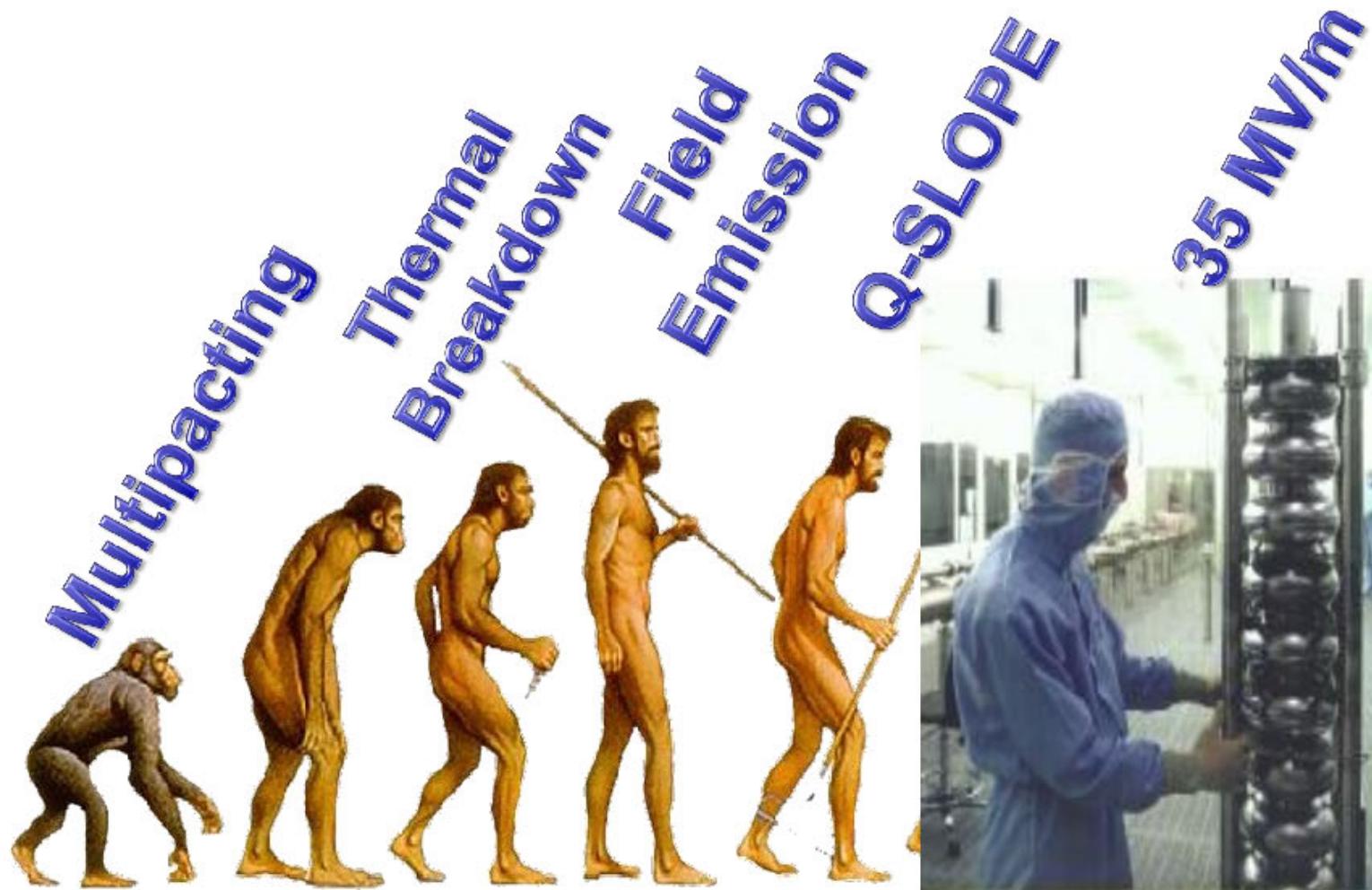


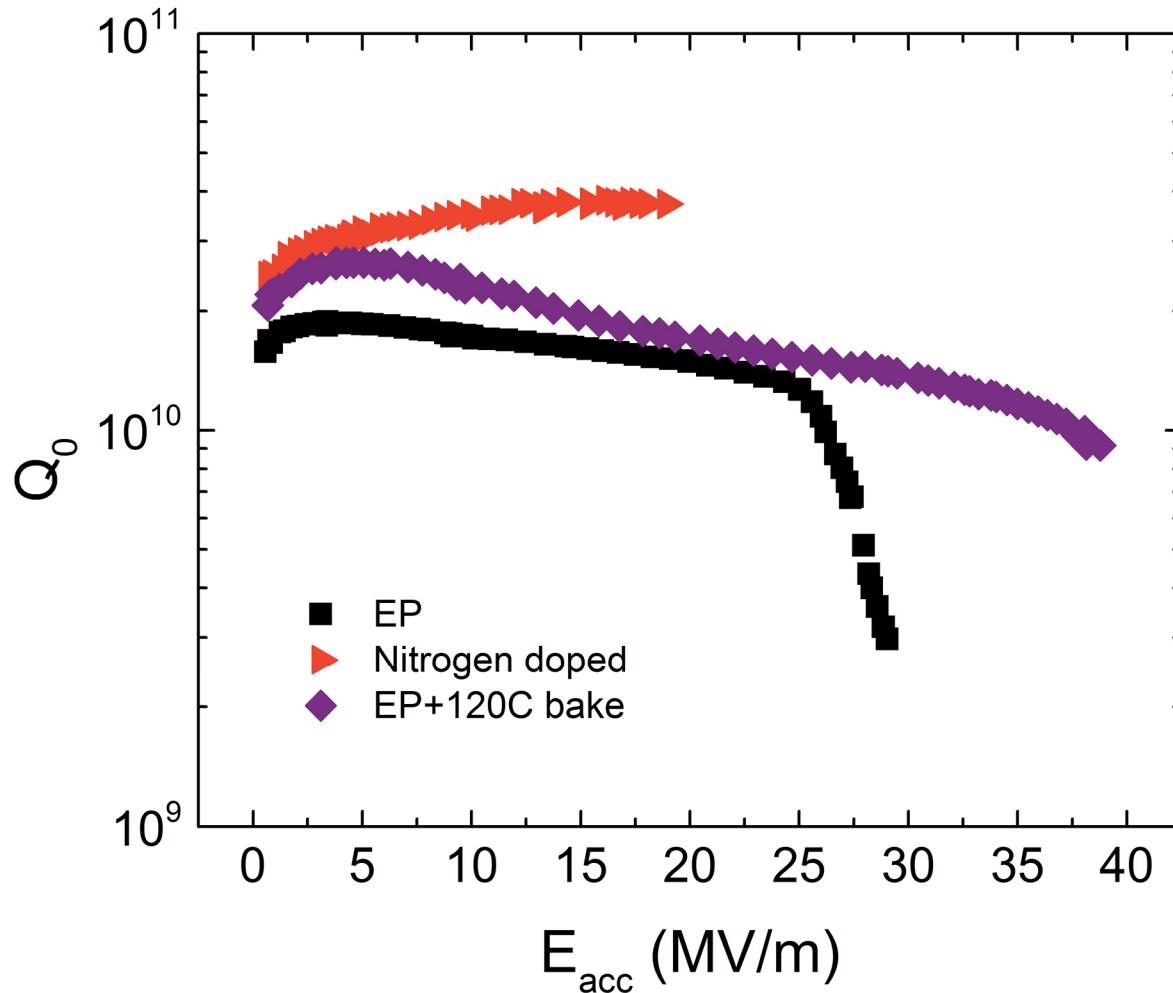
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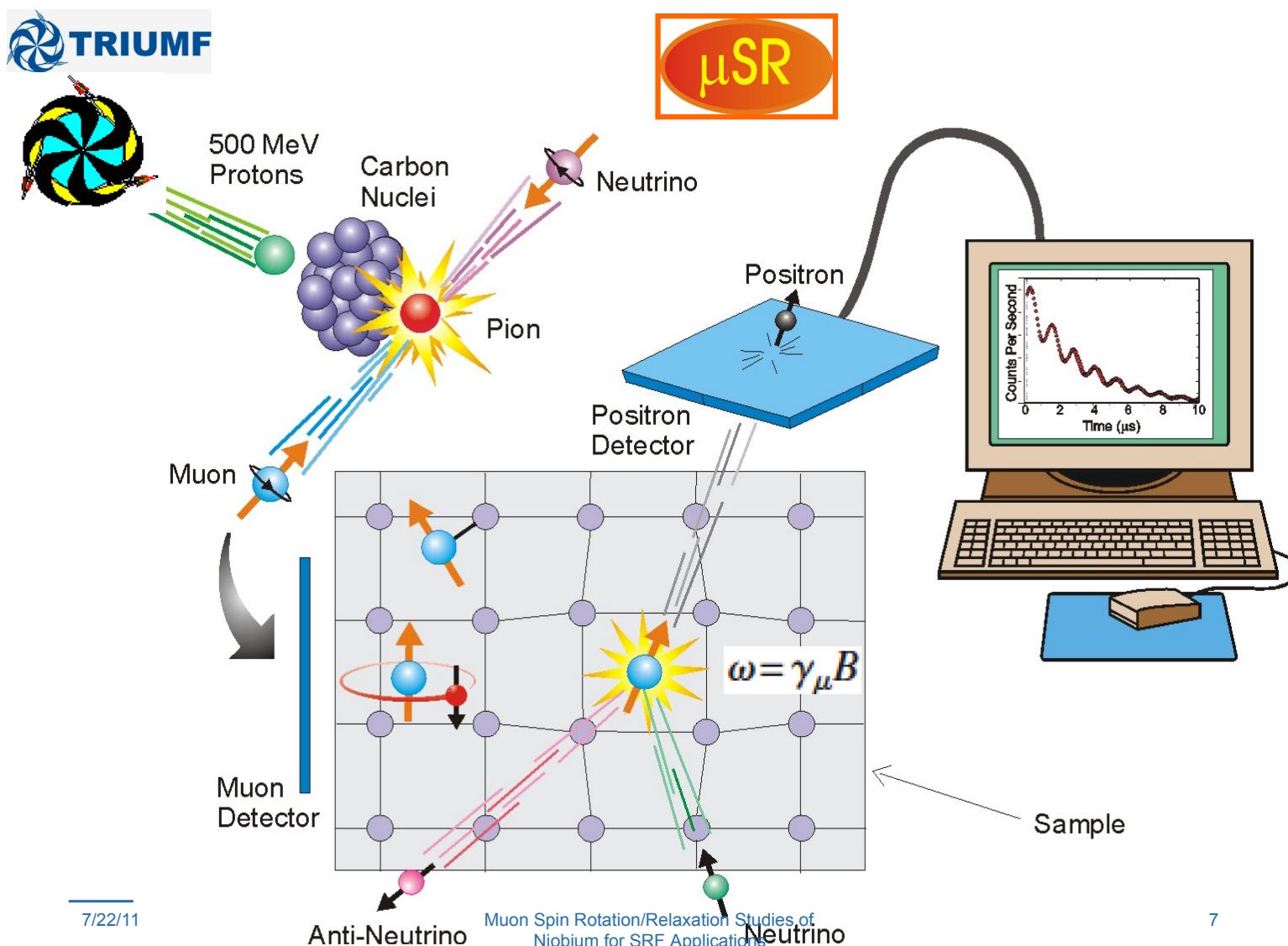
