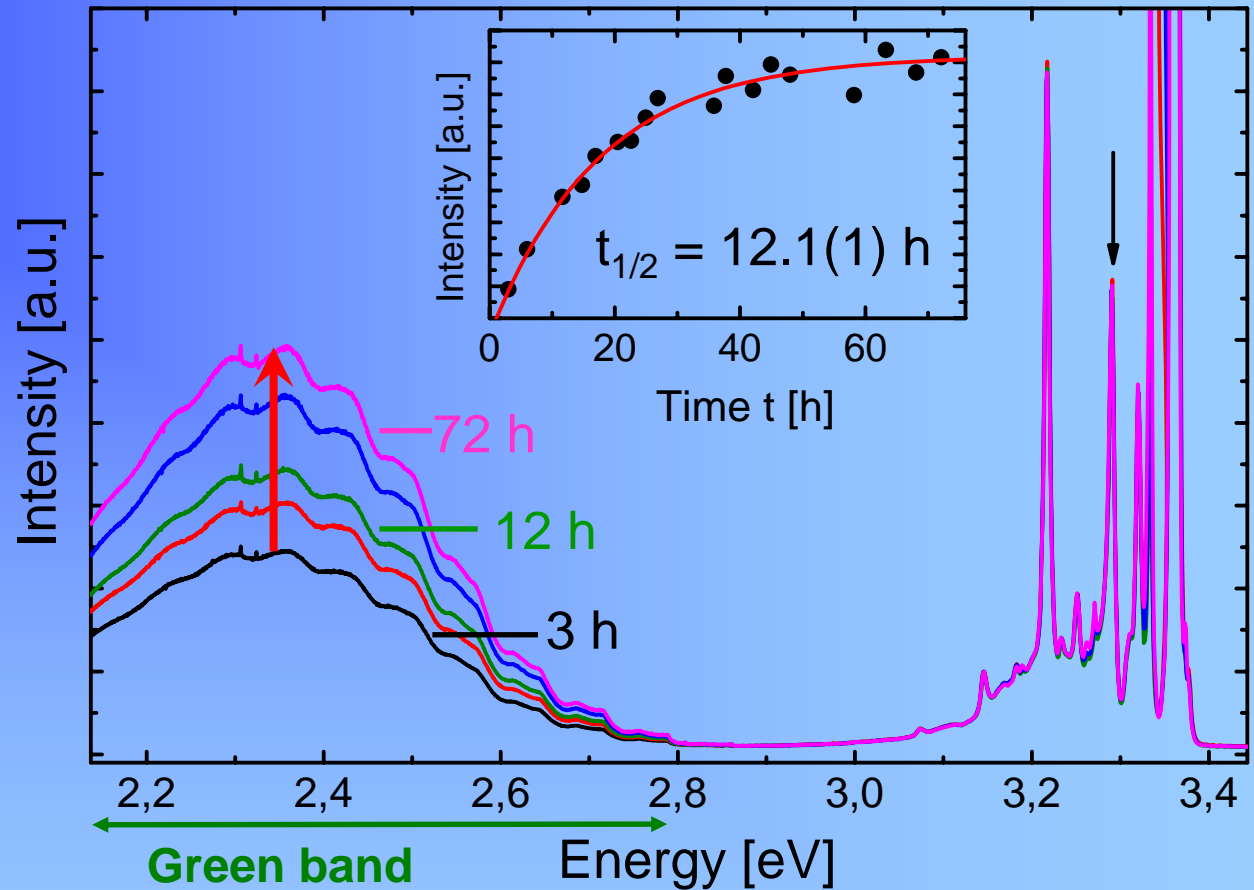
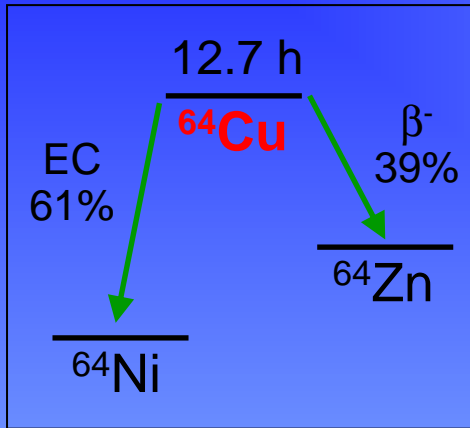


ISOLDE / CERN:

- $2 \times 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ at 60 keV
- 200°C, 10 min, vacuum



PL-Signals of $^{64}\text{Cu} \rightarrow (^{64}\text{Ni}, ^{64}\text{Zn})$ in ZnO



