

The effect of high-pressure on (multi-)ferroics

or

How do distortions behave under pressure? General rules ?



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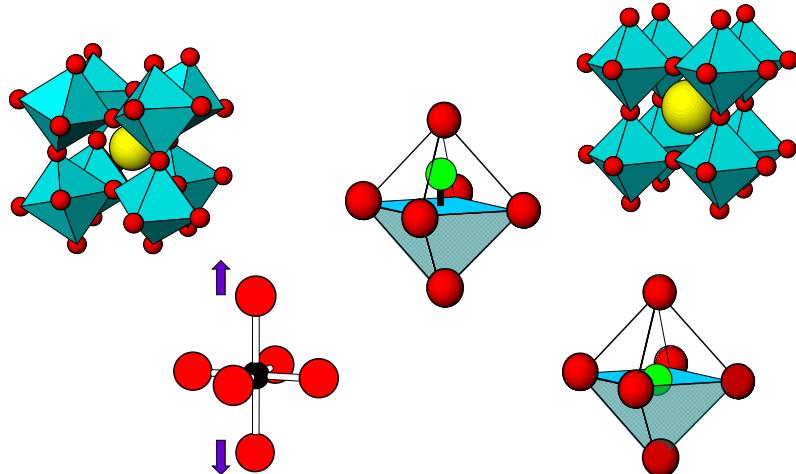
1. Octahedra tilts (ferroelasticity)
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4. General rules

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1. Type 1 MF: BiFeO_3
2. Type 2

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What is the effect of high-pressure ?



High-pressure : Strong modifications of interatomic distances & bond angles

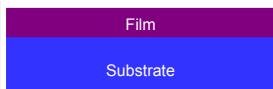
→ Modification / Tuning of coupling and physical properties

Interest of high-pressure studies ($p > 1$ GPa)



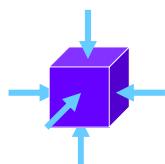
“Clean” parameter (G.A. Samara et al.)

- Acts only on interatomic distances
- Important changes in volume (chemical bonding)
 $0 \text{ to } 700 \text{ K} \rightarrow \Delta V/V_0 = 1\% \leftrightarrow 1 \text{ bar to } 100 \text{ GPa} \rightarrow \Delta V/V_0 \approx 25\%$
- Access to new structural & physical phenomena



Estimation and understanding of strain in thin films

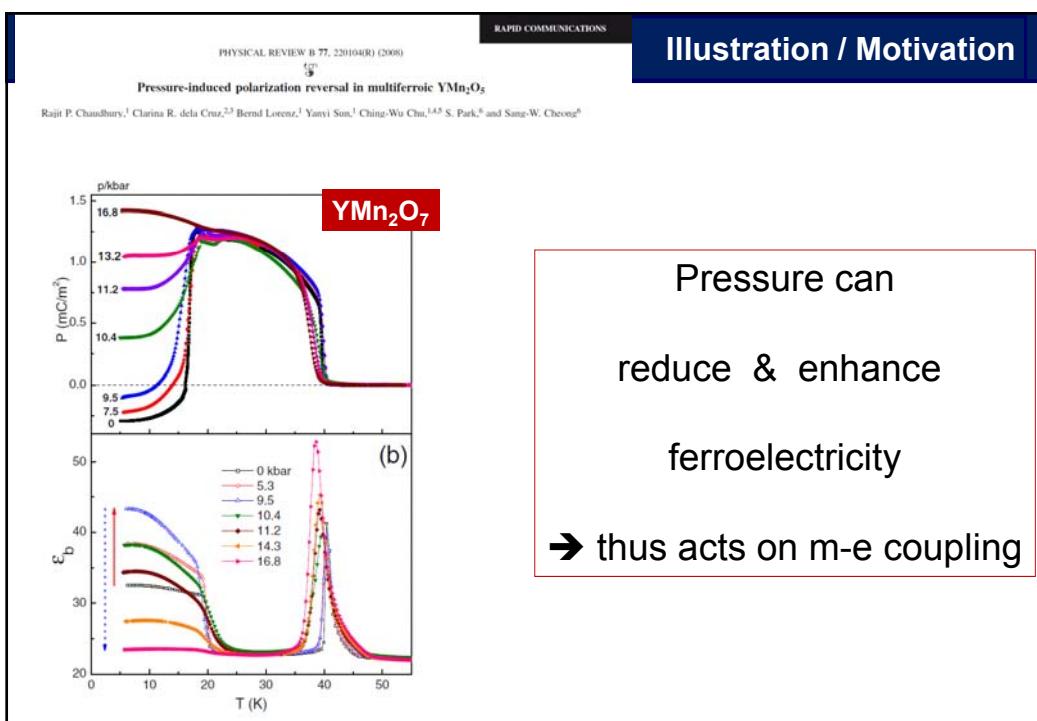
- e.g. Estimation of strain via Raman modes in ferroelectrics
- Relation with strain-induced deformations ?