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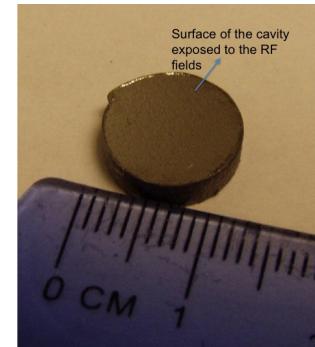
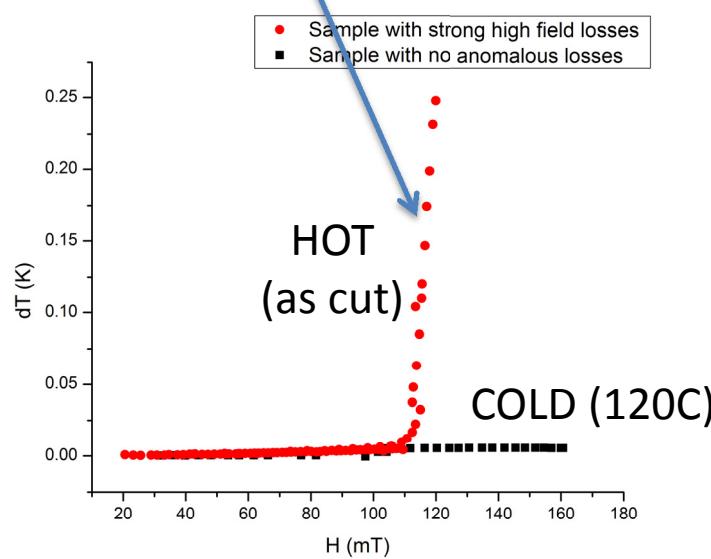
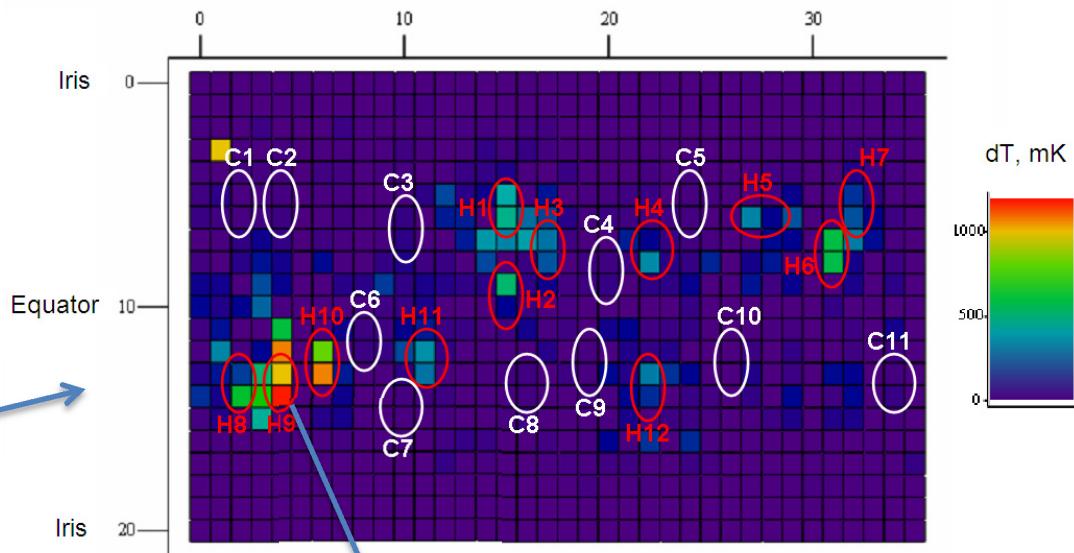
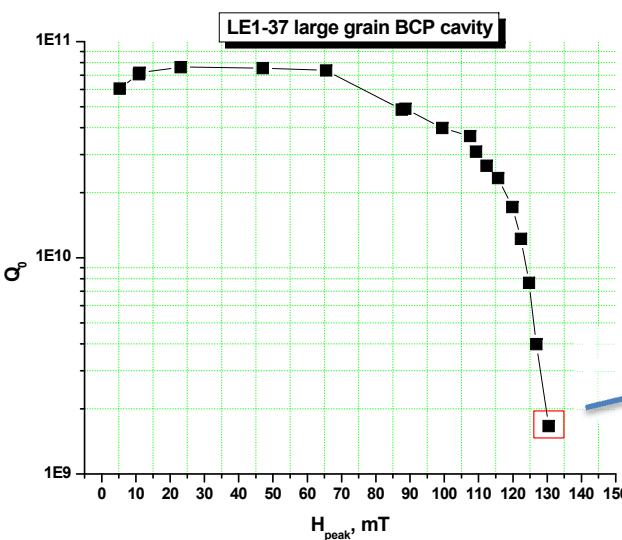


