

Magnetoplasmon resonance in a two-dimensional electron system driven into a zero-resistance state

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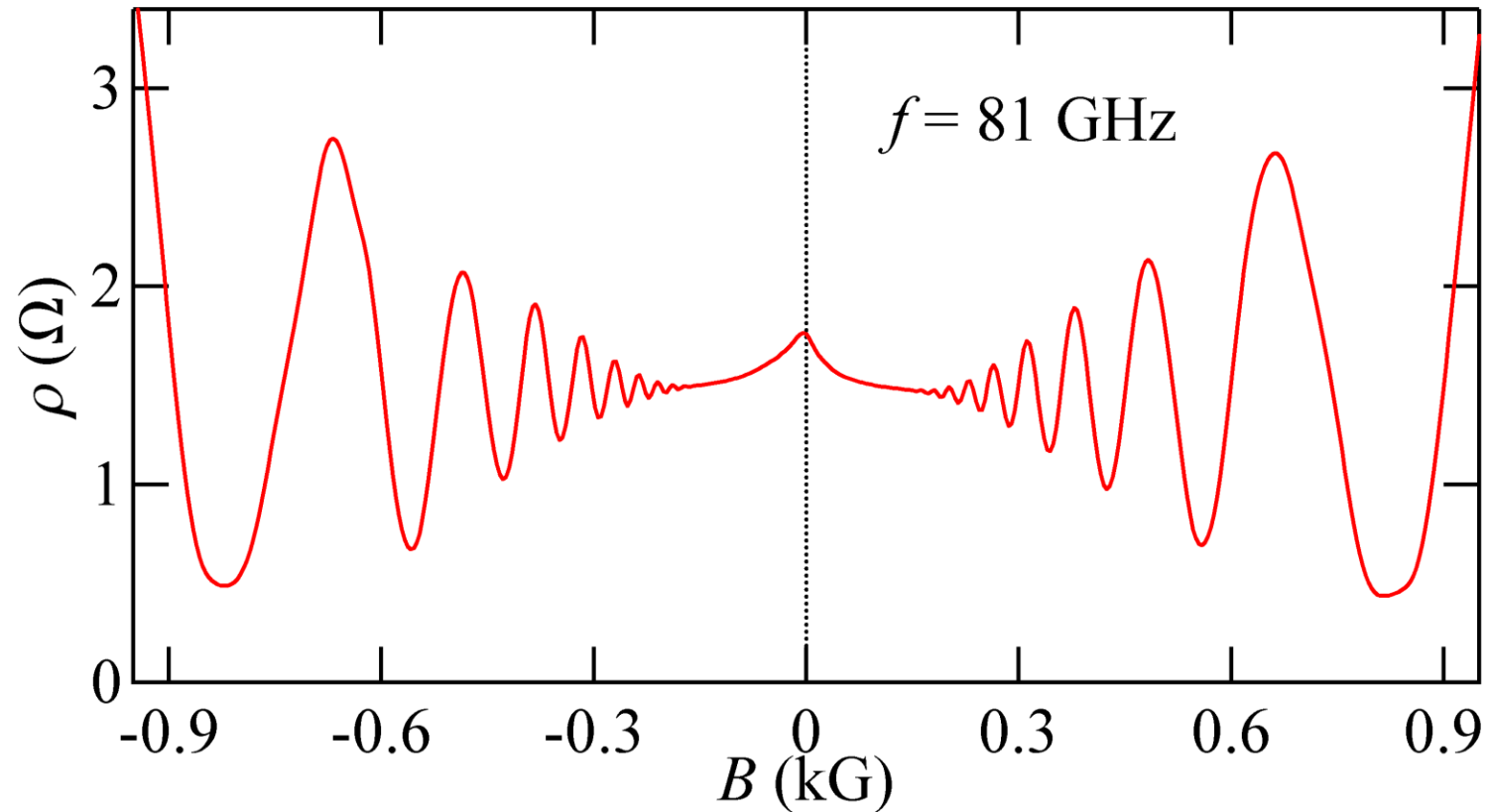
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Microwave-induced resistance oscillations