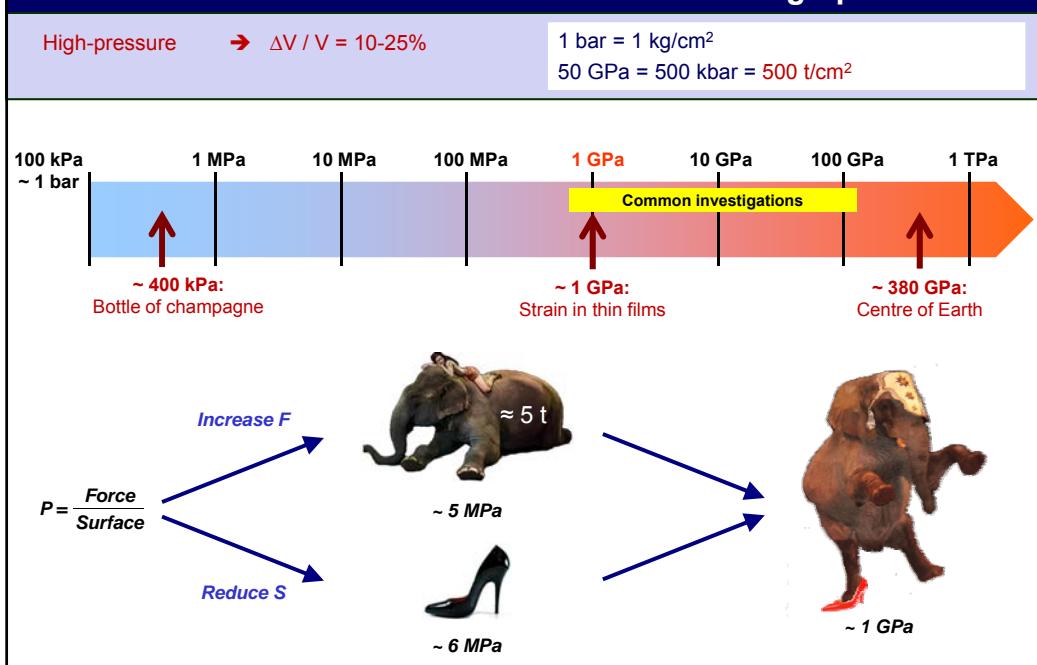
Ab-initio calculations

- Pressure easier simulated than temperature
- Serious test for ab-initio models

Illustration / Motivation



What is high-pressure ?

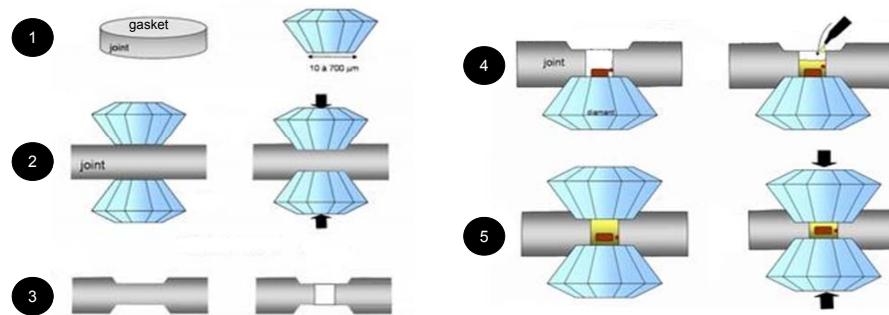
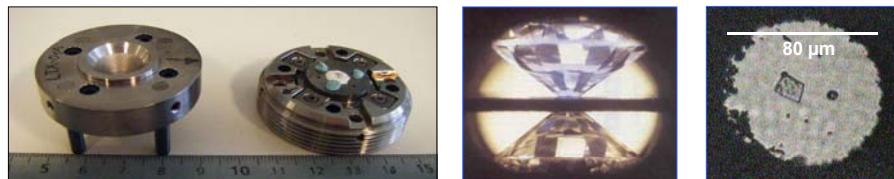


B. Experimental aspects

More elegant ways to apply high-pressure ...

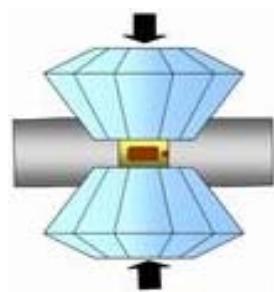
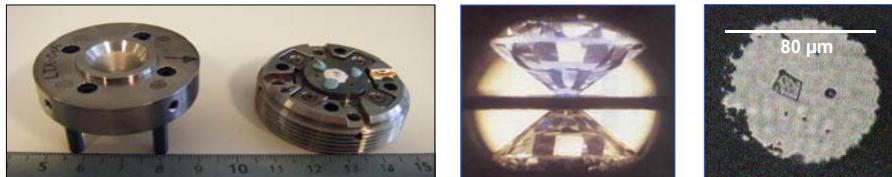
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2. Large volume cells
3. Feasable \Leftrightarrow unfeasable

Applying high-pressure in a diamond anvil cell



(Pictures: P. Gillet)

Applying high-pressure in a diamond anvil cell

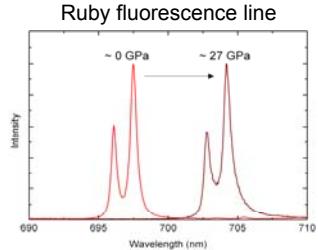


Diamonds
Size, defects...

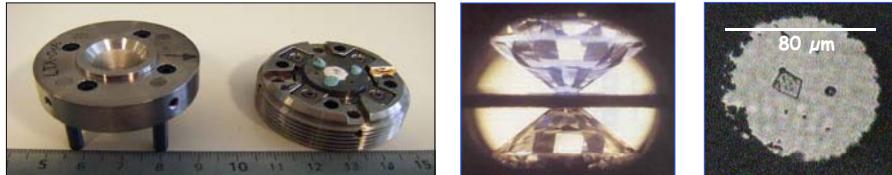
Gasket
Steel, Rhenium...

Pressure gauge
Ruby, Au...

Transmitting medium
Noble gases (He, Ne)
Alcohol, oil...



1) Raman spectroscopy and any optical measurement in a DAC



Raman spectroscopy : a probe for
• Phase transitions
• Phonons
• Soft modes

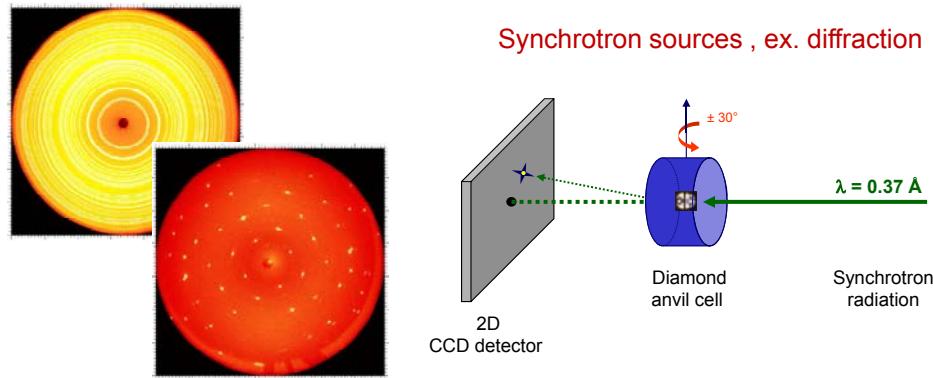
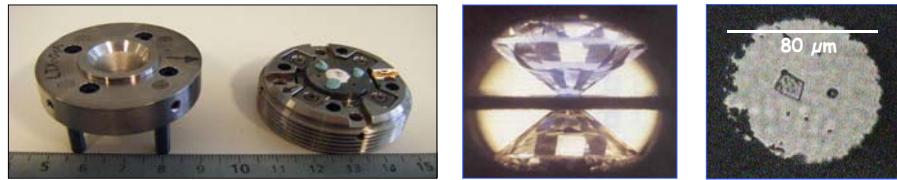
Experimental issues