ZnO: Green band

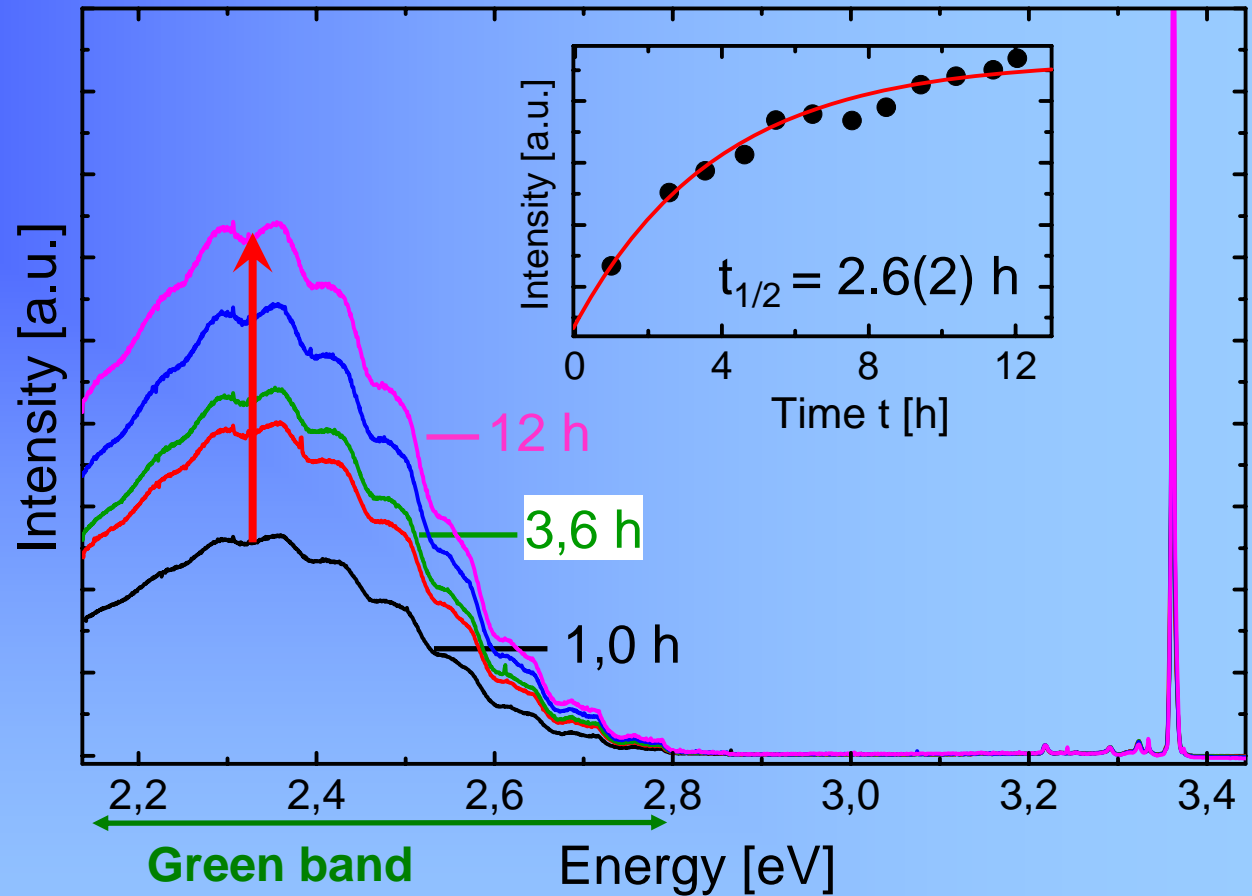
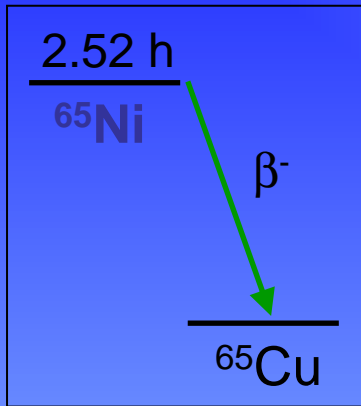
Literature

- ~~Cu_{Zn} - impurities~~
- Vacancies
- Ni - impurities ?

ISOLDE / CERN:

- $5 \times 10^{12} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ at 60 keV
- 800°C, 30 min, O_2

PL-Signals of $^{65}\text{Ni} \rightarrow ^{65}\text{Cu}$ in ZnO



ZnO: Green band

Literature

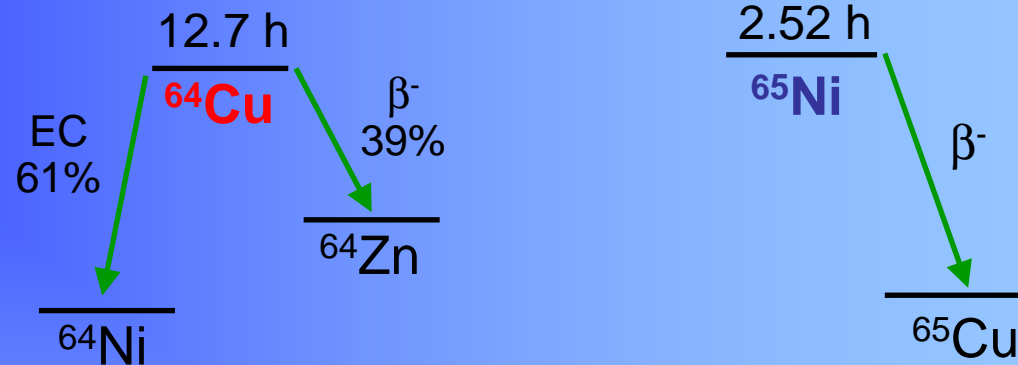
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- Vacancies

~~- Ni - impurities ?~~

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Recoil energies of ^{64}Cu and ^{65}Ni



Recoil energy:

EC - decay
 $\rightarrow E_{\text{recoil}} = 23.5 \text{ eV}$

β^- - decay
 $\rightarrow E_{\text{recoil}} \approx 37.7 - 55.7 \text{ eV}$

Displacement energy in ZnO *: Zn-atoms $E_{\text{displ}} = 19 \text{ eV}$
 O-atoms $E_{\text{displ}} = 41 - 57 \text{ eV}$

* D. C. Look, J. W. Hemsky, Phys. Rev. Lett. 82, 2552 (1999)

Both decays produce Zn vacancies:

Green band \leftrightarrow Zn vacancies in ZnO

The difficulties in p -type doping of ZnO

Candidates for acceptors:

N, P, As, Sb

Group V on S_o

Li, Na, K, Rb

Group Ia on S_{Zn}

Cu, Ag

Group Ib on S_{Zn}

already studied at ISOLDE

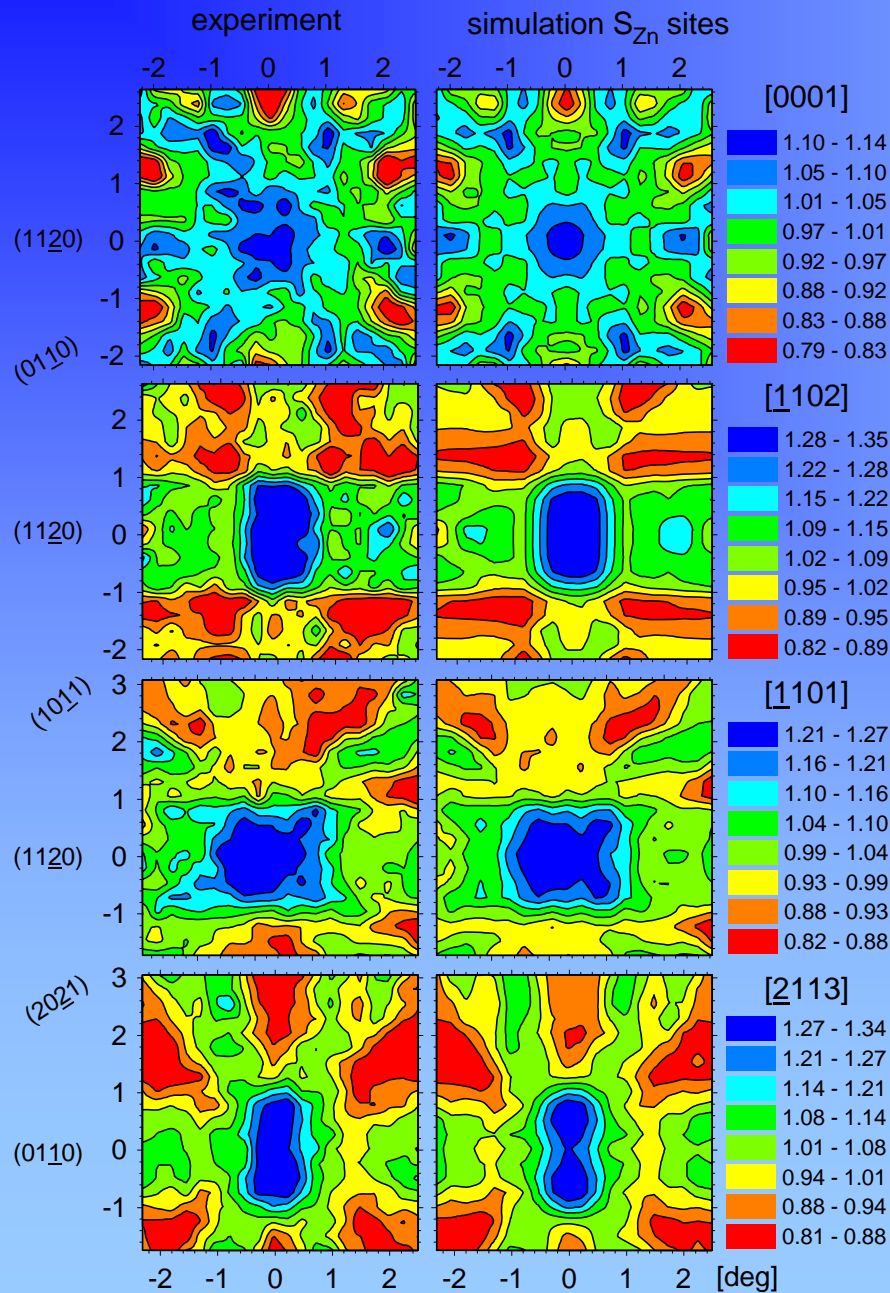
investigations foreseen

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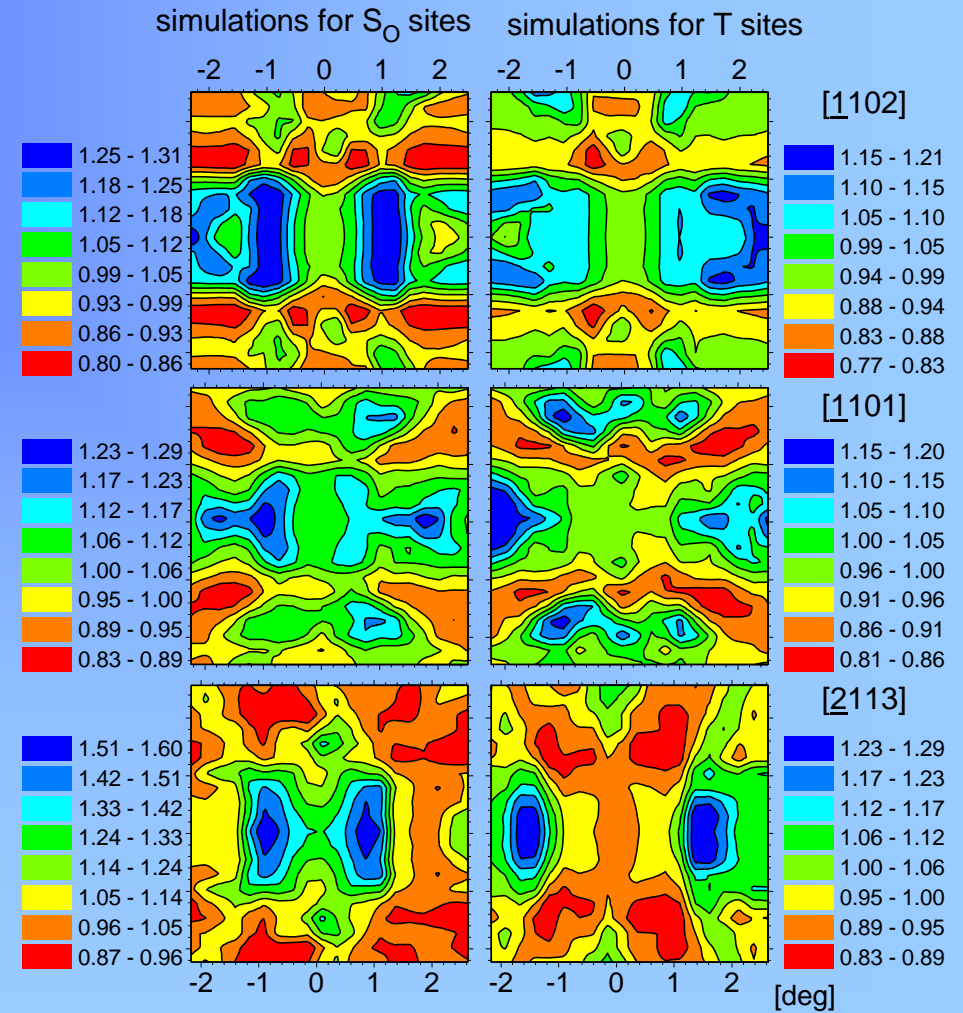
Is As a suitable acceptor in ZnO?