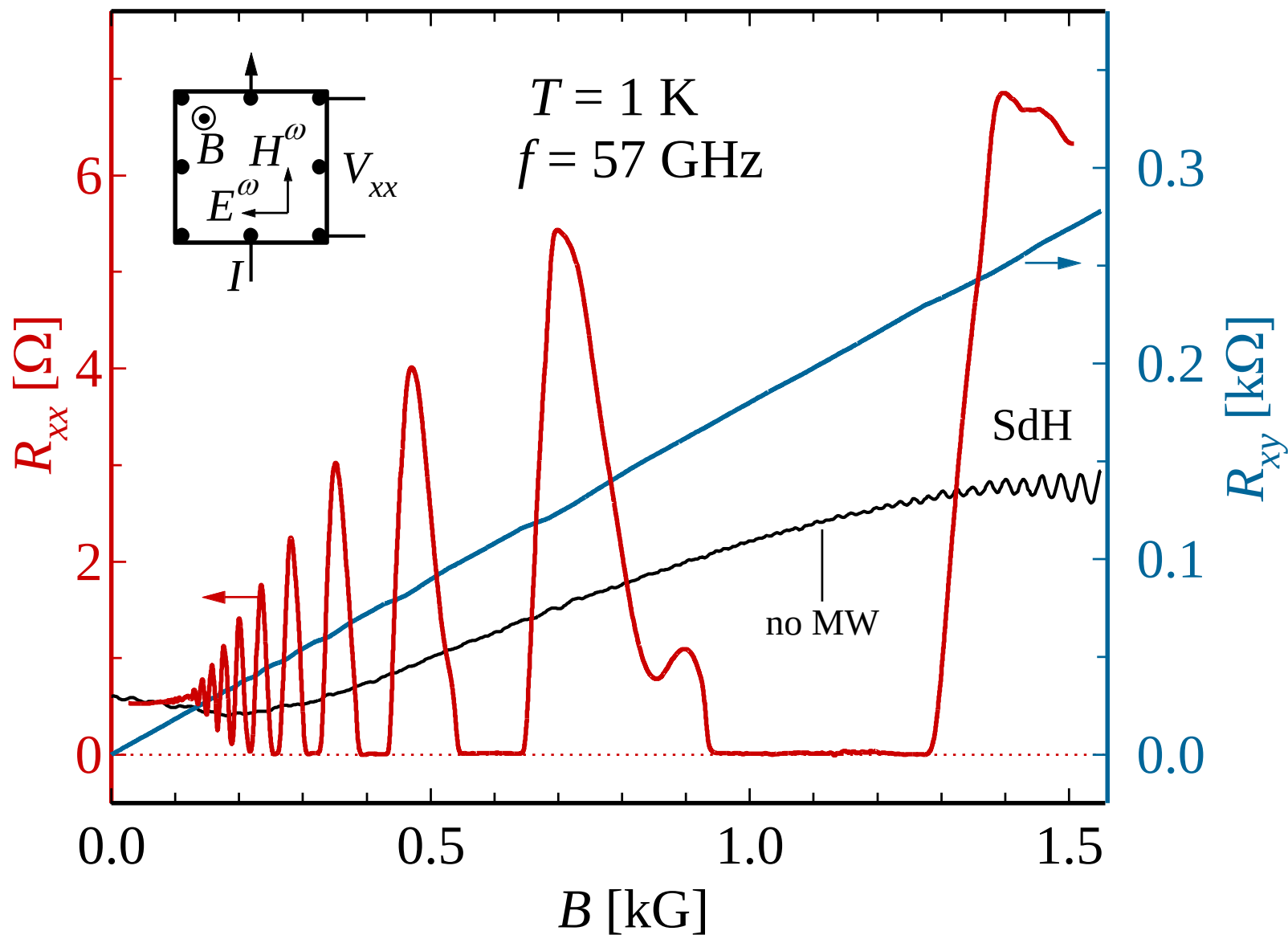
- MIRO are controlled by:

$$\epsilon \equiv \frac{\omega}{\omega_c} = \frac{2\pi m^* f}{e B}$$

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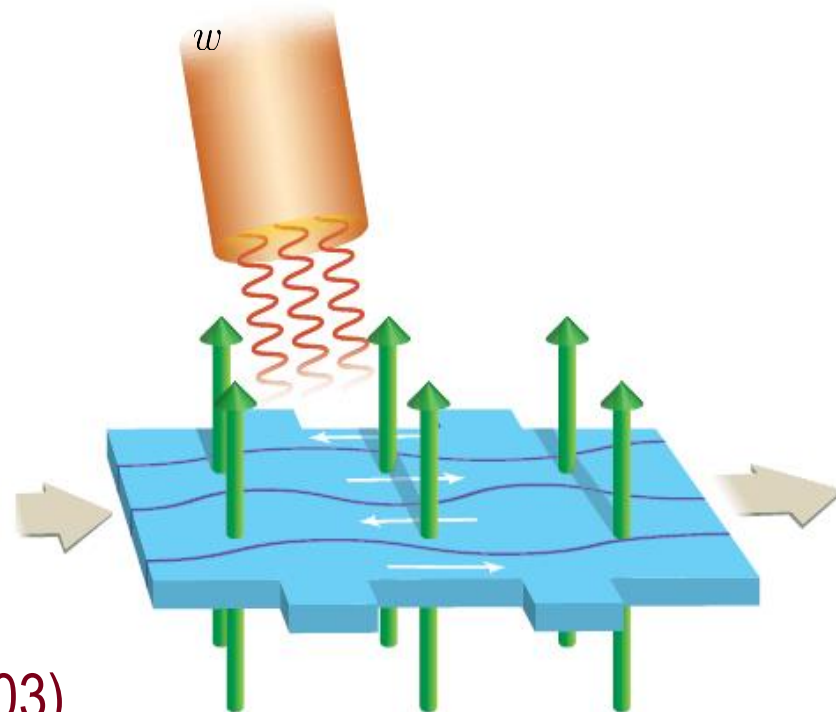
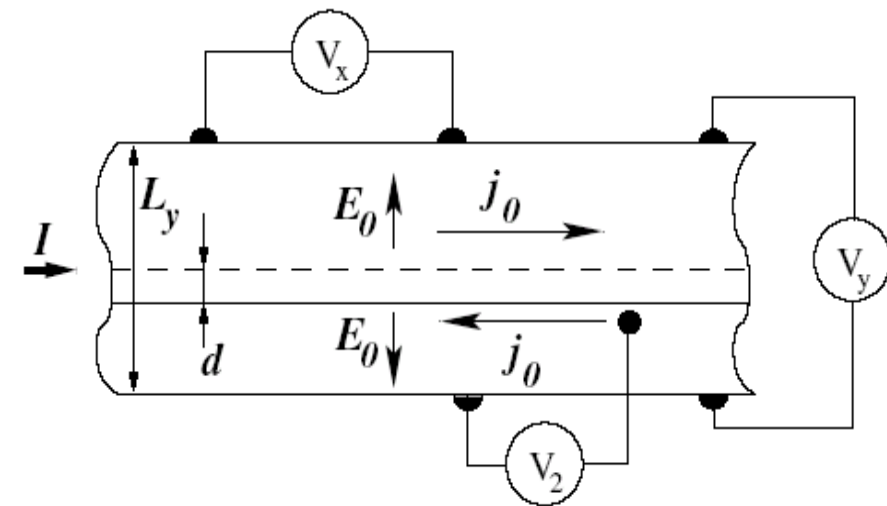
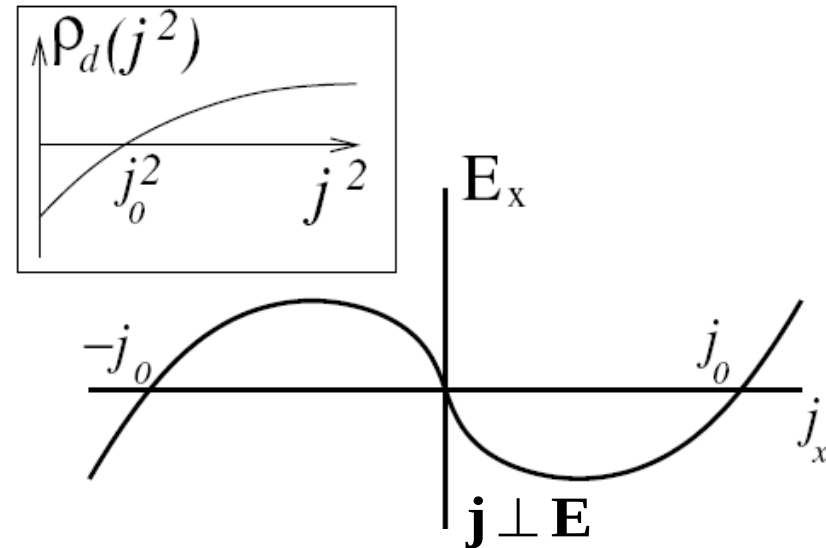
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Zero-resistance states (ZRS)