*Steady progress due to basic understanding of limiting phenomena
and invention of effective cures*

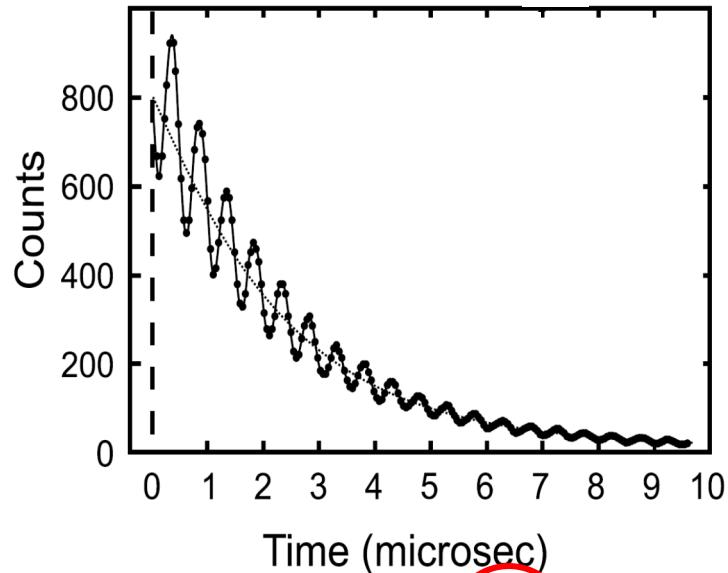
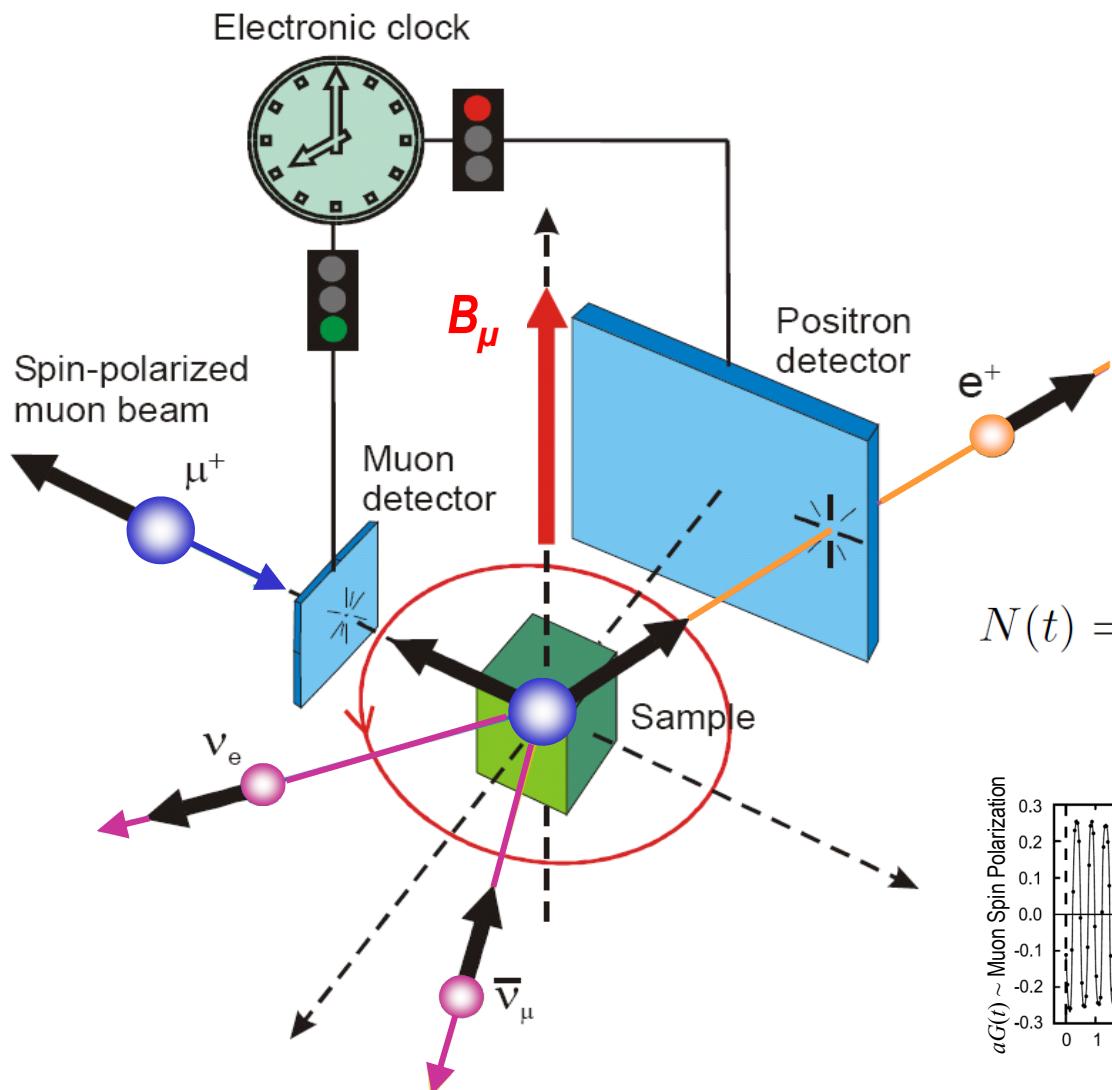


- Why do EP and BCP surfaces produce losses at high field (HFQS)?
- Why does the 120C bake allow to push cavities to higher gradients?
- Why does nitrogen doping lead to a reverse field dependence and higher Q?



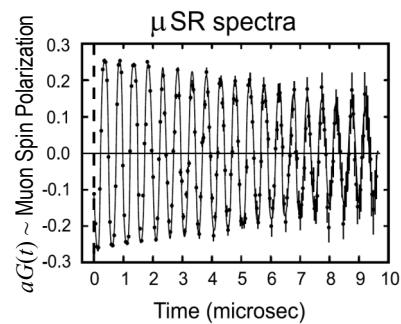


Is HFQS related to magnetic flux penetration or flux depinning?