Maybe, but it does not like to occupy O sites but prefers Zn sites!

^{73}As as an “anti-site” impurity in ZnO



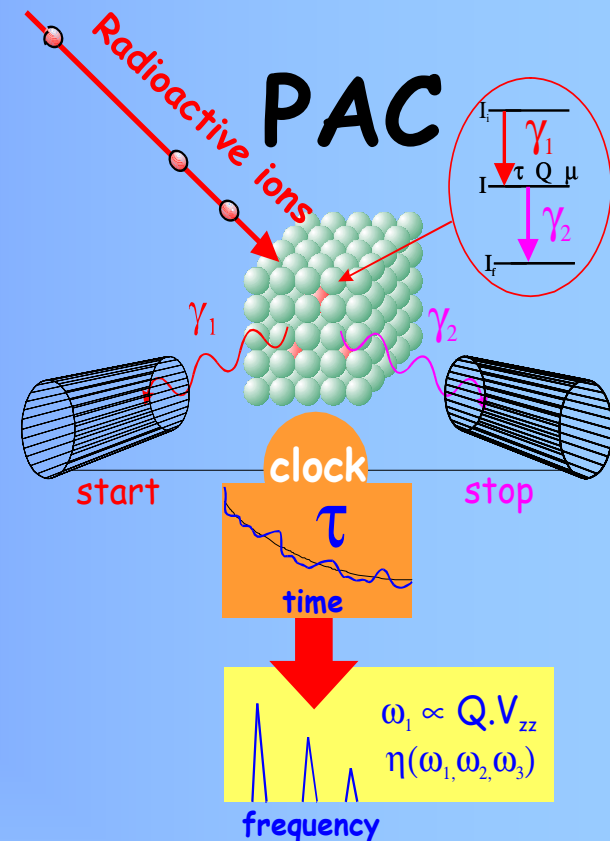
Only patterns for S_{Zn} fit the experimental results!



High- T_c superconductors

- Superconductivity and its T_c critically influenced by the charge that O^{2-} doping introduces in the superconducting CuO_2 planes
- Twice the number of F^- introduce the same charge doping

⇒ investigate atomistic configurations of O^{2-} and F^- dopants by means of electrical field gradient (EFG) it causes on PAC probe atom ^{199m}Hg