- Purity of the diamond
- Long focal objective
- Signal of the diamond
- Intensity of the Raman signal



Micro-Raman - T64000 - Jobin-Yvon

2) Synchrotron X-ray diffraction or absorption in a DAC



Large Volume cells ex. « Paris-Edinburgh Cell »

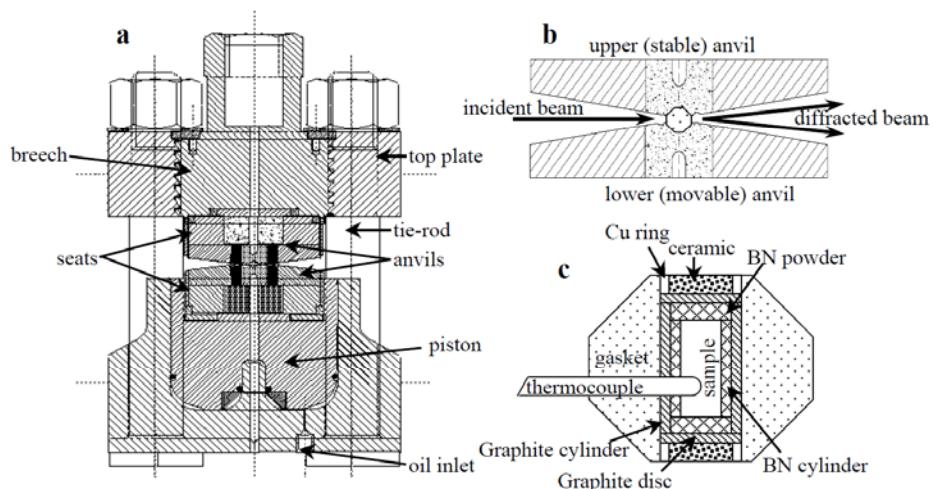


Figure 1: Cross-section of Paris-Edinburgh press (a), anvils/sample ensemble (b) and sample (c).

How does it look like

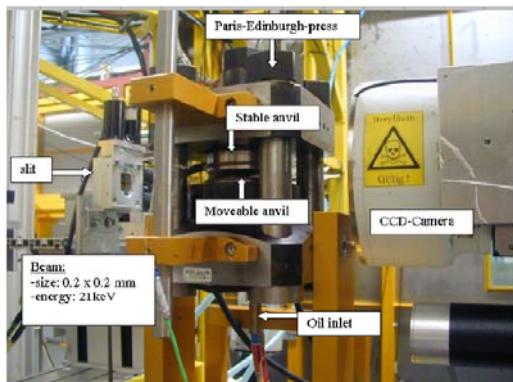


Figure 2: Picture of the set-up at beamline PETRA1.



Figure 3: XRD pattern recorded of a $\text{AlSi}_{26}\text{Ni}_8$ sample at ambient pressure (a) and 6.8 GPa (b).

Magnetic measurements under pressure

MPMS cell specifications	Hydrostatic		Uniaxial	High pressure		
	MPMS	MPMS	MPMS	PPMS	PPMS	MPMS
Model	LPC-15	MLPC-15	XPC-5	HPC-20	HPC-30	HMD-13
Pressurization system	Hydrostatic		Uniaxial	High pressure		
Maximum applied pressure	1.25 GPa	1.5 GPa	500 MPa	2.0 GPa	3.0 GPa	1.3 GPa
Maximum sample pressure @ 7K	1 GPa	1.2 GPa	400 MPa	1.6 GPa	2.4 GPa	1.0 GPa



Feasible experiments ?

- Type of Measurements ? Optical or not ?
- Wiring needed ?
- Needed size of sample ?
- Pressure range ?

Below 10 GPa

(large volume anvil press', screw press & diamond anvil cells)

- ➔ Most experiments are feasible 🌿
- ➔ X-ray, neutrons (!), magnetic, electric, optic
- ➔ Optical experiments either in diamond anvils or by side view

Above 10 GPa

(diamond anvil cells)