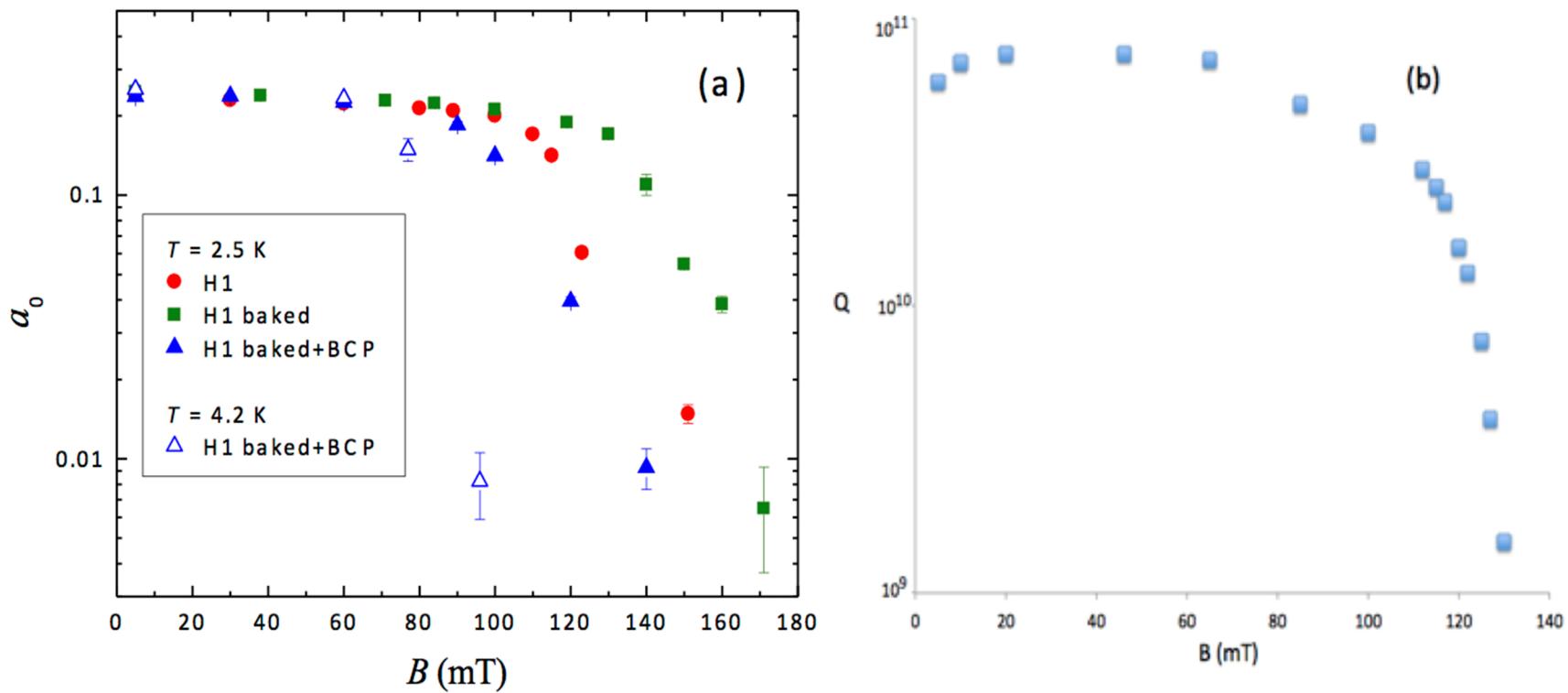
$$N(t) = N_0 \exp(-t/\tau_\mu) [1 + a G(t)] + \text{Bkg}$$

Contains physics

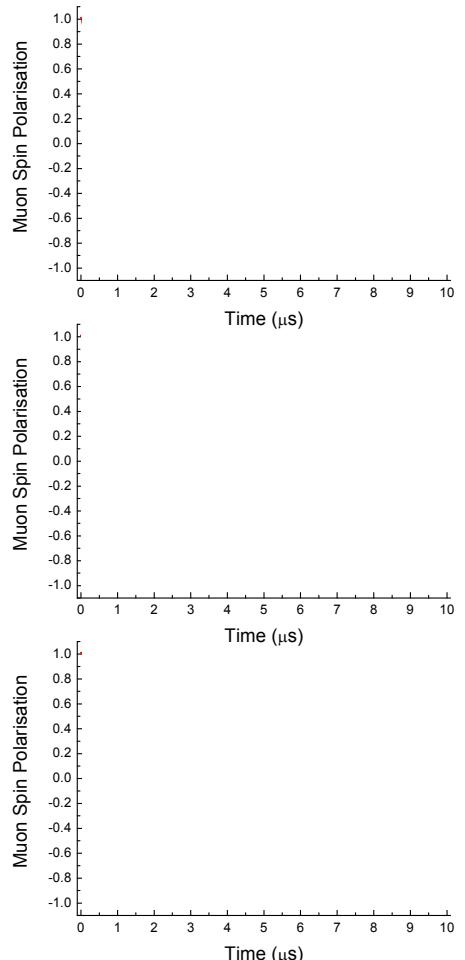
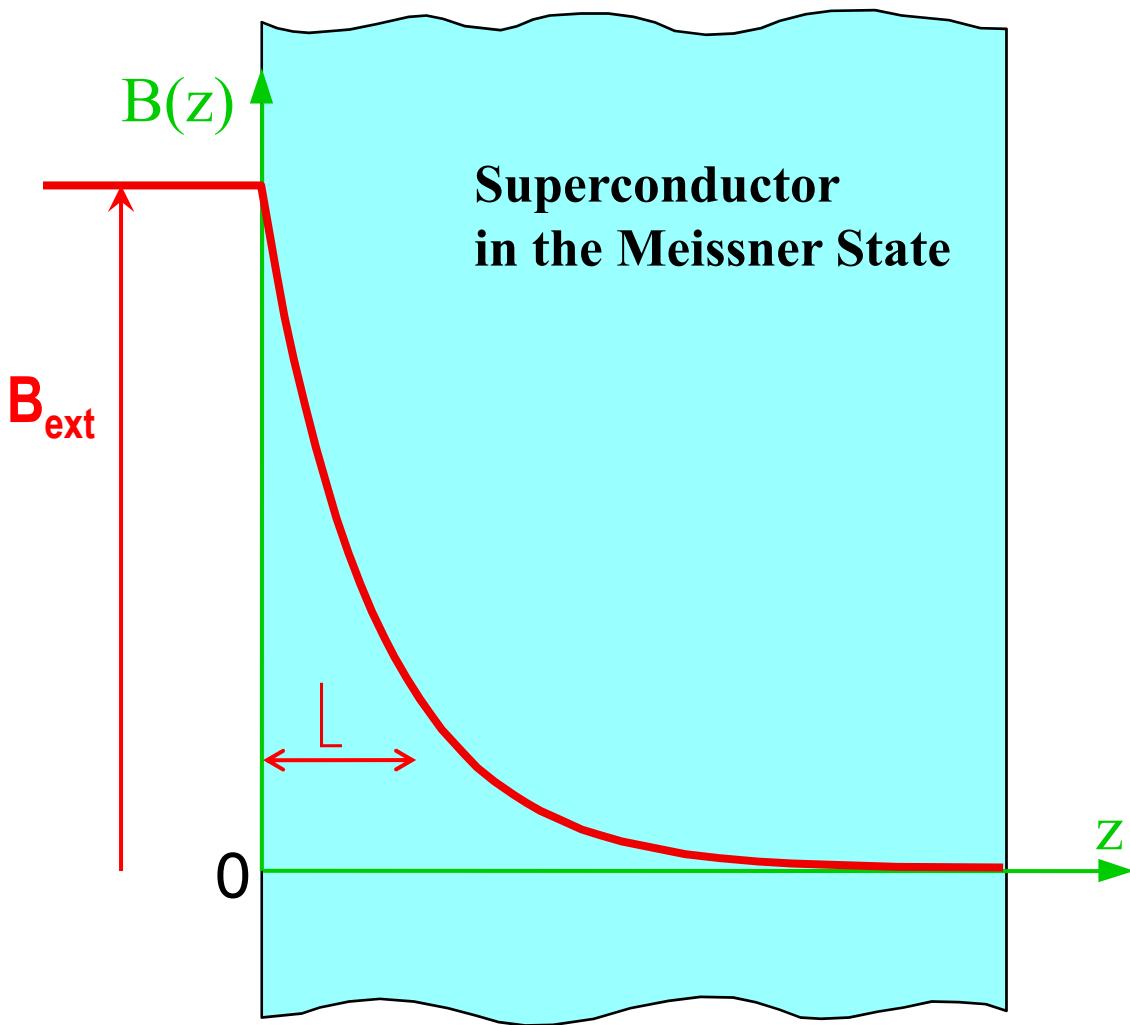