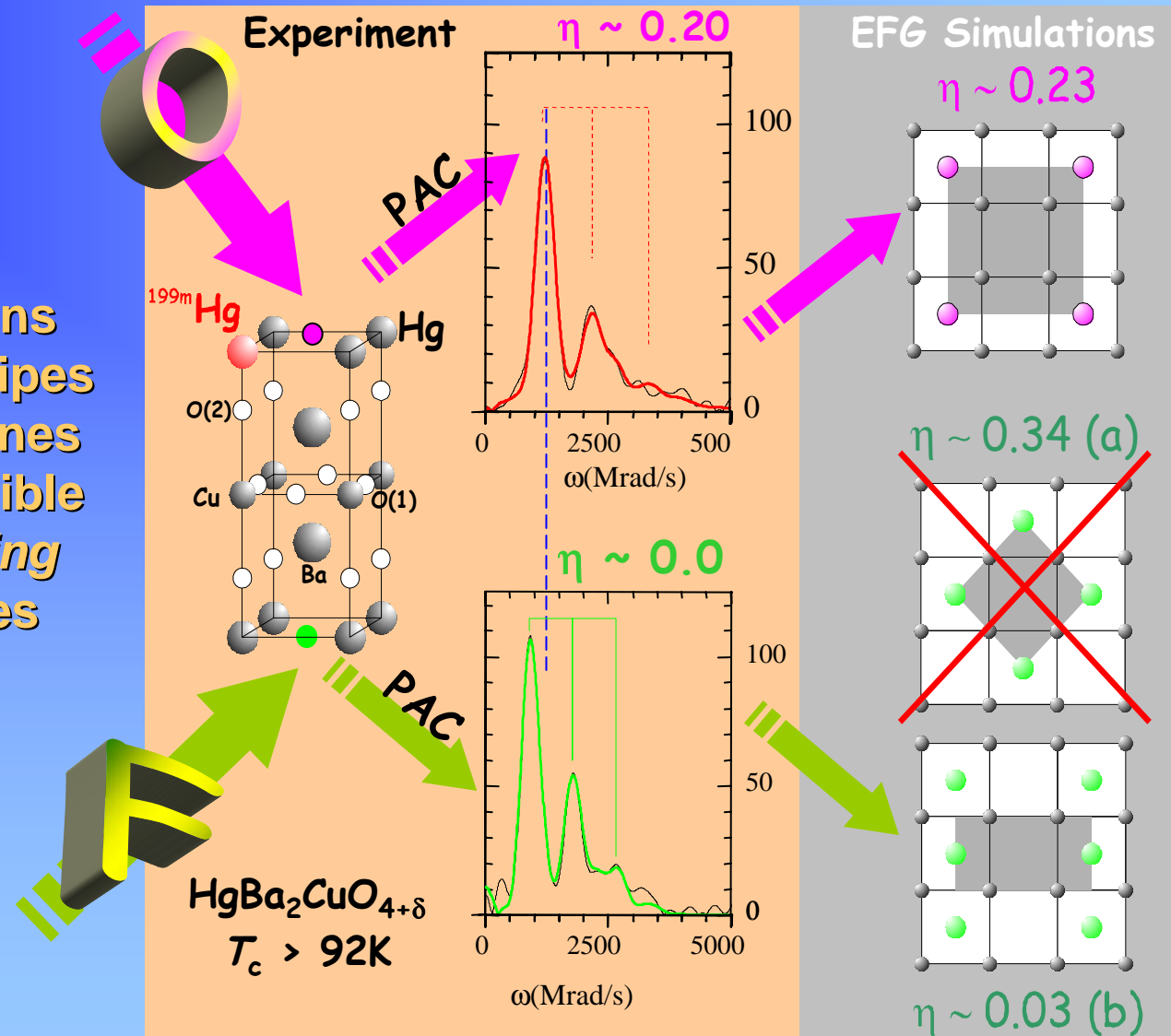
Electric Field Gradient



dopant configuration
fingerprint

Oxygen & Fluorine Configurations in Hg1201 (High- T_c)

- In contrast to O, F orders in small atomistic stripes
- Local deformations and atomistic stripes in the doping planes are NOT responsible for *charge ordering* at the CuO_2 planes



Colossal Magnetoresistive Manganites

Strong coupling of
spin, charge, orbital and lattice degrees of freedom

Complex multi-scale world with:

Intrinsic inhomogeneities

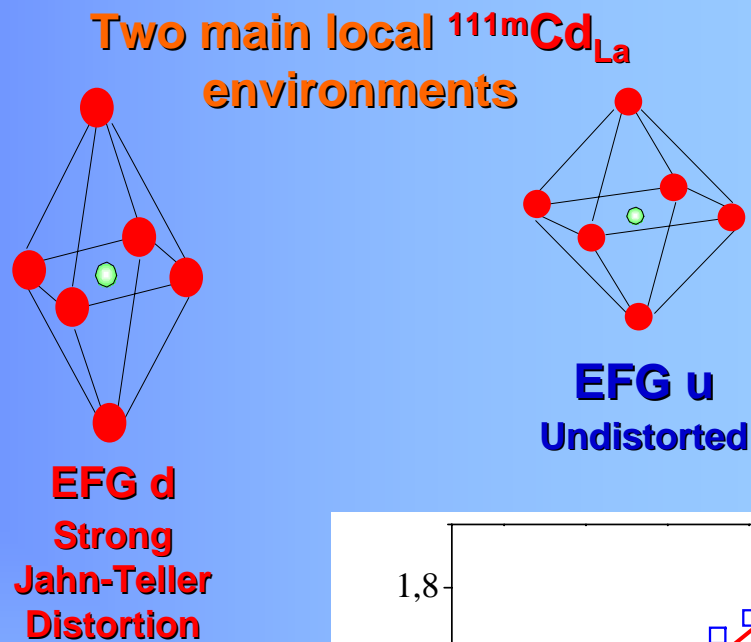
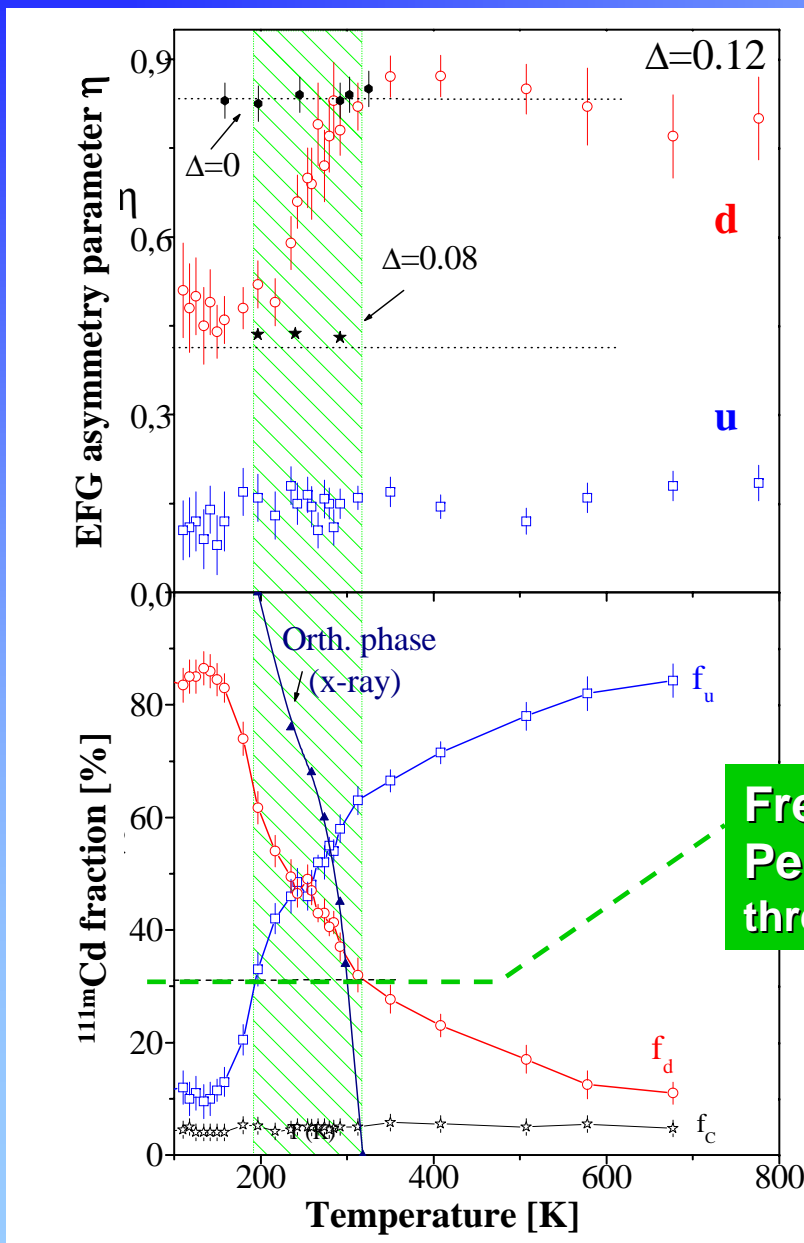
Clusters and stripes (charge, spin and structure)