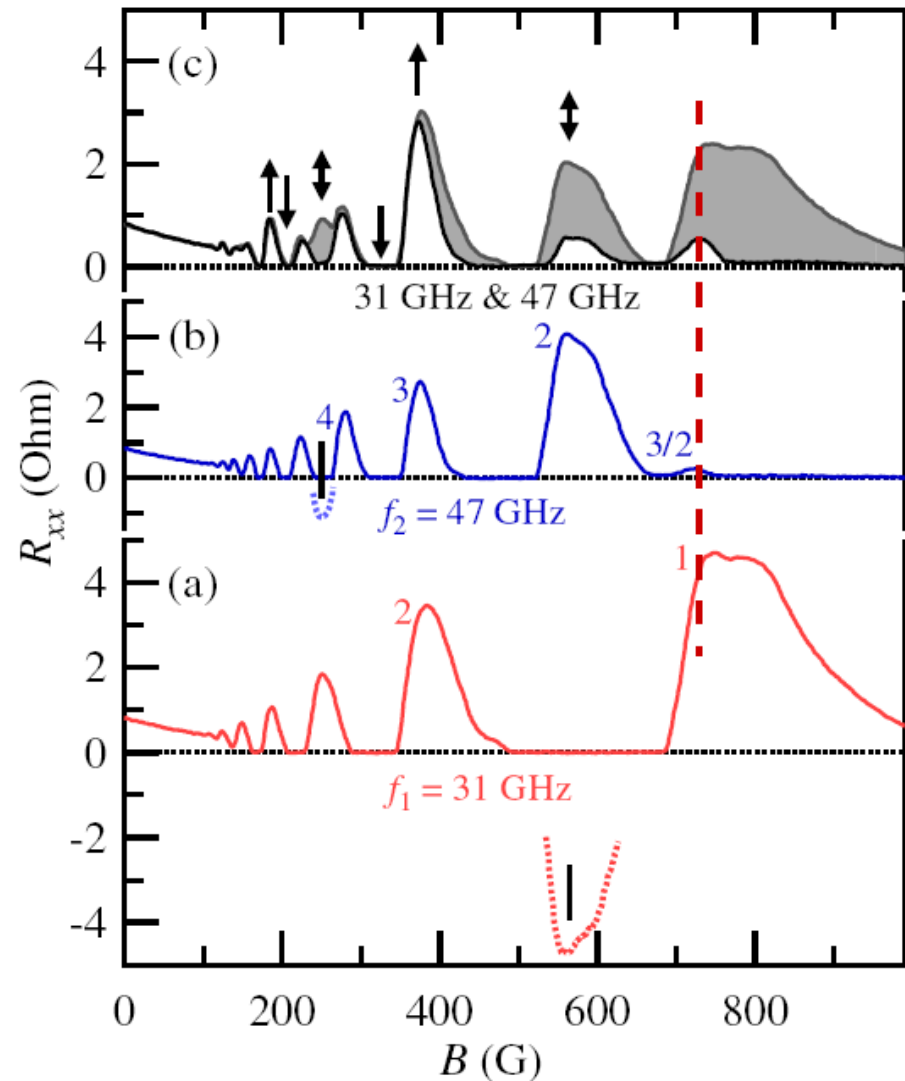
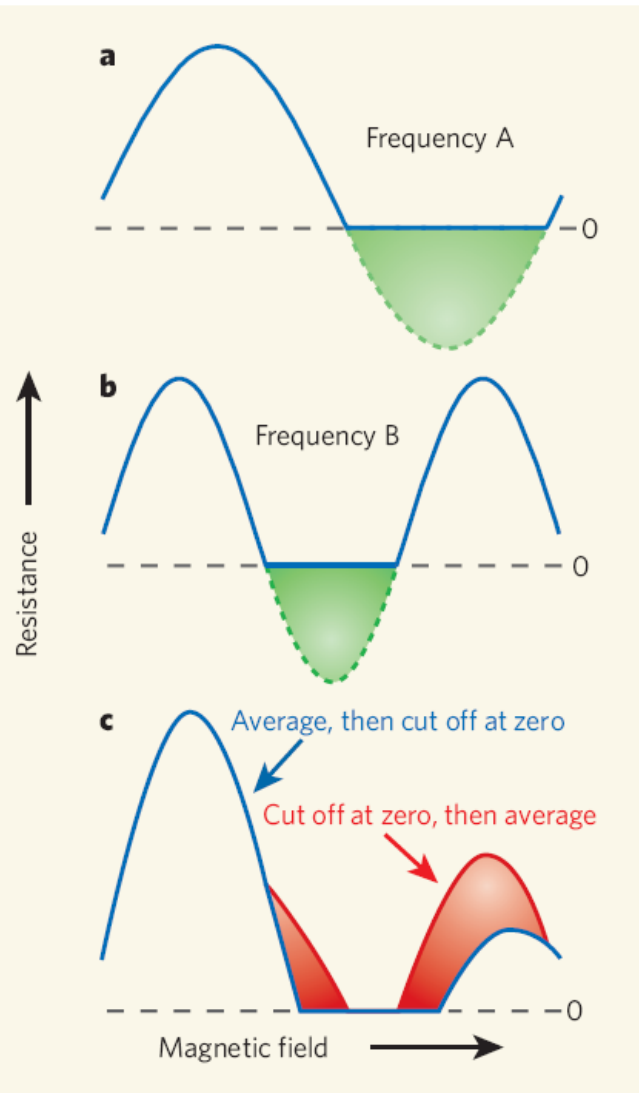