$$\omega_\mu(z) = \gamma_\mu B_{\text{loc}}(z)$$

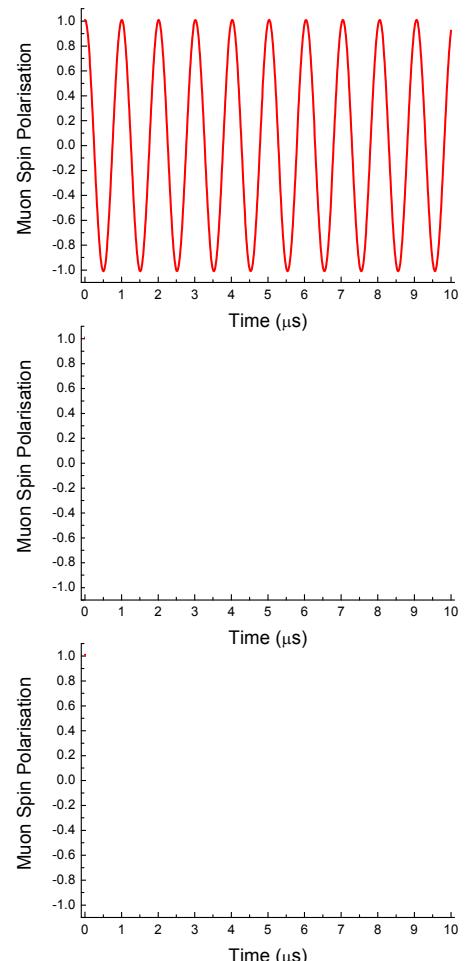
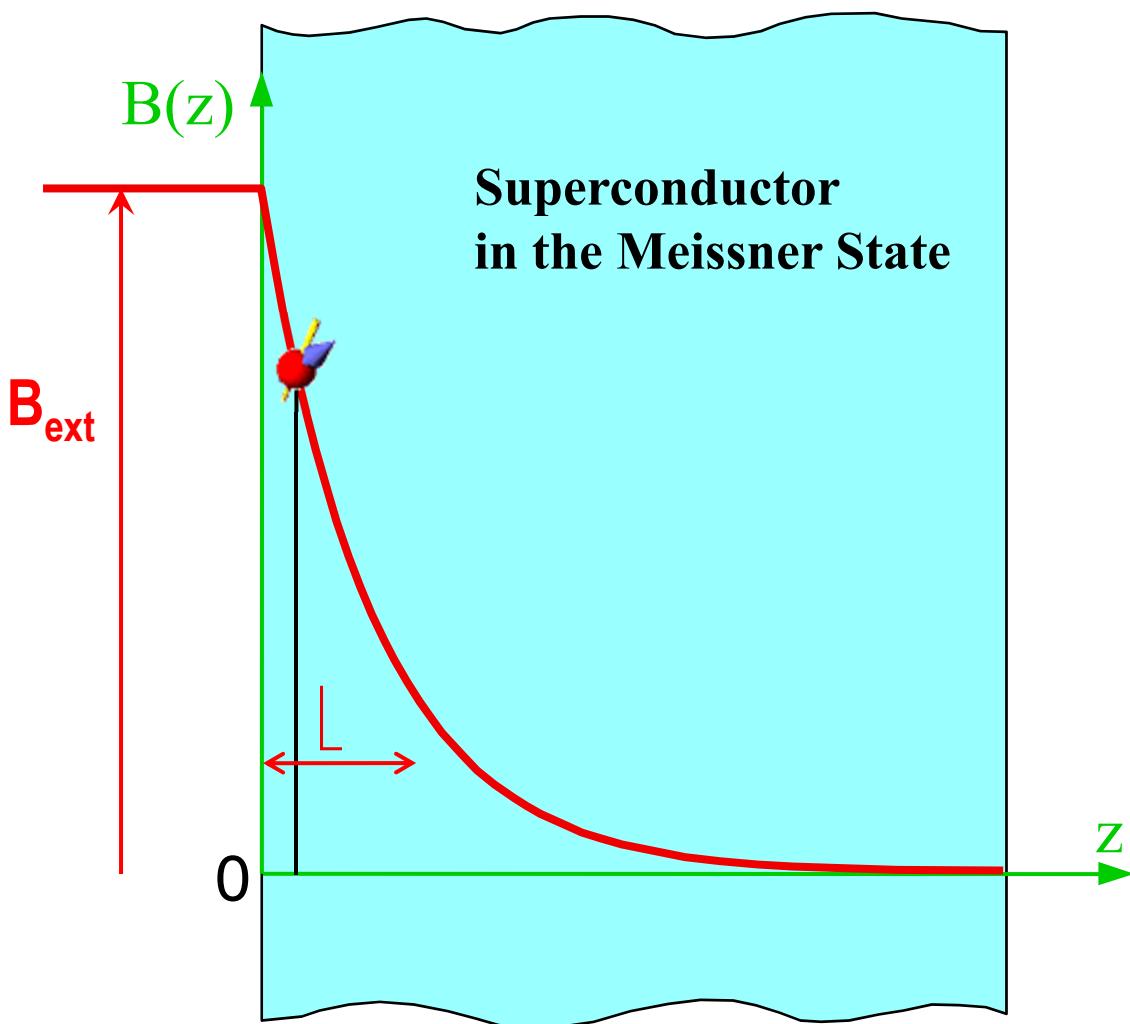
Frequency – field amplitude
Damping – field non-uniformity