Unconventional phase transitions

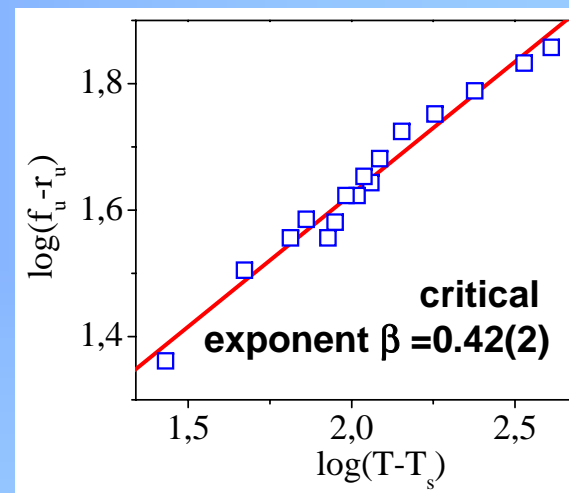
Charge-coupled lattice deformations: Polarons

⇒ use $^{111\text{m}}\text{Cd}$ impurities as local observers of the nature of structural phase transitions by means of PAC

Unconventional phase transitions as seen by ^{111}mCd in $\text{LaMnO}_{3,12}$

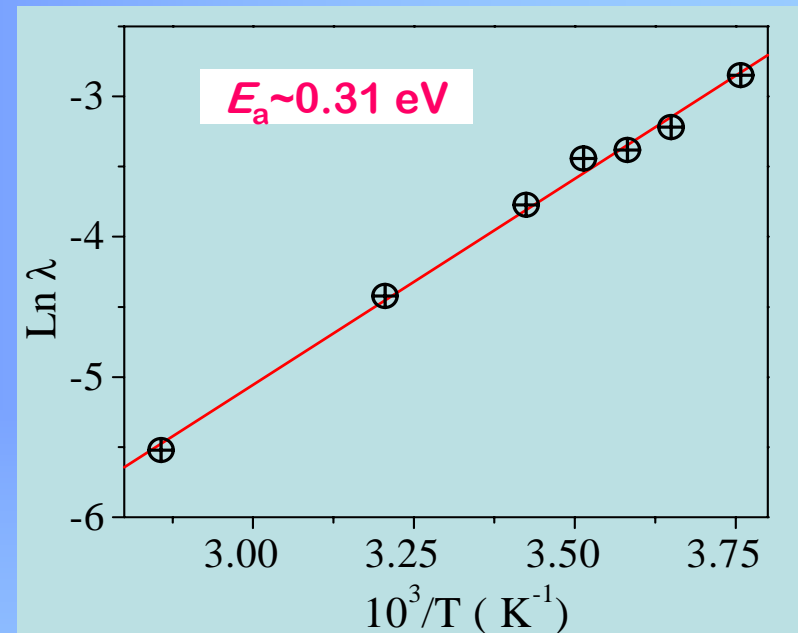
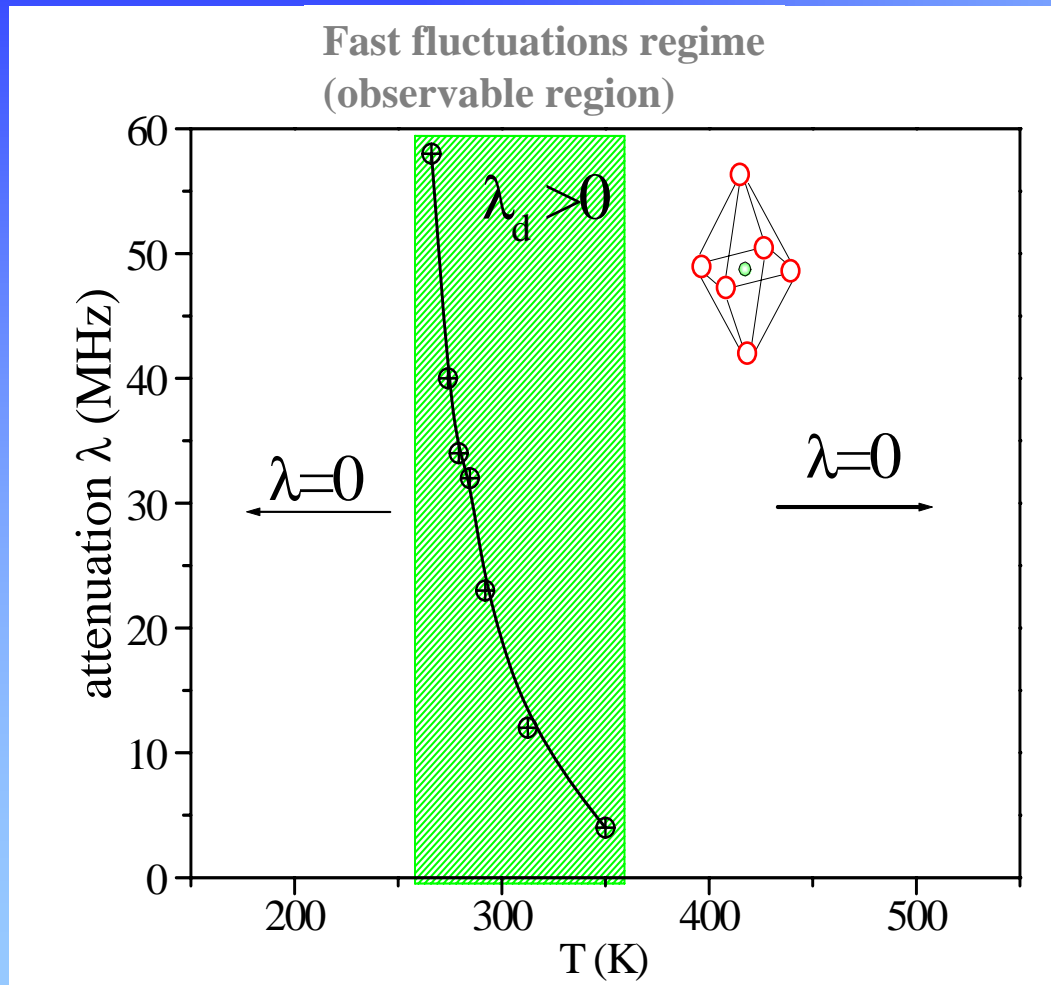