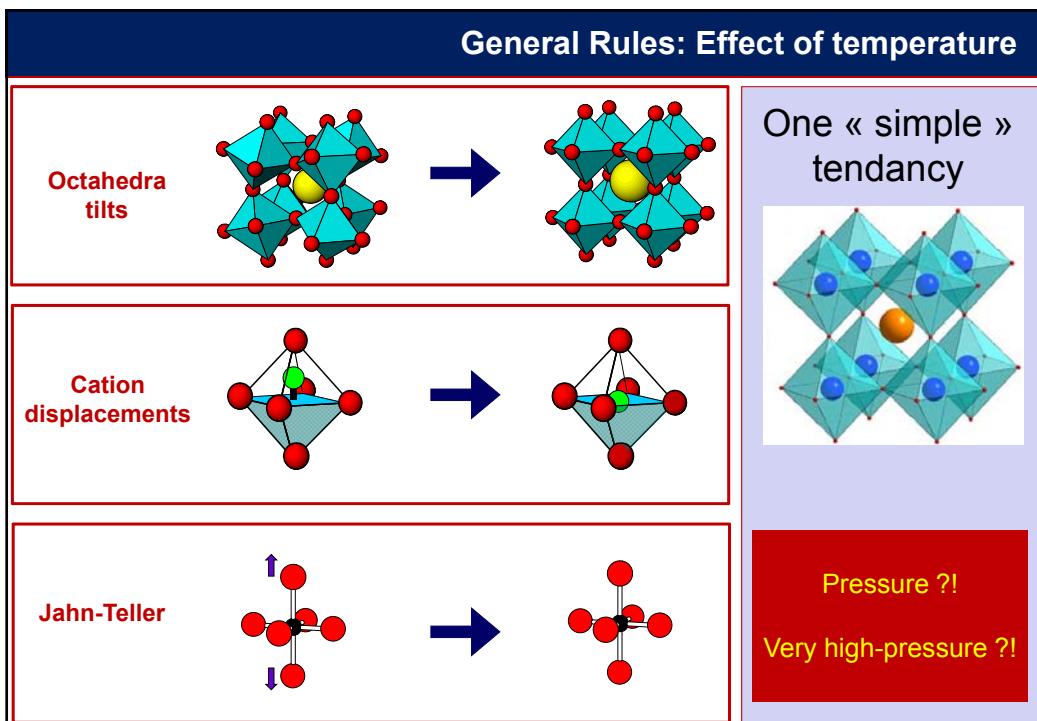
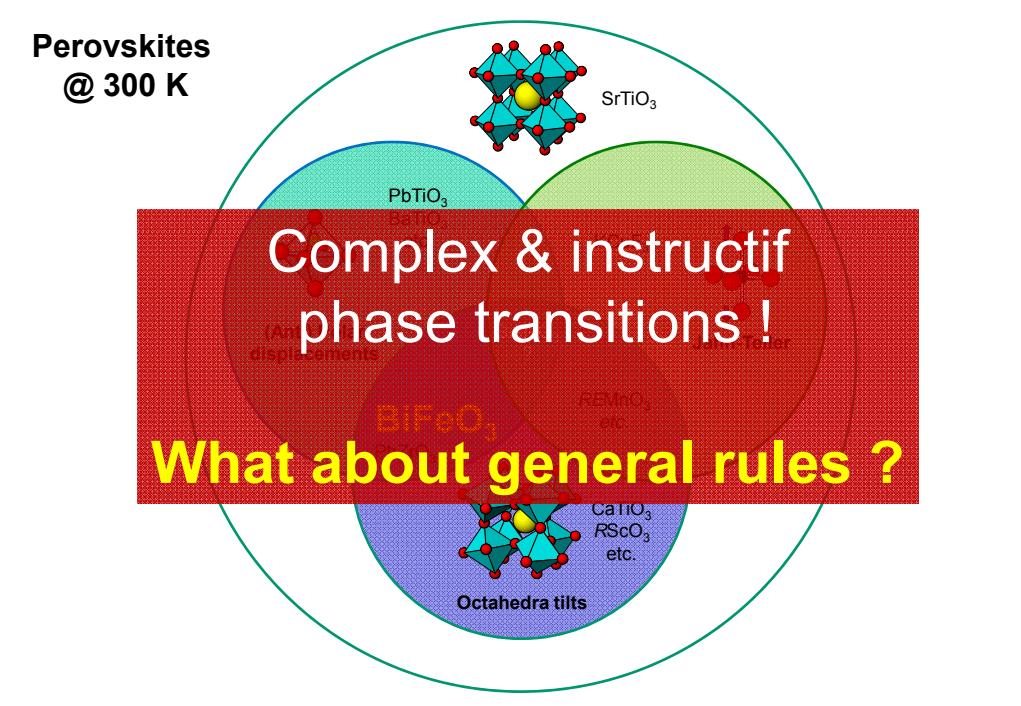
- ➔ Small samples !
- ➔ Wiring remains a challenge ! Ferroelectric measurements very difficult 🚫
- ➔ Diffraction, X-ray absorption, Raman, Fluorescence 🌿

C. Illustrations 1

Effect of high-pressure on ferroic oxides

(or ... Understanding individual ferroic orders before looking at multiferroics)

1. Octahedra tilts (ferroelasticity)
2. Cation displacements (ferroelectricity)
3. Jahn-Teller distortion
4. General rules



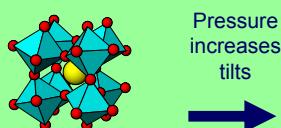
The effect of high pressure on perovskites: Samara's rules

Important Generalization Concerning the Role of Competing Forces in Displacive Phase Transitions

G. A. Samara et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 35, 1767–1769 (1975)

Soft zone **boundary** instabilities

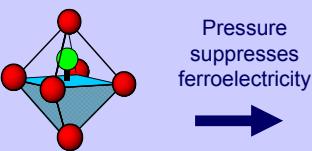
$$\frac{dT_c}{dP} > 0$$



Pressure increases
tilts

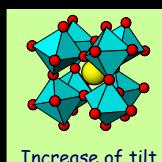
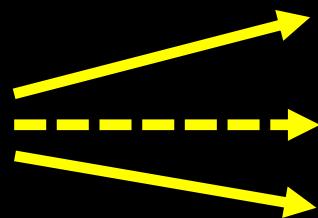
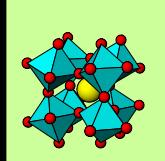
Soft zone **centre** instabilities

$$\frac{dT_c}{dP} < 0$$

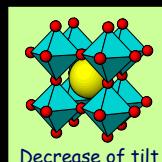


Pressure
suppresses
ferroelectricity

Effect of pressure on octahedra tilts ?



Increase of tilt



Decrease of tilt

Samara rule

G. A. Samara
Phys. Rev. Lett. 35, 1767 (1975)

Compression mechanism ?

Tilts \Leftrightarrow Bond compression (A-O, B-O distances ?)