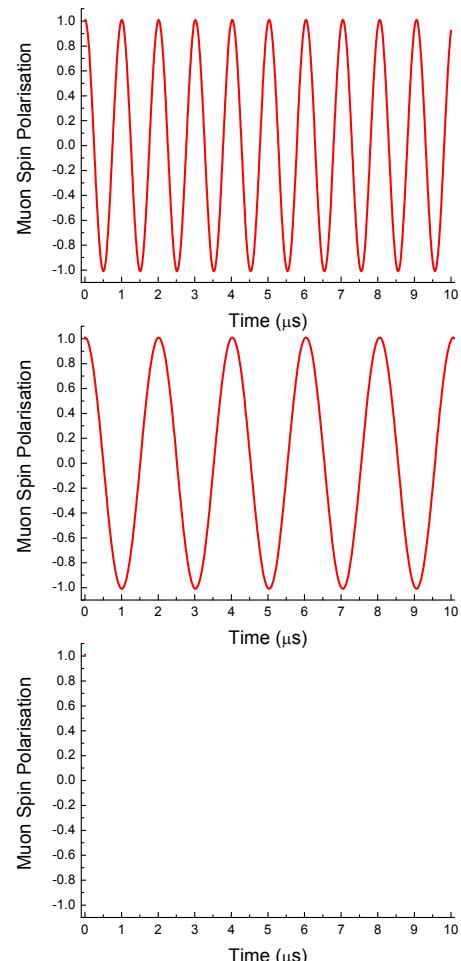
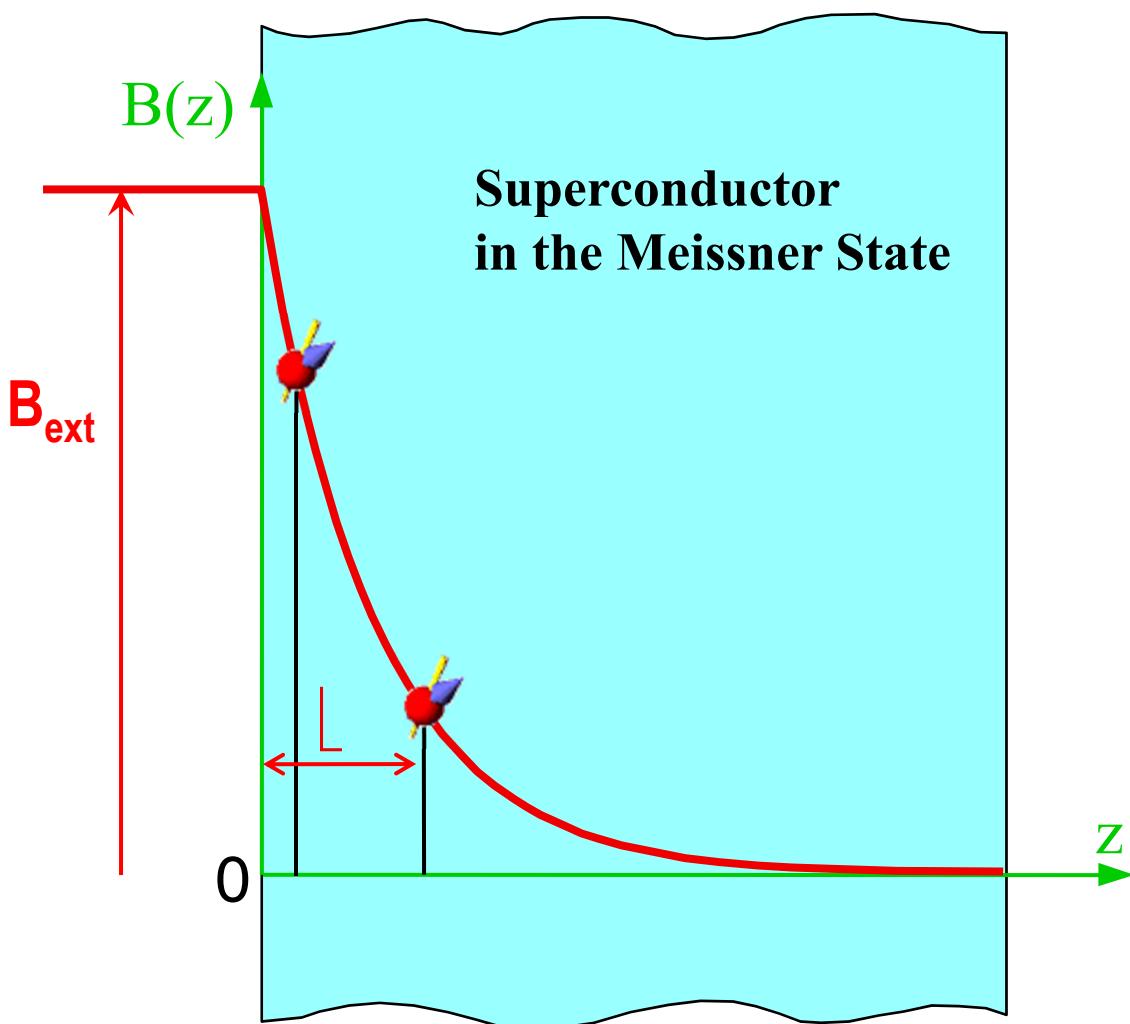
- Strong correlation between field at which magnetic flux starts being detected by muons and onset of HFQS
- Hinting towards mechanism behind the 120C bake being the increase in surface pinning, effectively delaying flux entry or flux depinning