Free
Percolation
threshold: 31%



^{111}mCd in $\text{LaMnO}_{3.12}$: polaron dynamics

Dynamic Jahn-Teller distortions related to polaron diffusion give rise to EFG fluctuations/attenuation

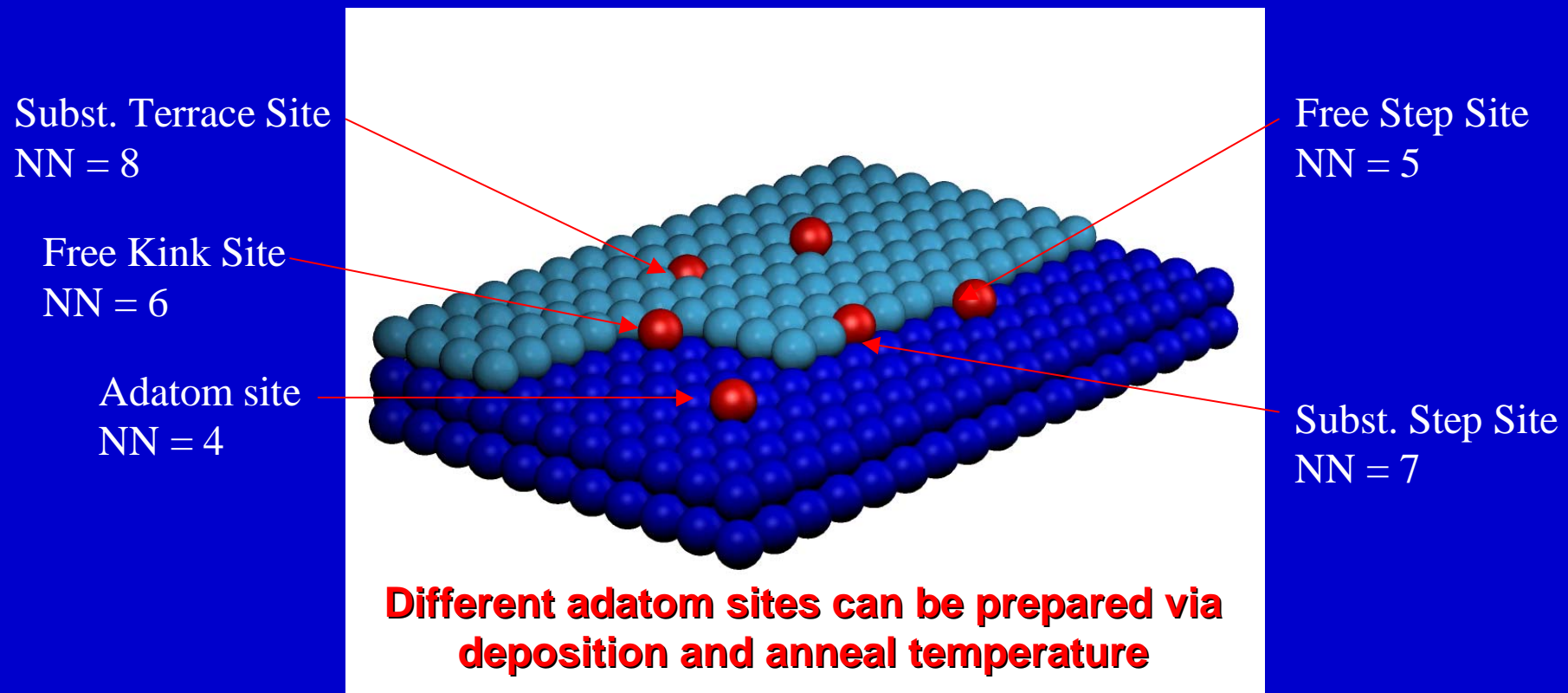


- Thermally activated polaron dynamics
- Hopping energy $E_a \sim 0.31 \text{ eV}$

Magnetism on surfaces

Impurity Atoms at Various Sites on a Surface (001)