ZRS and current domains

- Current-Voltage curve of irradiated 2DES:
 - **negative resistance** (at low currents)
- **Negative resistance** is unstable! ZRS!
- Current domains with j_0



Studies with bichromatic microwaves



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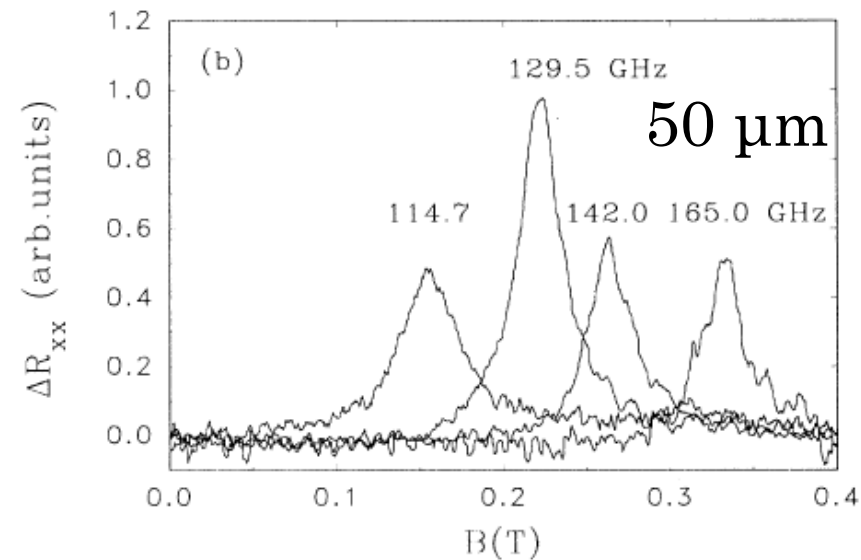
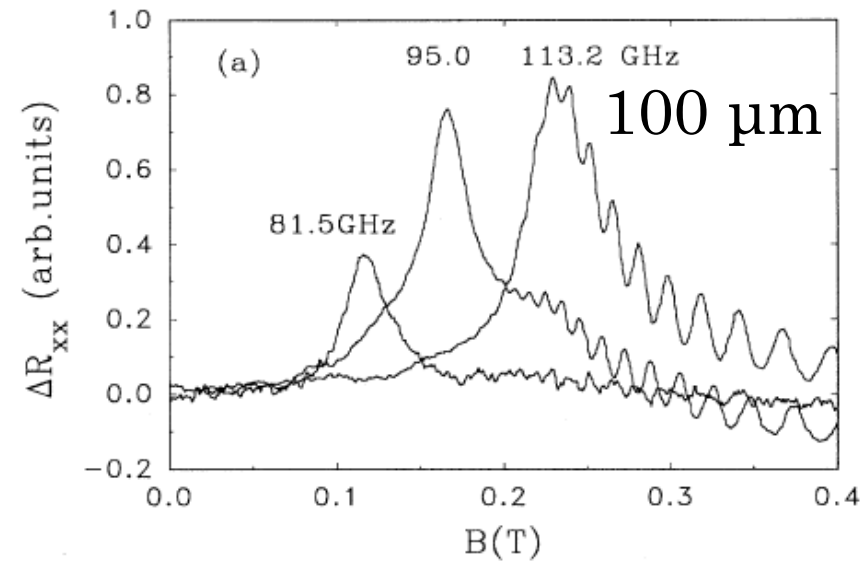
Magnetoplasmon resonance (MPR)

- 2D Plasmon:

$$\omega_p^2 = \frac{e^2 n_e \pi}{2 \epsilon_0 \bar{\epsilon} m^* w}$$

- Magnetoplasmon:

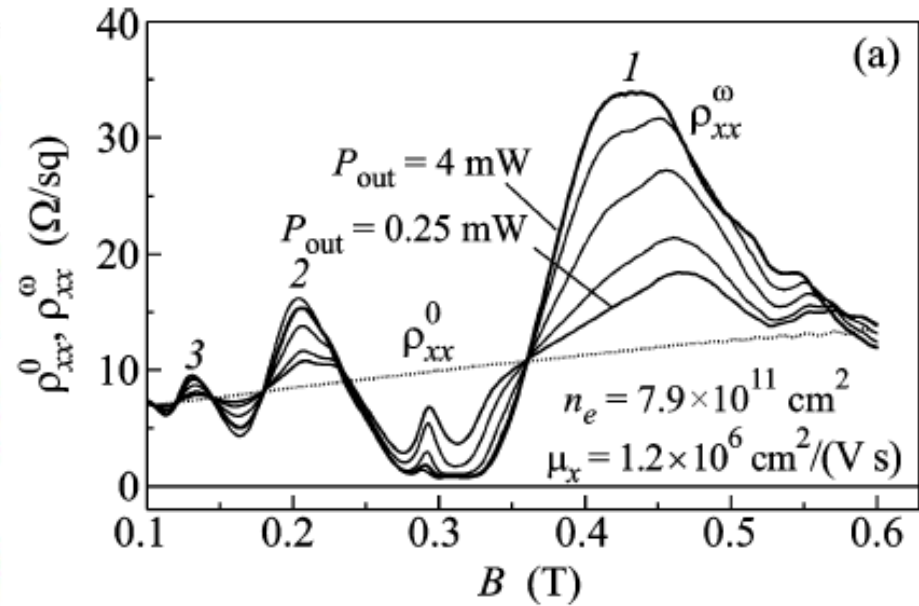
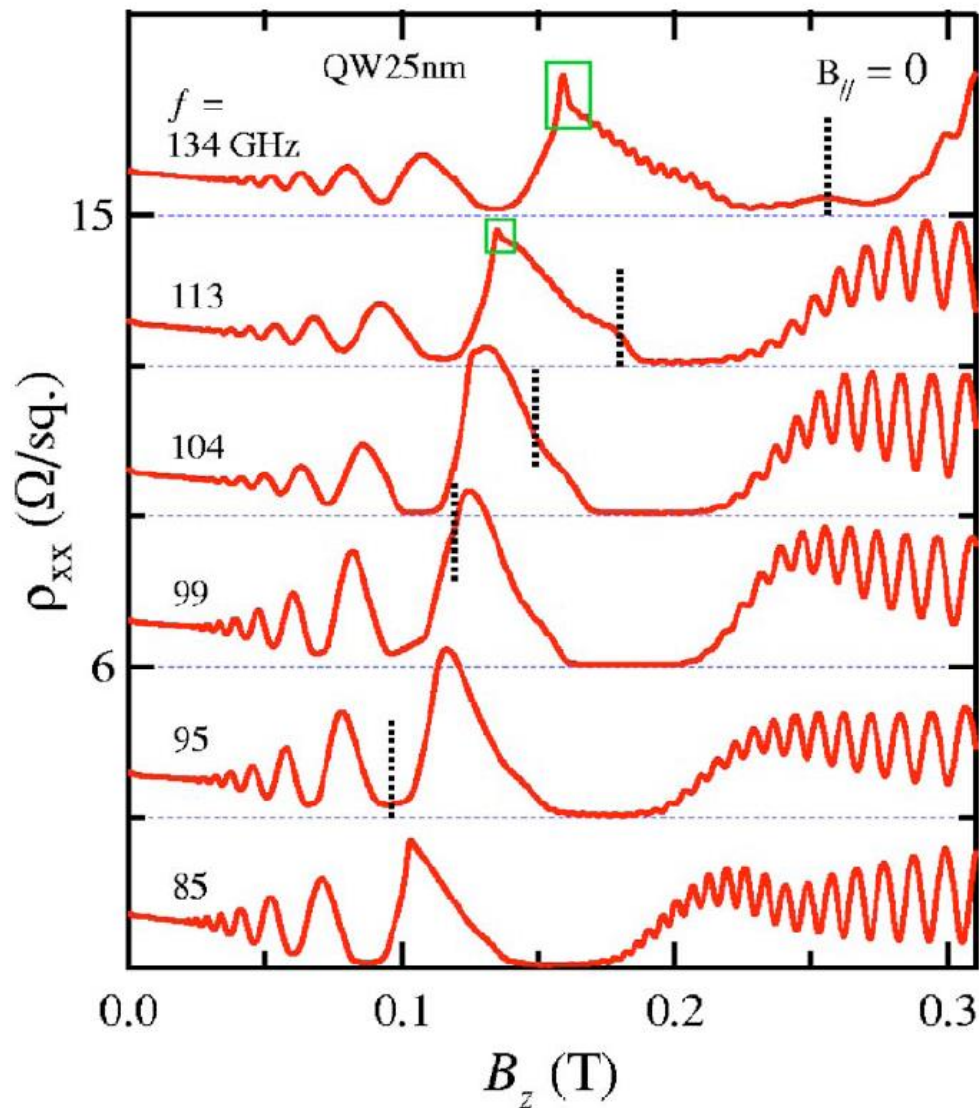
$$\omega^2 = \omega_c^2 + \omega_p^2$$



MPR as a probe of negative resistance?

- Question:
 - Can one use magneto-plasmon resonance to probe absolute negative resistance?
- The tuning:
 - ZRS and MPR have different dispersions:
 - MIRO minimum: $\omega_c = (i + 1/4)^{-1} \omega$
 - MPR: $\omega_c = \sqrt{\omega^2 - \omega_p^2}$
 - One can adjust microwave frequency and overlap MPR and ZRS