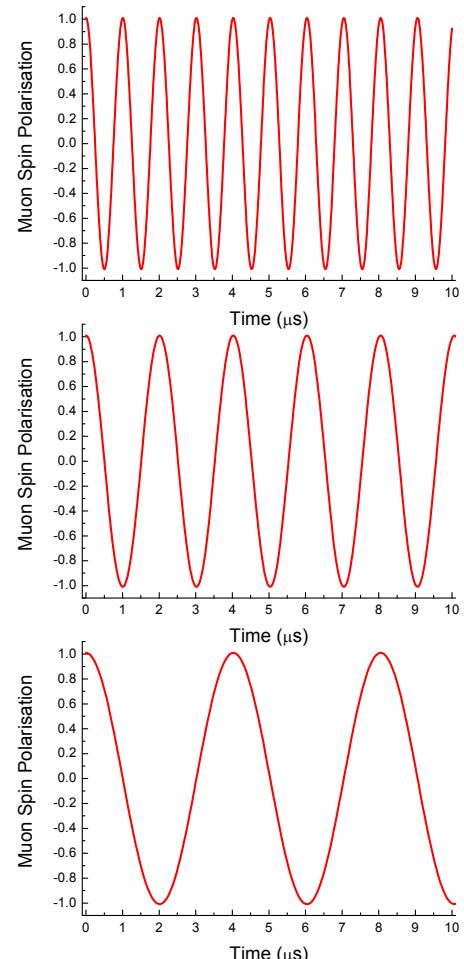
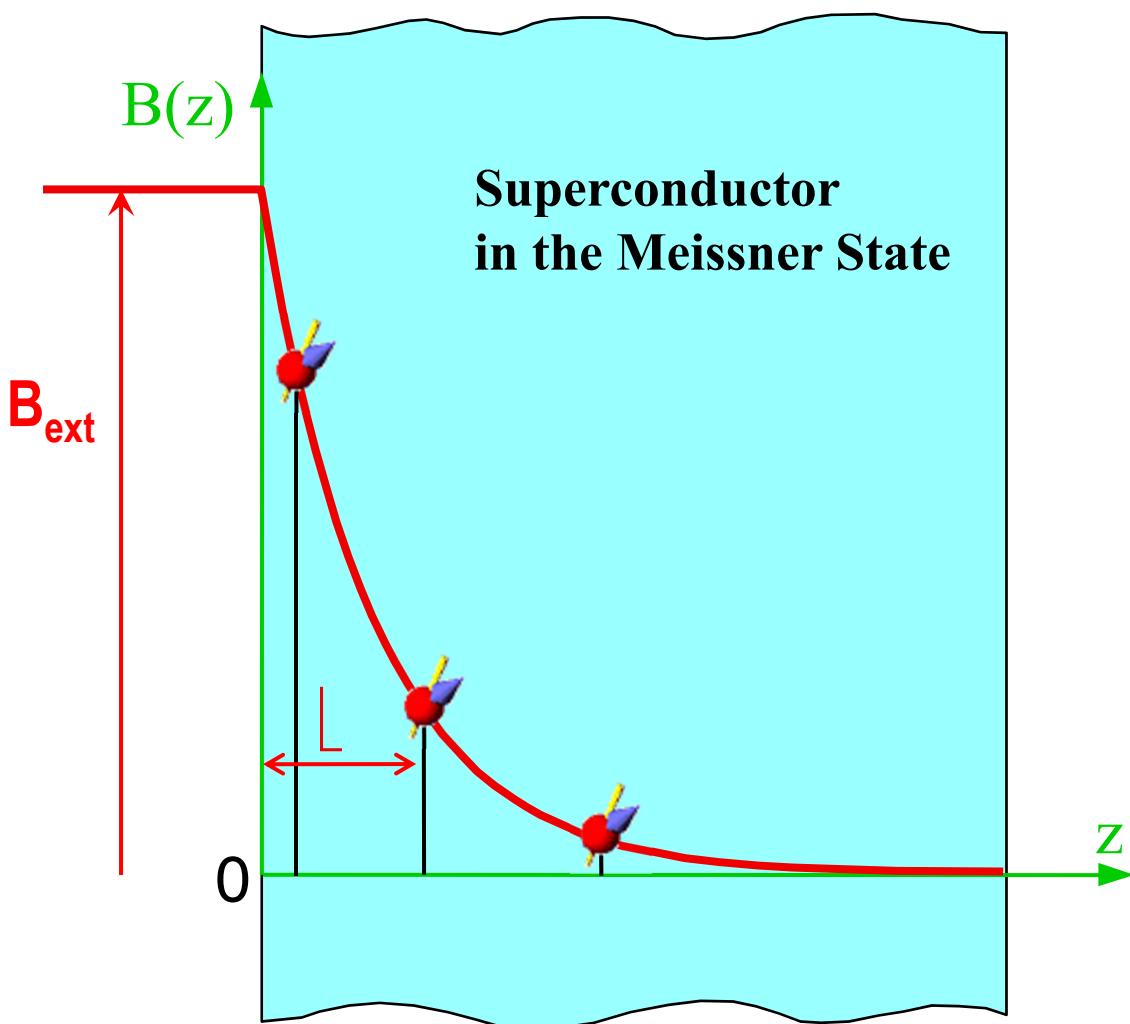
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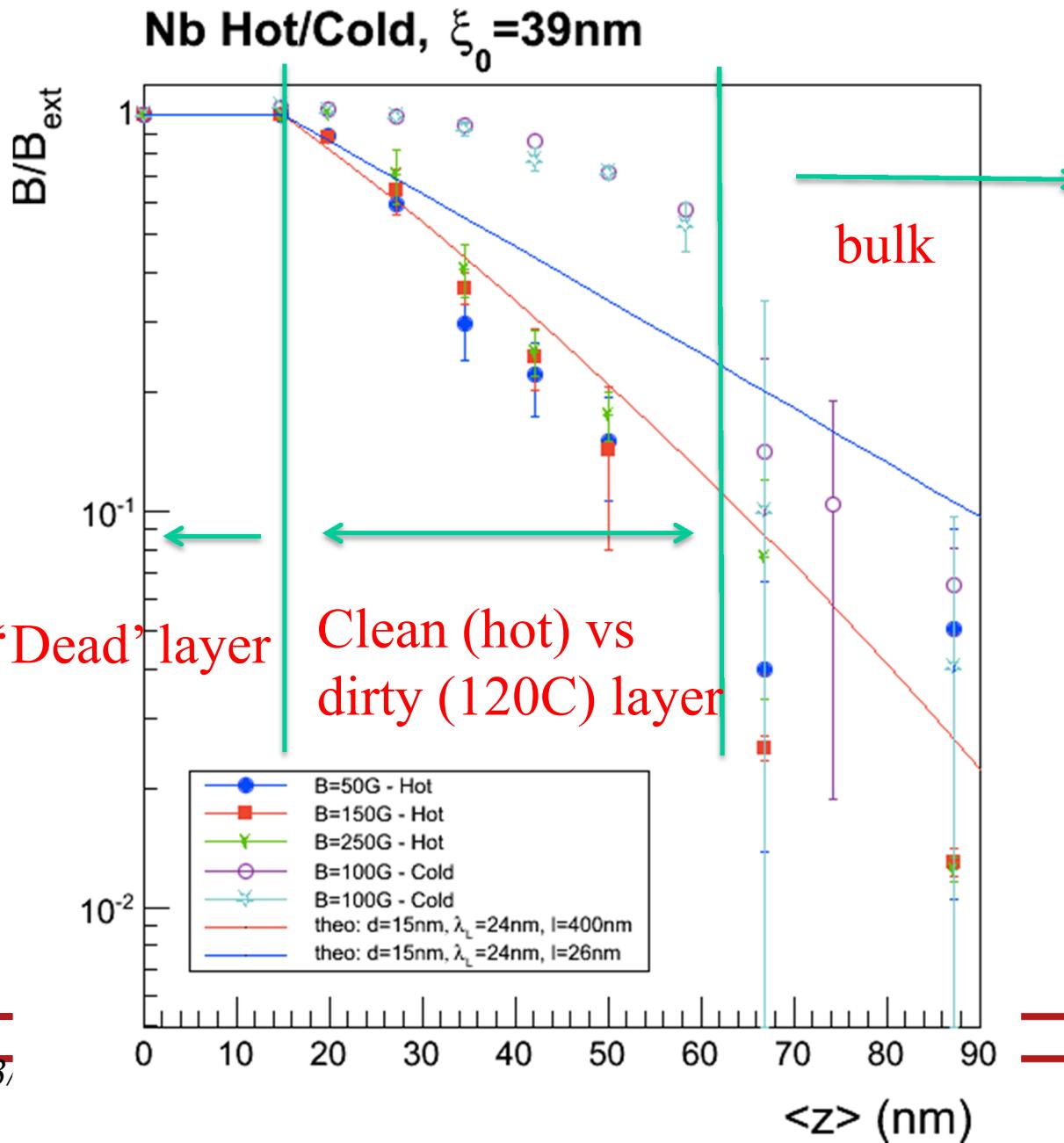
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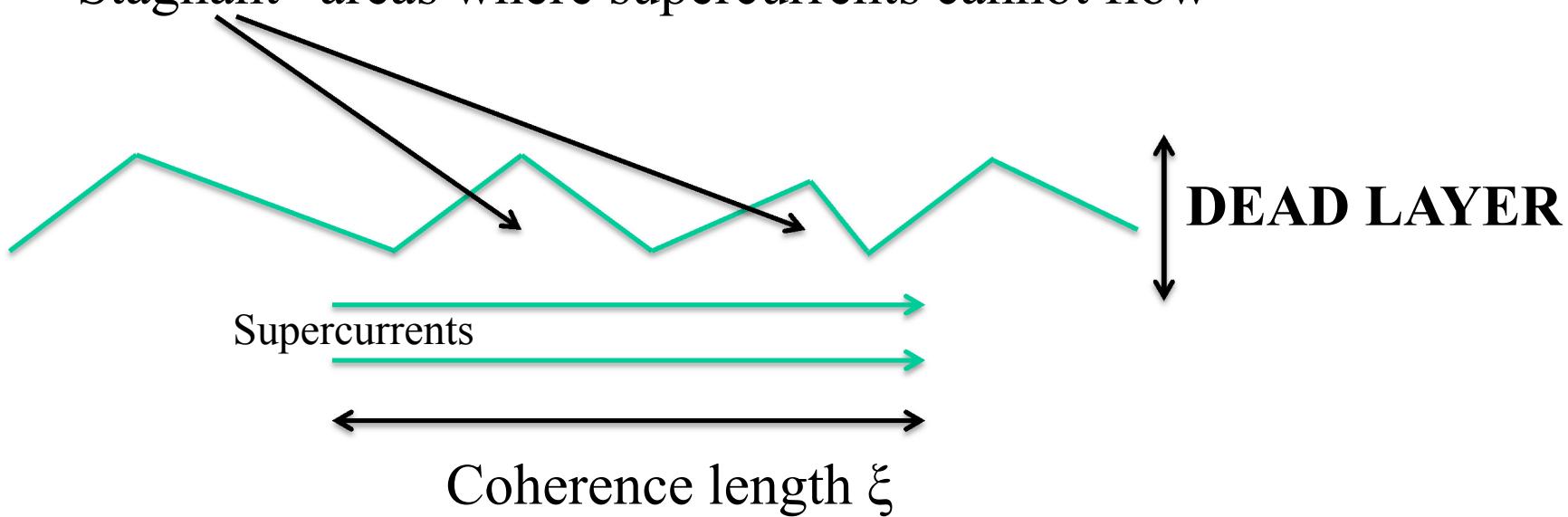