^{111}Cd Probe on Ni(001)



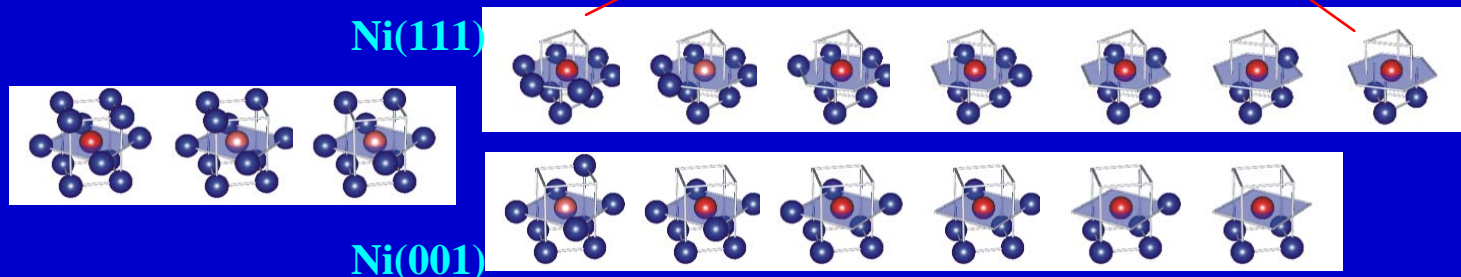
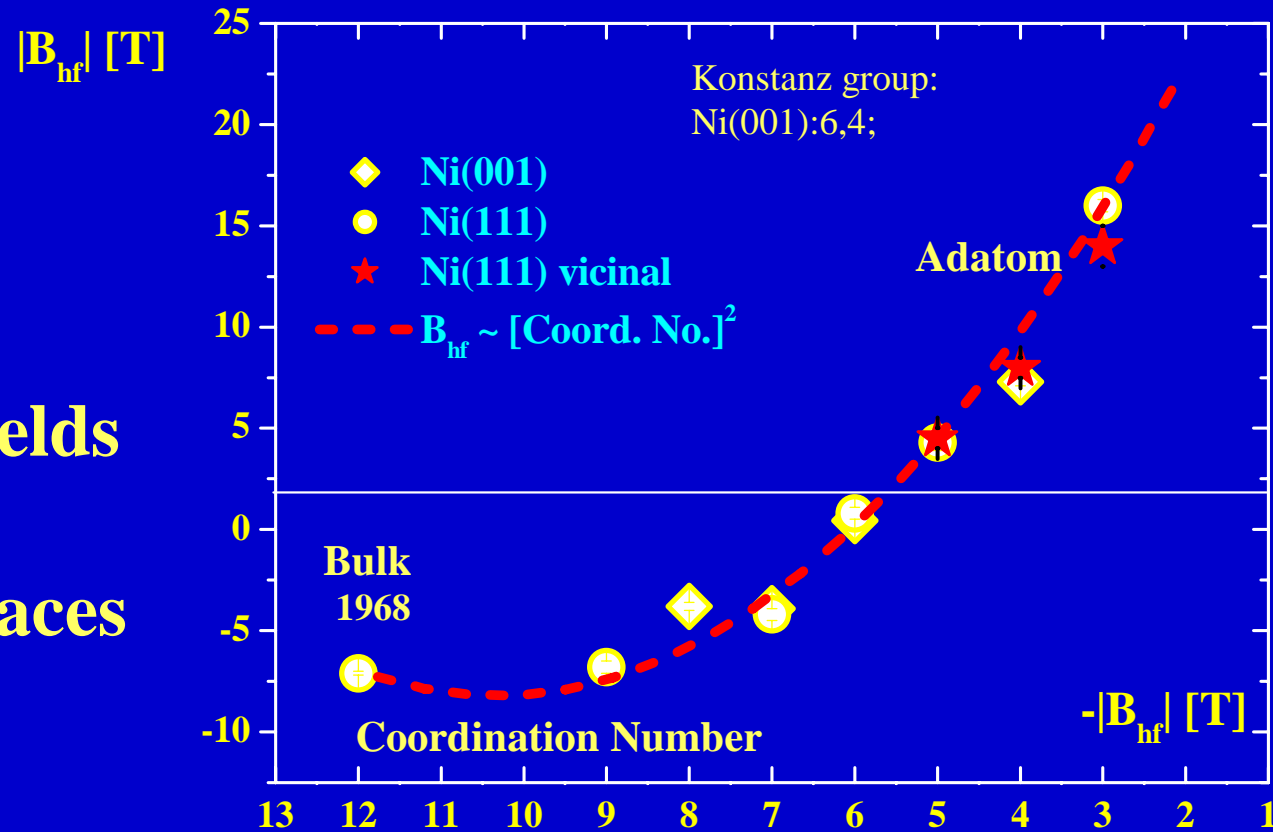
⇒ allows systematic studies of magnetic hyperfine fields B_{HF} at different sites by means of PAC

B_{HF} parabolic function of coordination number

K. Potzger et al, Phys. Rev. Lett. 88 (2002) 247201

Theory: Mavropoulos et al. PRL 81, 1506 (1998)

Magnetic
Hyperffine Fields
at ^{111}Cd ●
on Ni○ Surfaces



Solid state physics at ISOLDE covers a wide range of materials:

- **Semiconductors:**

 - Si, Ge, SiGe, diamond,
III-V, nitrides, II-VI, ZnO...

 - electrical doping, transition metals,
rare earths, H,
diluted magnetic semiconductors

- **High- T_c superconductors and perovskites**

- **Magnetism (manganites, CMR)**

- **Low dimensional systems:
surfaces, interfaces, multilayers**

**ISOLDE's strength:
the variety of different experimental methods that can
be combined to study these materials**

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