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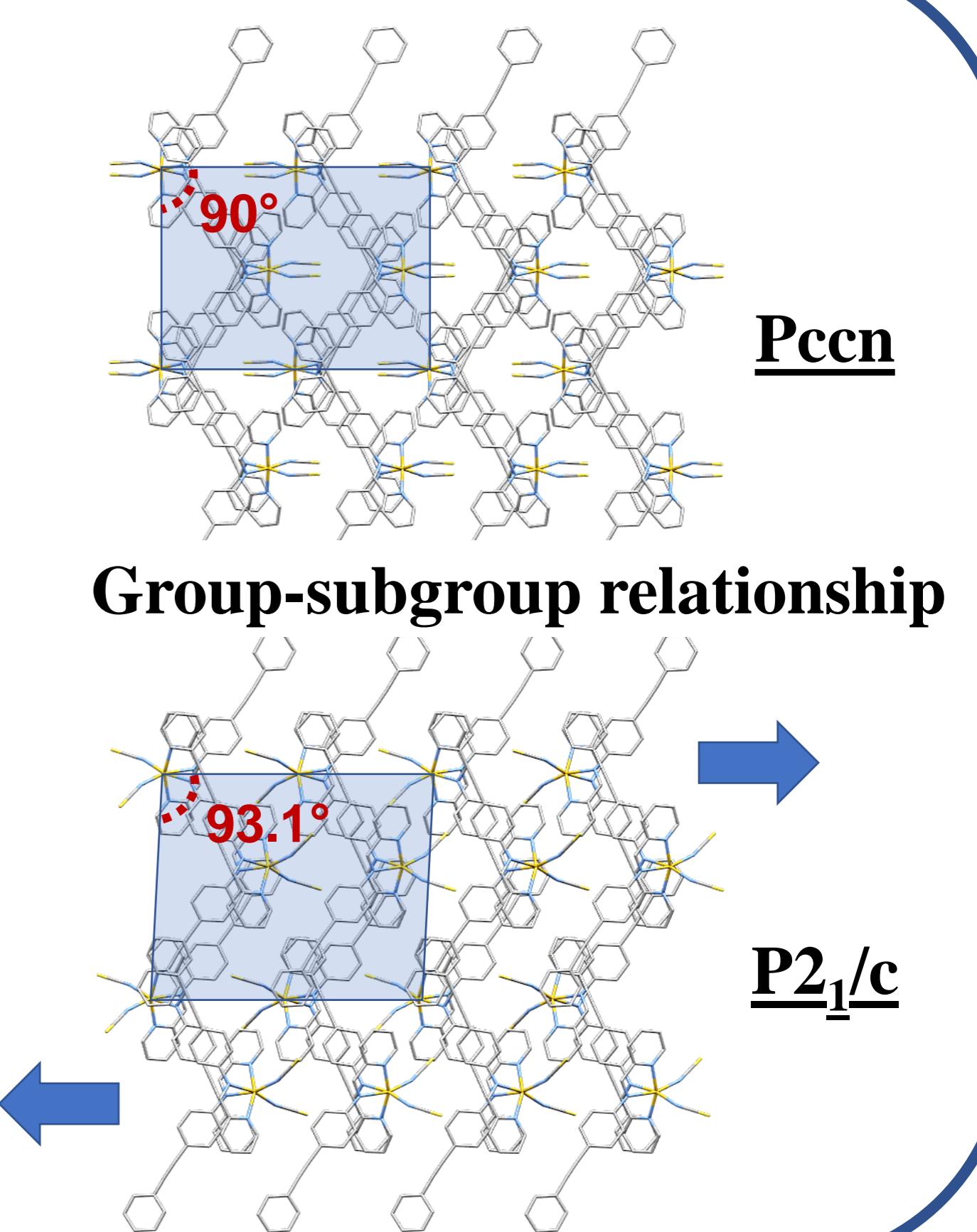
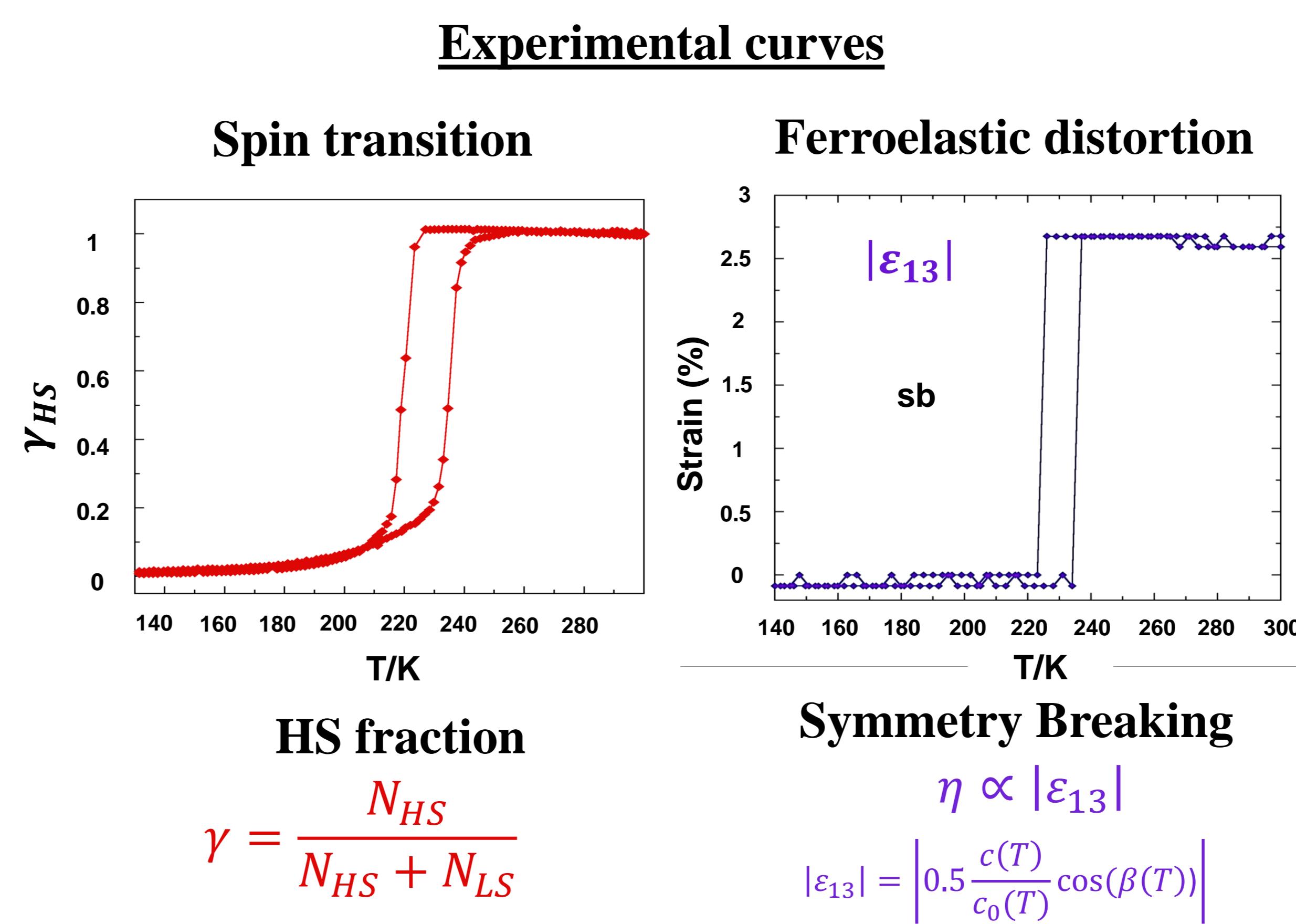
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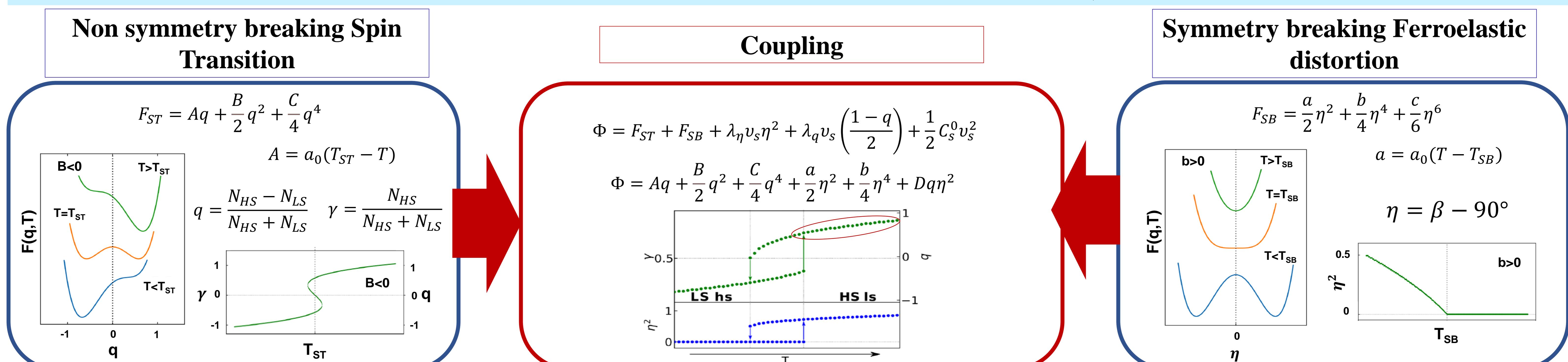
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Fe(PM-PEA)₂(NCS)₂