Octahedra rotations (tilts): Important characteristics

R. H. Mitchell, *Perovskites: Modern and ancient*, Almaz Press, Ontario (C), 2002

Most common type of distortion

Subtle distortion

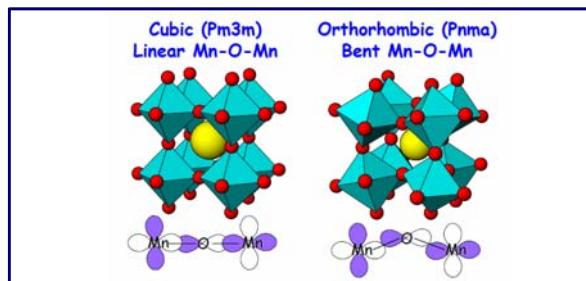
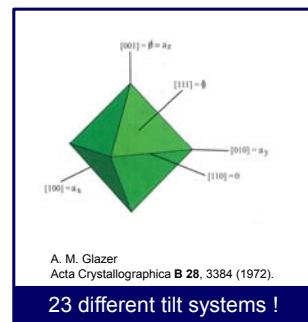
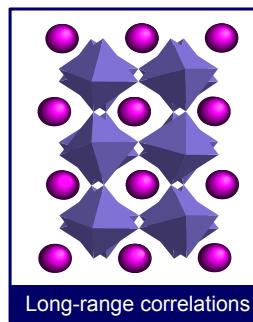
BO_6 close to rigid ($\Leftrightarrow \text{AO}_{12}$)

Tuned by size of *A*-cation

Reduced symmetry

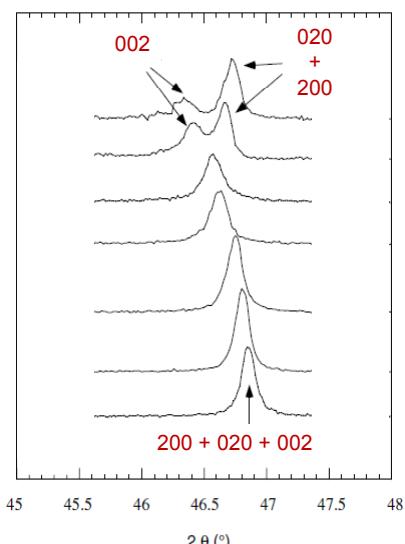
Lattice instability
→ Tuning by external parameters

Drives physical properties



Detecting tilts with diffraction: 1st step

Peak splitting of Bragg reflections



- 👉 Crystal system (structure refinement)
- 👉 Unit cell strain
- 👉 Resolution limited
- 👉 Low precision on tilt angles

Tilt	NaMgF_3	GdFeO_3
From cell dimensions		
φ	8.5	9.46
θ	12.3	17.58
Φ	14.9	19.89
From bond angles		
φ	10.7	11.32
θ	14.3	16.51
Φ	17.8	19.93
a'_*	10.1	11.71
From atomic coordinates		
φ	10.4	11.95
θ	14.3	16.51
Φ	17.7	20.28

Investigation of octahedra tilts

Cell doubling → Superstructure « tilt » reflections

Superstructure

100 200

- Intensity → Tilt angle
- Selection rules → Type of tilt system
- Low intensity for X-rays (\leftrightarrow neutrons)
- Other cell doubling mechanism

Table 2.6. Reflections Associated With Octahedral Tilts (Glazer 1975)

In-phase tilts			Anti-phase tilts				
Tilt	Conditions	Examples*	Tilt	Conditions	Examples*		
a ⁺	eoo	$k \neq l$	013, 031	a ⁻	000	$k \neq l$	131, 113
b ⁺	eo \bar{o}	$h \neq l$	103, 301	b ⁻	000	$h \neq l$	113, 311
c ⁺	oo \bar{e}	$h \neq k$	130, 310	c ⁻	000	$h \neq k$	131, 311

* All indices given on the basis of a double ($2a_p$) cubic cell.

Raman scattering: Vibrations with rotational pattern

PHONON FREQUENCY IN cm^{-1}

TEMPERATURE IN $^{\circ}\text{K}$

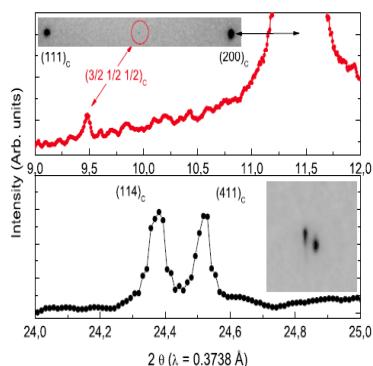
Soft modes

- Scale to octahedra tilt angle
- Order parameter, soft mode
- No structure refinement possible
- Raman difficult to model

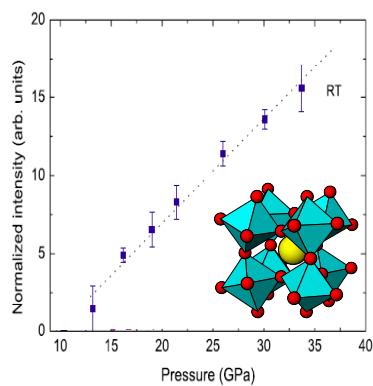
High-pressure X-ray diffraction of SrTiO₃

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Diffraction at 37 GPa



I(P) of superstructure

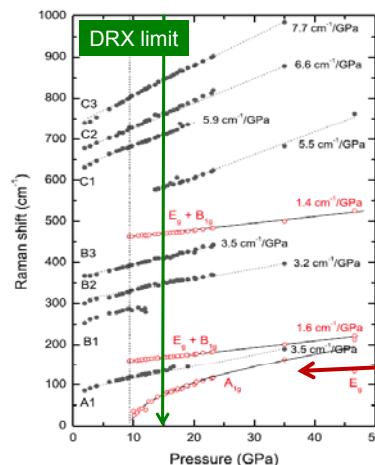
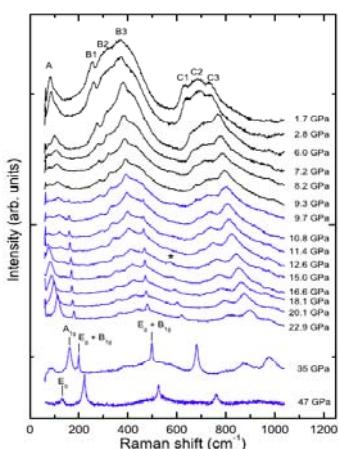