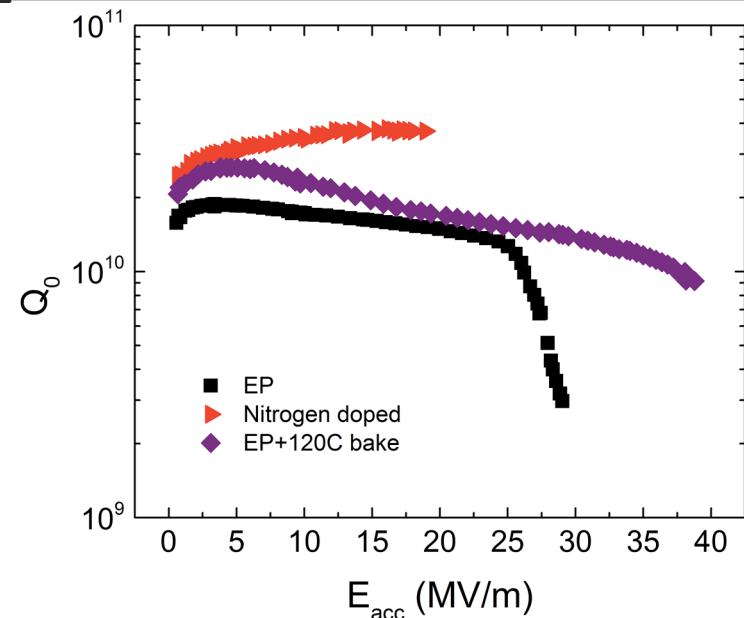
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NANOROUGHNESS: roughness of the order or smaller than the coherence length

“Stagnant” areas where supercurrents cannot flow

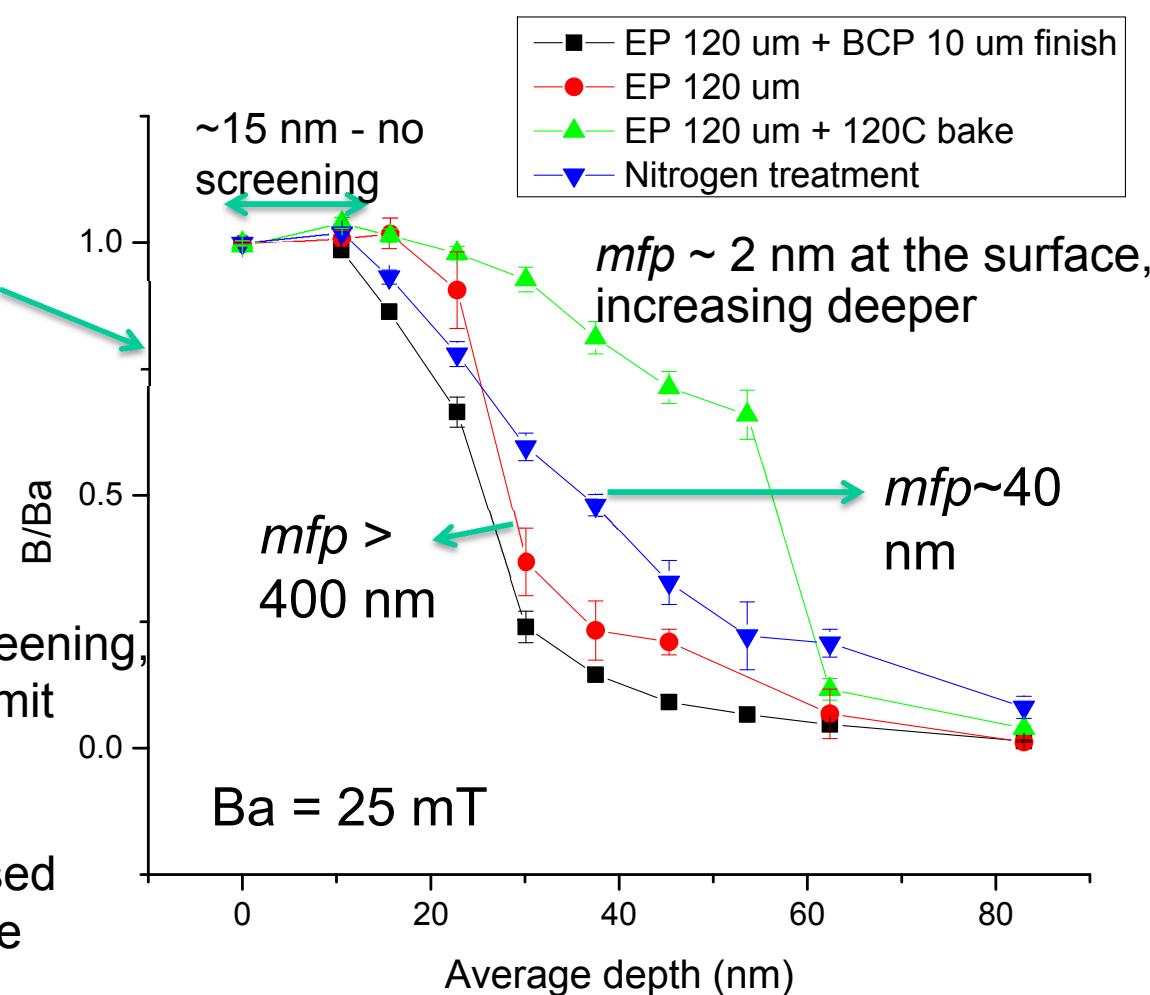




BCP and EP unbaked \rightarrow strong screening,
excellent fit provided by the clean limit
Pippard/BCS model

EP+120C bake \rightarrow strongly suppressed
m.f.p., gradient of the m.f.p. from the
surface, dirty limit

N-doped \rightarrow intermediate purity!



Fit by Gaussian model for the field at the muon site –
approximate, qualitative comparison

- Muon Spin Rotation experiments on SRF cavities cutouts have brought new insights on the physics of niobium RF surface resistance
- Learned that enhancing surface pinning might be a pathway to increase achievable gradients and that doping with the right amount of impurities lowers the mfp just to the right value to increase cavity efficiency
- Fundamental understanding is key to further advance technology

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