Previous observations of MPR/MIRO/ZRS

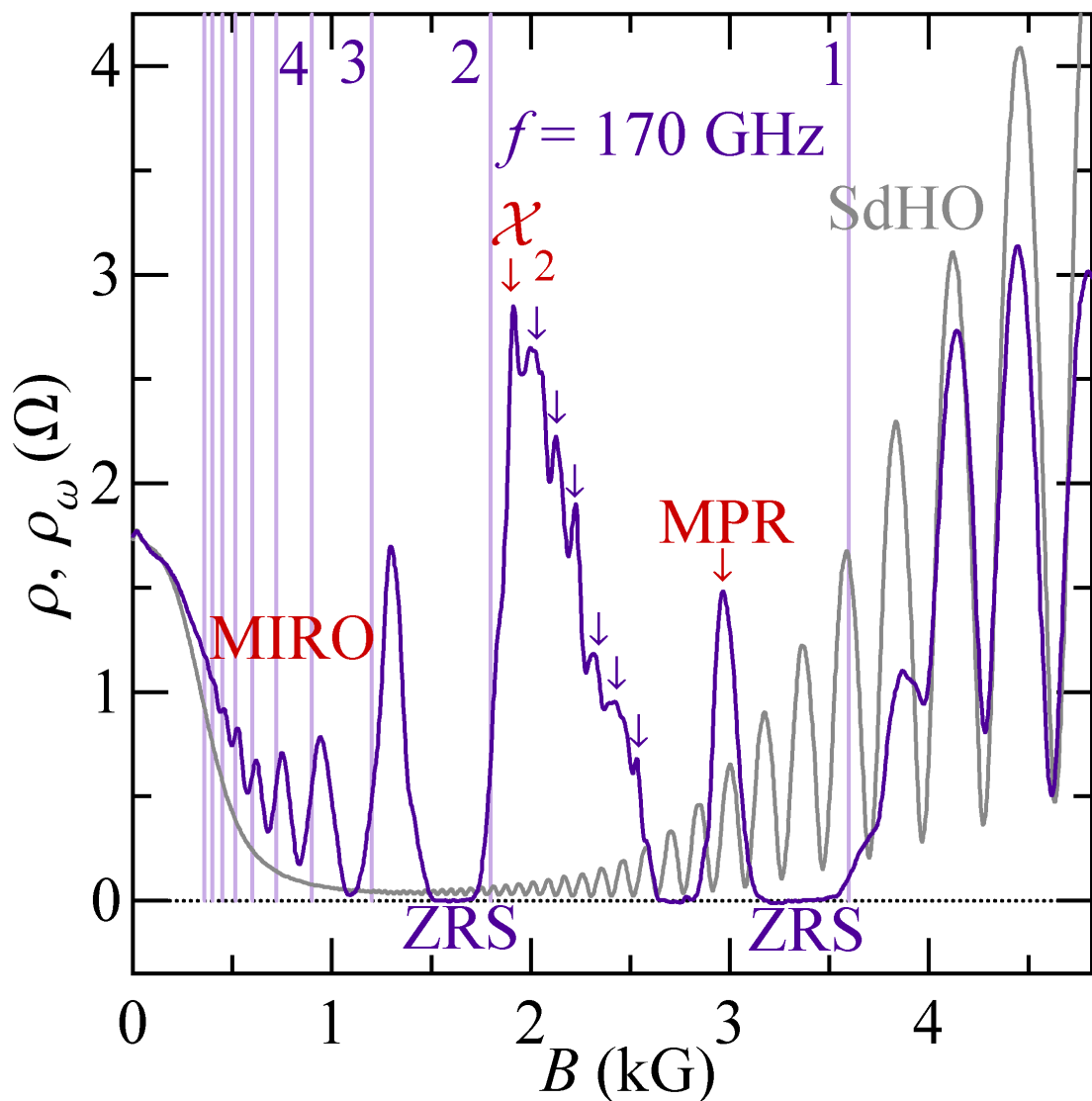


- ZRS is destroyed completely
- even in ultra high mobility samples!

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Unusual properties of the MPR peak



- The MPR peak is:
 - 1). **Strong!**
 - similar to MIRO
 - order of magnitude larger than dark resistance
 - 2). **Narrow!**
 - ZRS is *not* completely destroyed but split into two parts

MPR dispersion

- Dispersion:

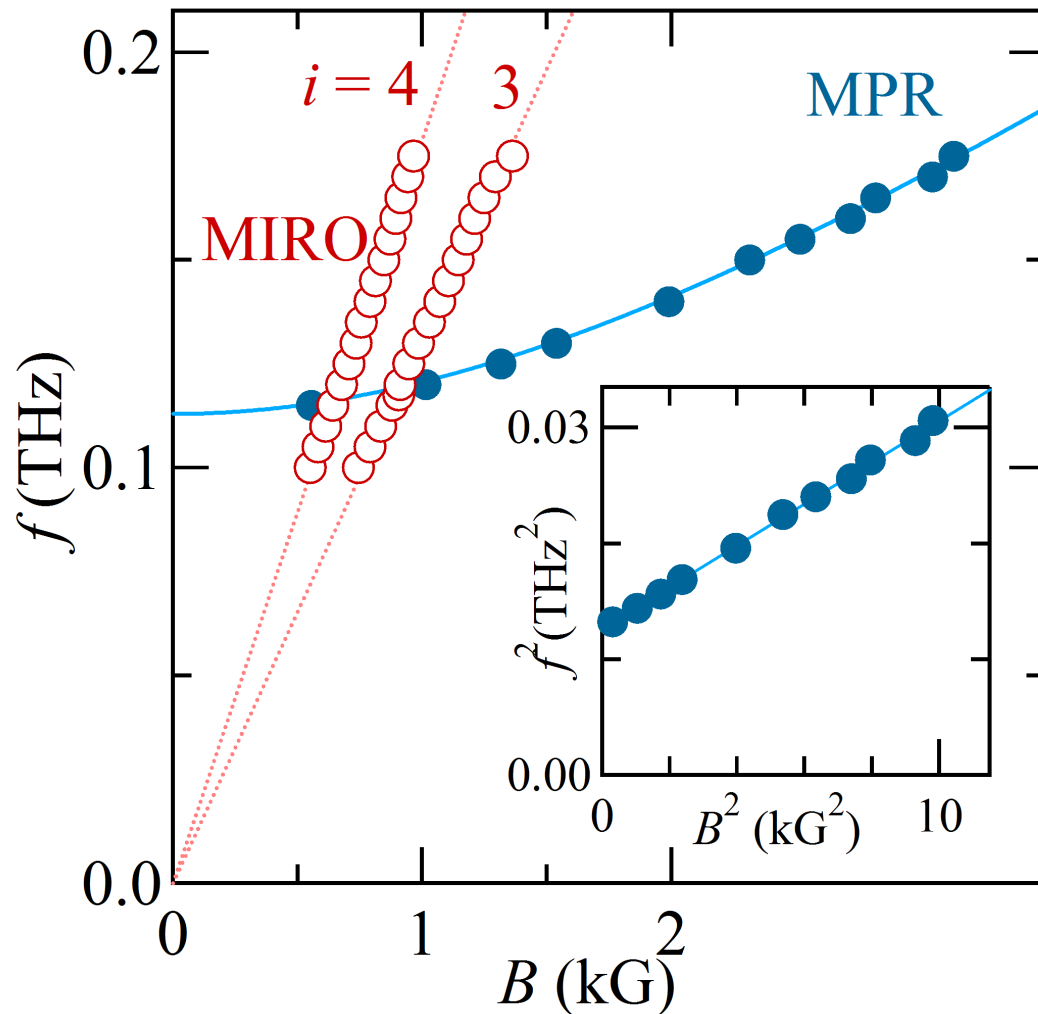
$$\omega^2 = \omega_c^2 + \omega_p^2$$

- Plasmon (calculated):