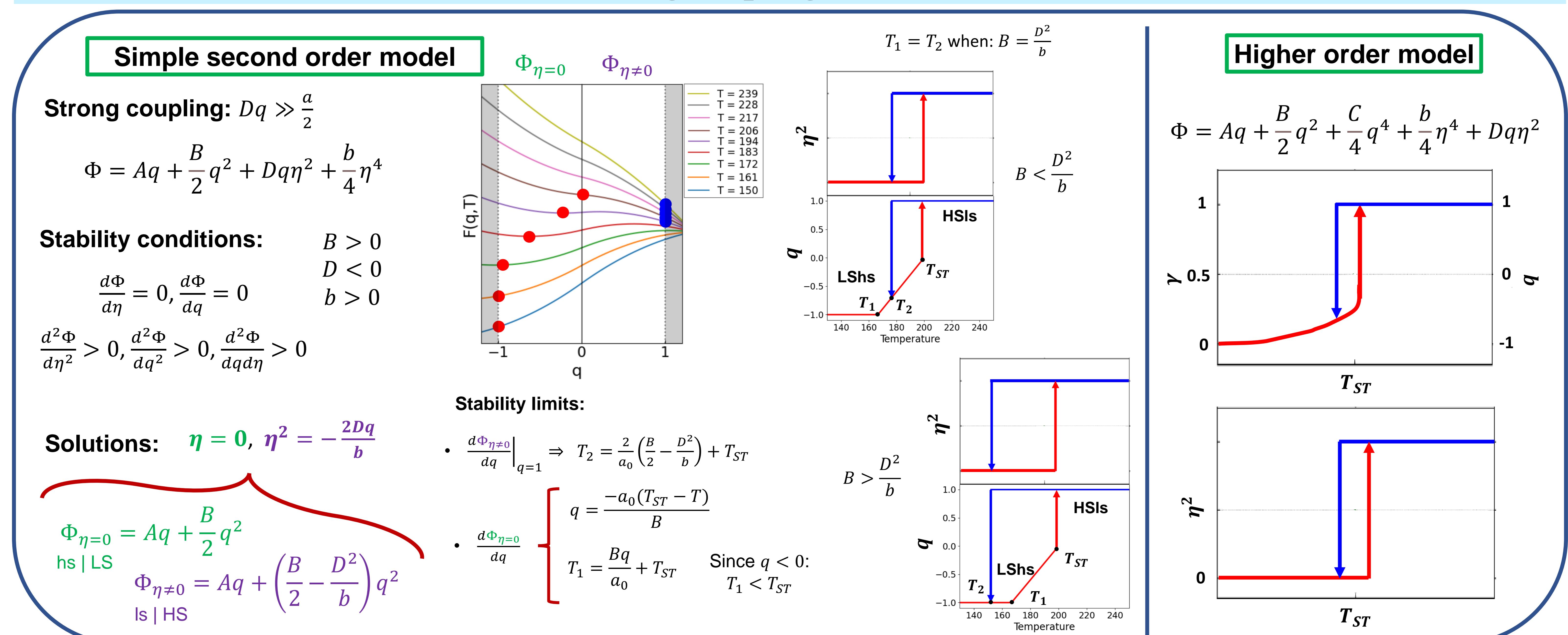
- SCO mononuclear complex.
- Spin transition → Unsymmetric hysteresis loop.
- Unusual behavior:**
 - Low T, low-spin (LS) phase is high symmetry (hs): Orthorhombic Pccn
 - High T, high-spin (HS) phase is low symmetry (ls): Monoclinic P2₁/c
- Motivation:**
 - Understand:
 - Coupling (symmetry breaking ferroelastic distortion and non symmetry breaking spin transition)
 - HS ls and LS hs phases



Previous Theoretical Model (Collet & Azzolina, 2021)



Strong coupling limit model



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