- 👉 Clear evidence for distortion
- 👉 Identification of symmetry

- 👉 Pressure-induced phase transition
- 👉 Precision near P_c

High-pressure Raman scattering of SrTiO₃

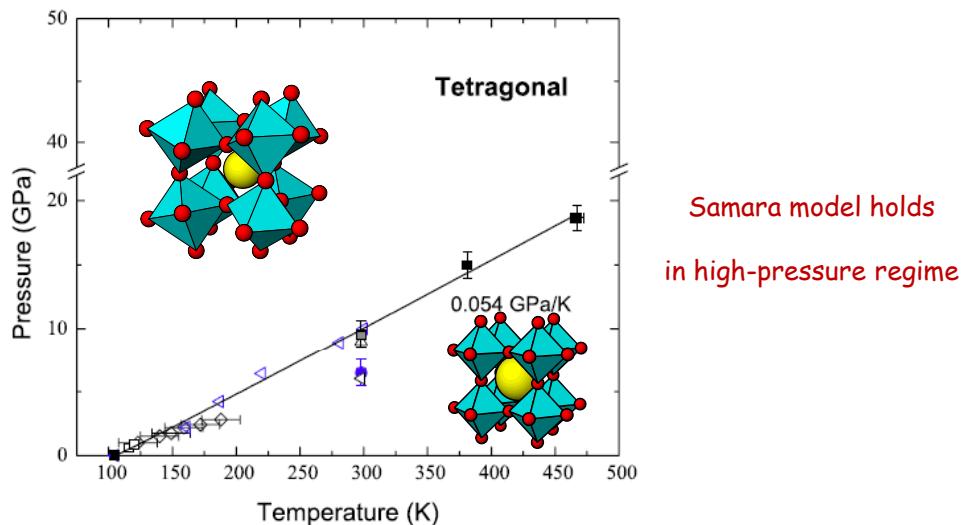
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- Identification of P_c
- Soft-mode-driven phase transitions
- Description with Landau theory