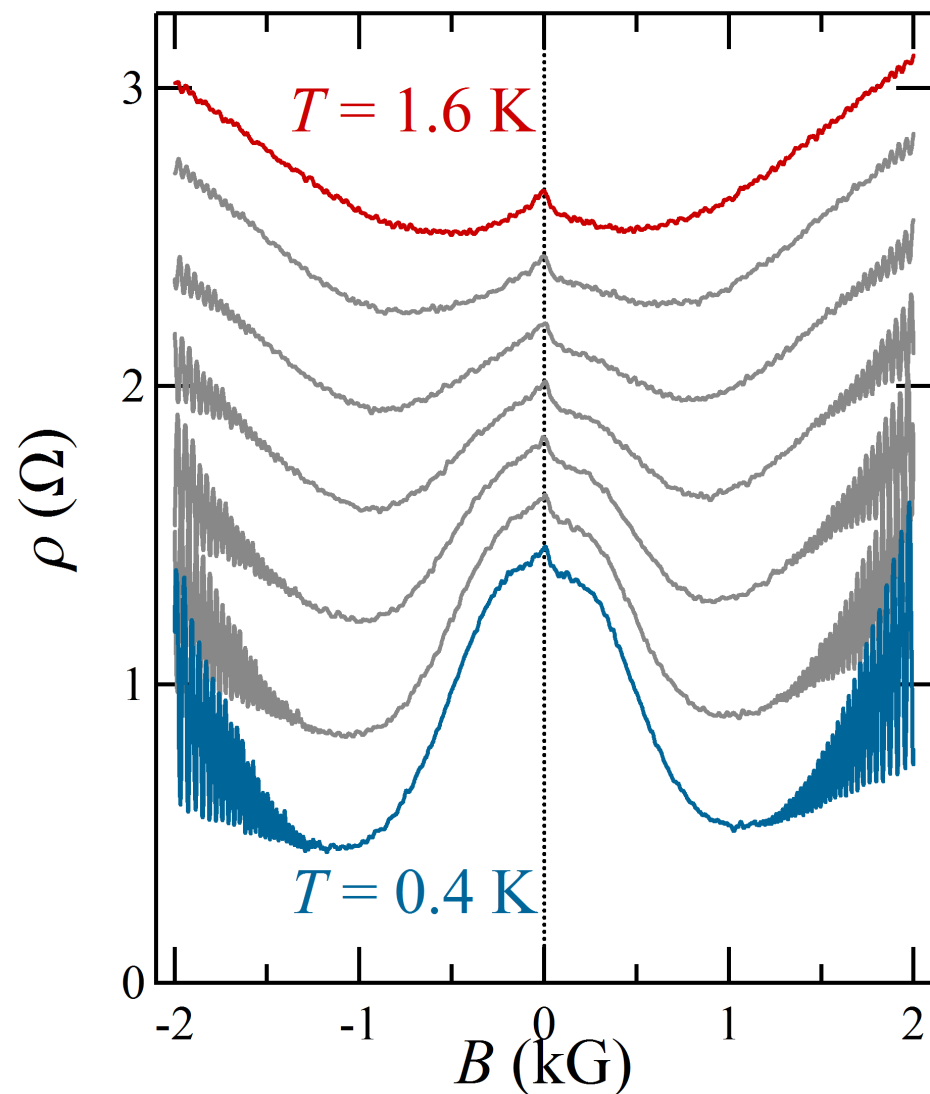
$$f_p \approx 107 \text{ GHz}$$

- Plasmon (measured):

$$f_p \approx 112 \text{ GHz}$$



Negative magnetoresistance



- Deep minimum:

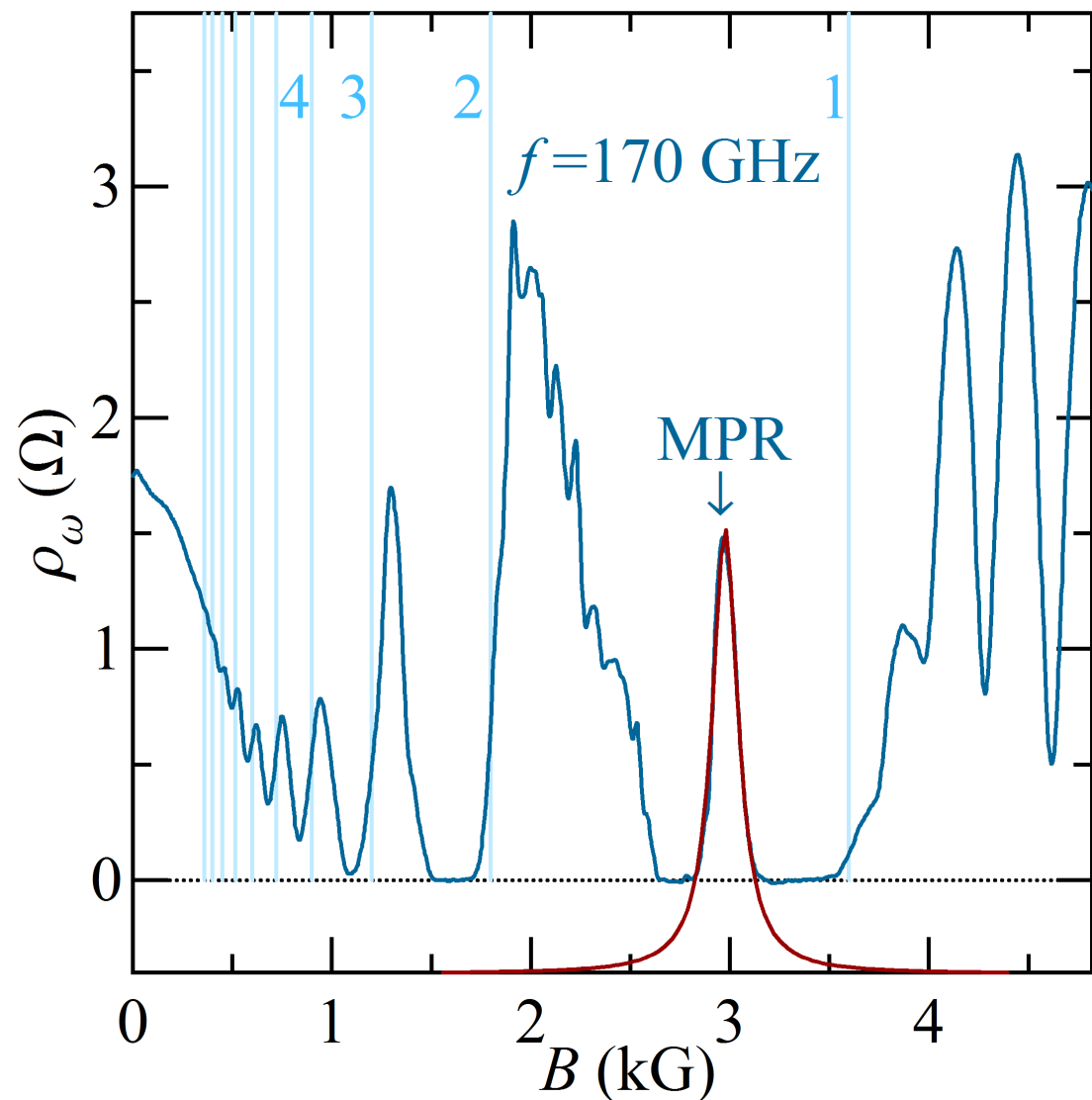
$$B_0 \approx 1 \text{ kG}$$

- Low T :

$$\frac{\rho_{\min}}{\rho_0} \approx 0.2$$

- Temperature dependence is strongest at lowest temperature

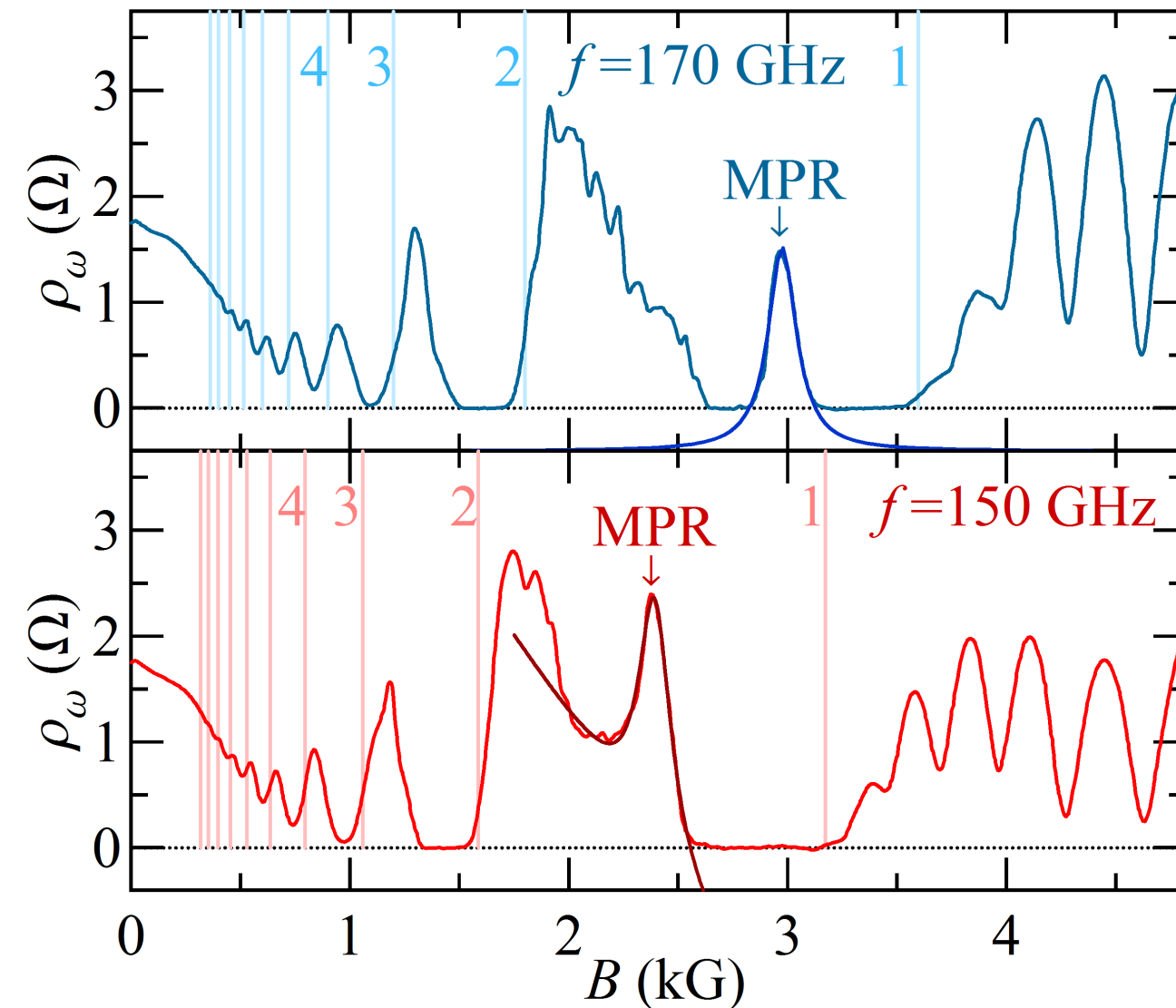
Probing negative resistance



- **Origin of MPR photoresistance:**
 - no theory!
 - likely originates from heating
- **The idea:**
 - Fit the MPR peak with a Lorentzian
- **The fit generates**
 - Negative background:

$$\approx -0.45 \Omega$$

MPR + ZRS



- In the ZRS regime

- Negative background

- Outside the ZRS regime:

- Positive background

- Photoresistance due to MPR can be several times larger than dark resistance
 - Due to strong negative magnetoresistance
- When overlapped with a zero resistance state, MPR can be used to probe absolute negative resistance