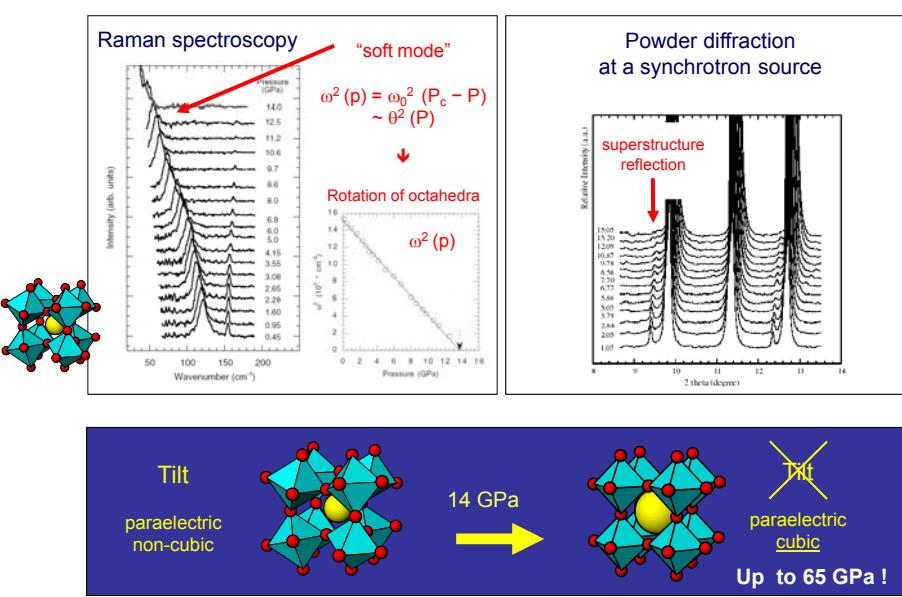
P-T phase diagram

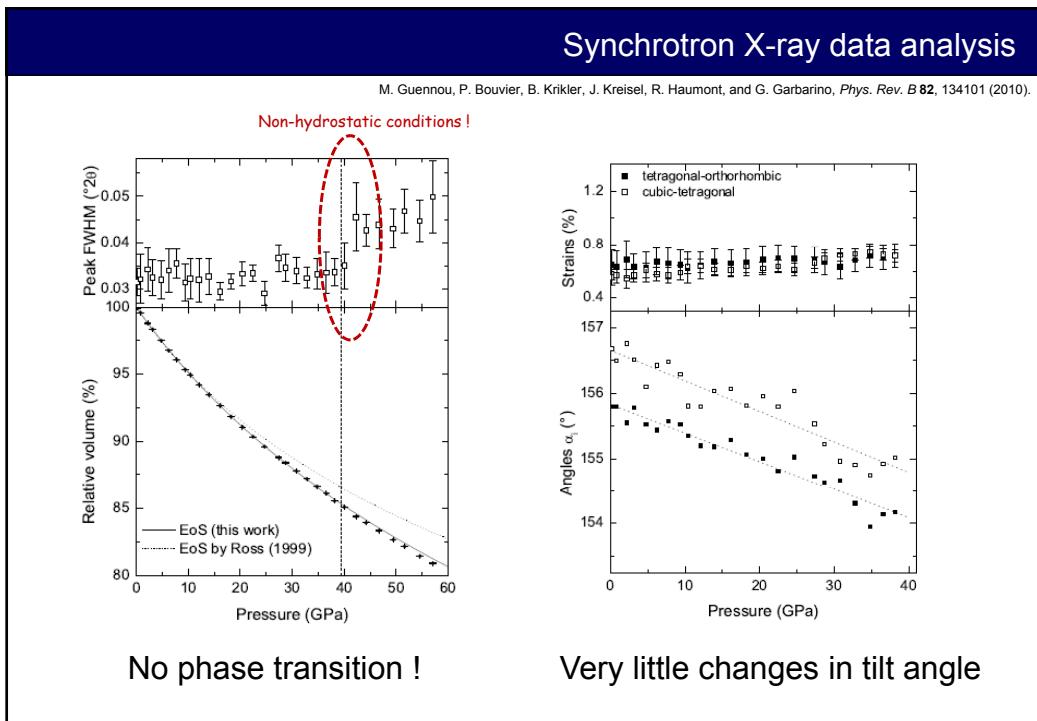
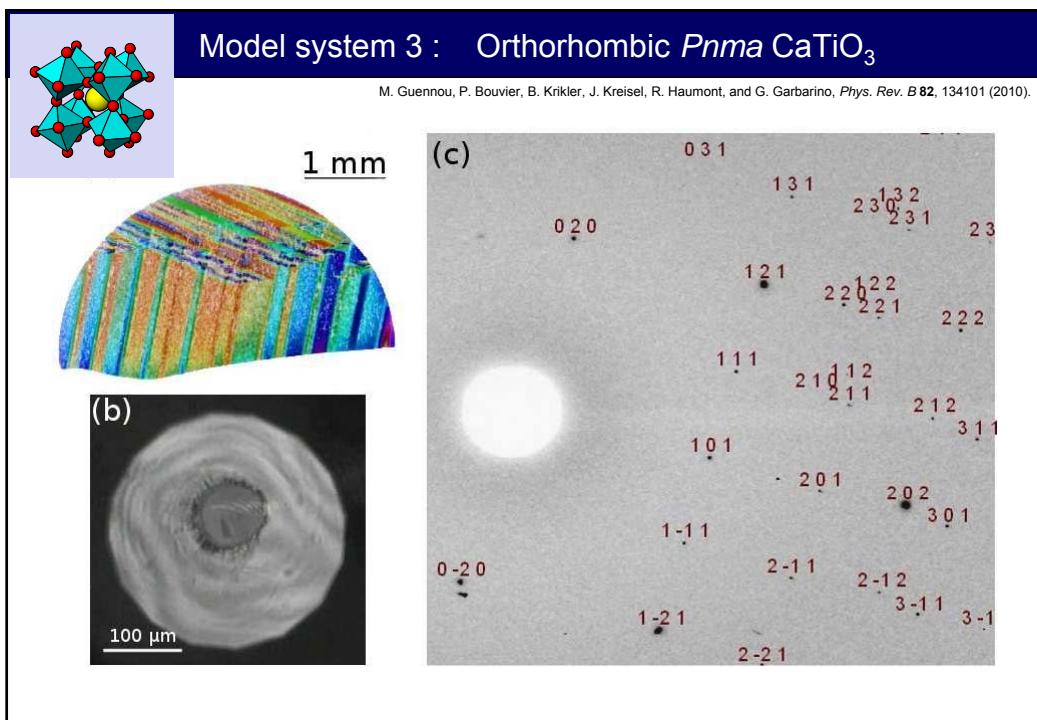
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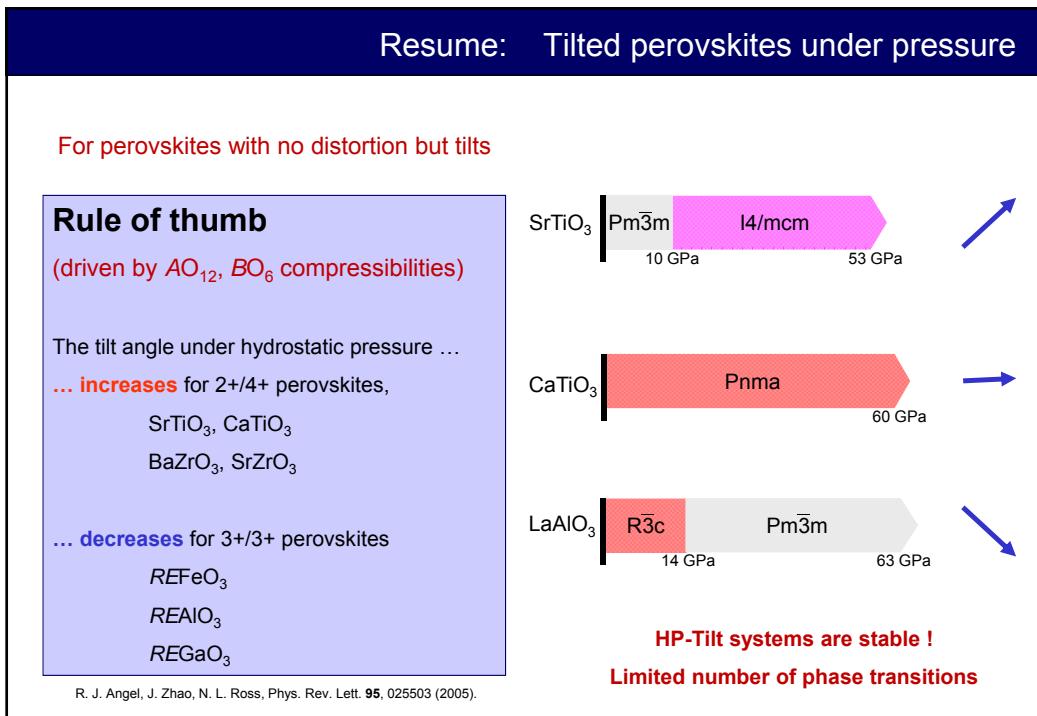
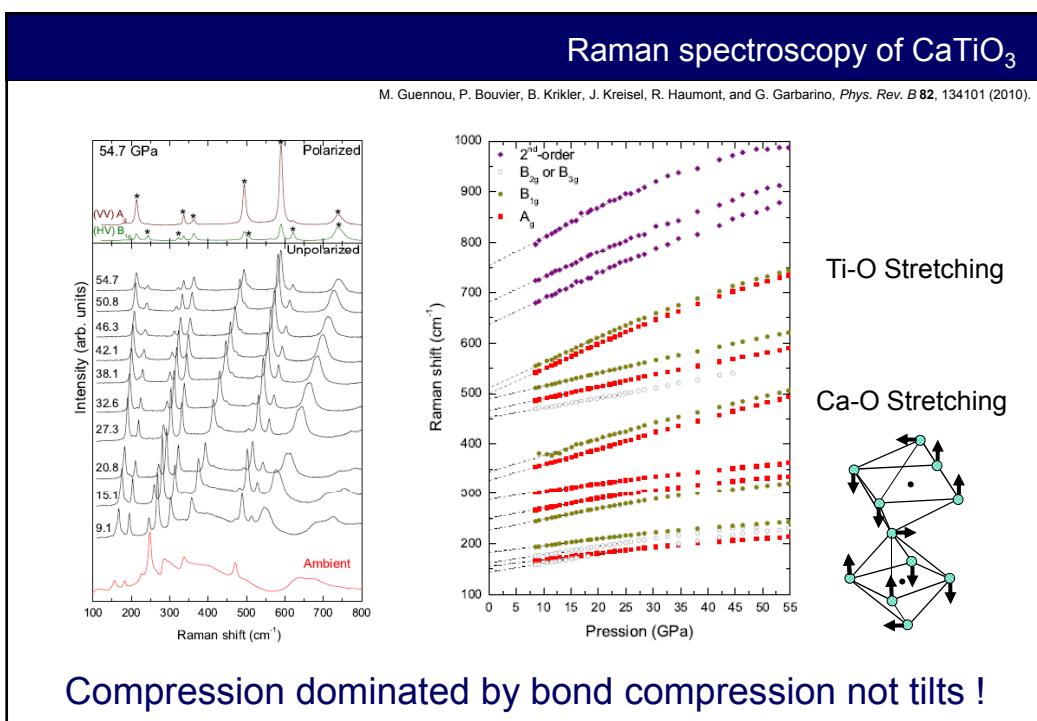


Model system 2: LaAlO_3

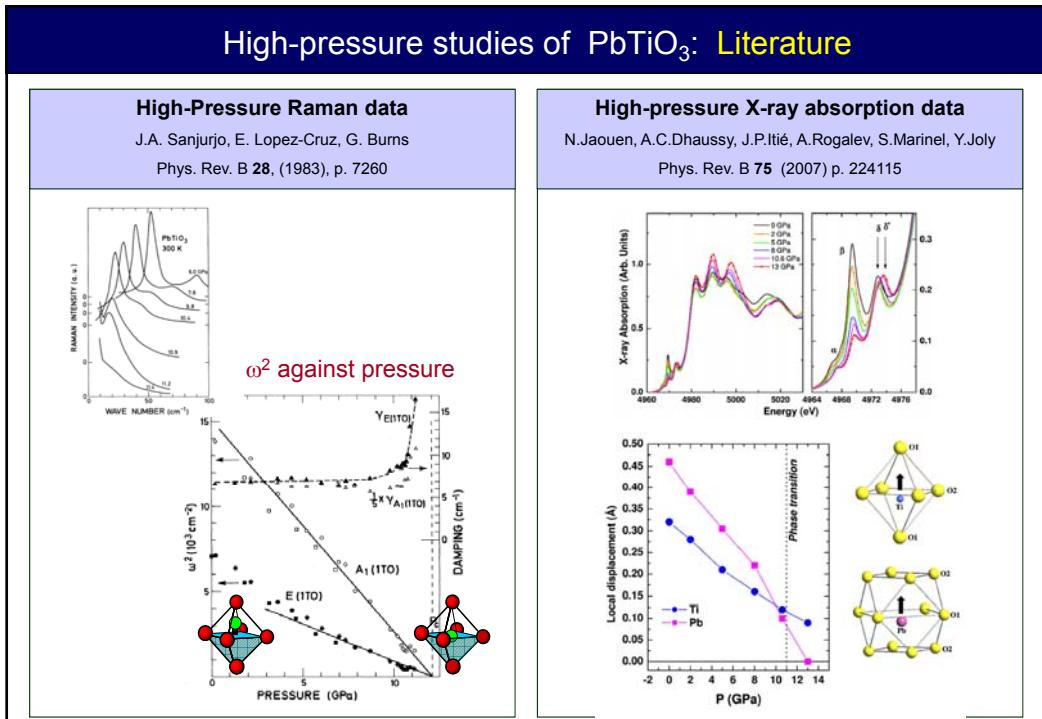
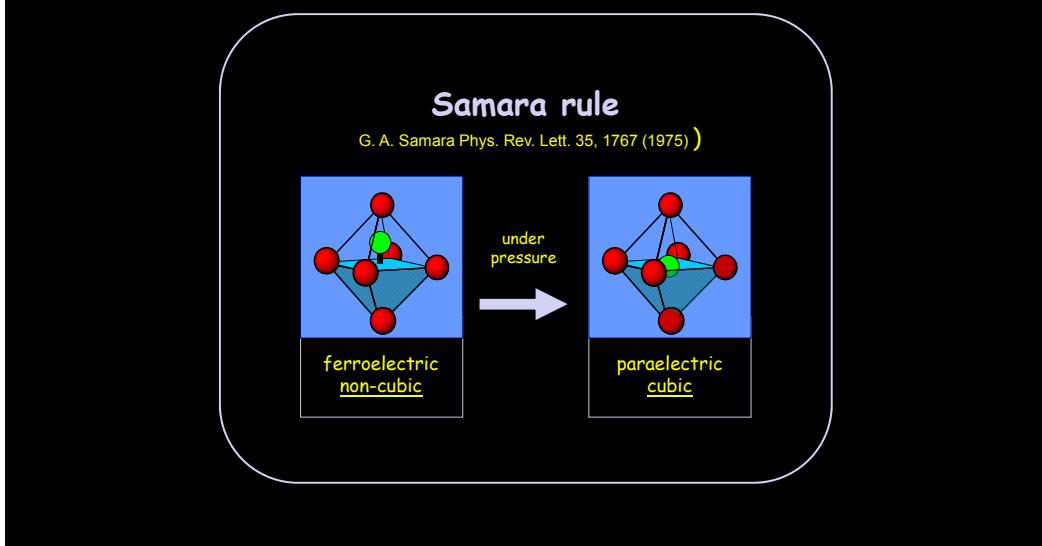
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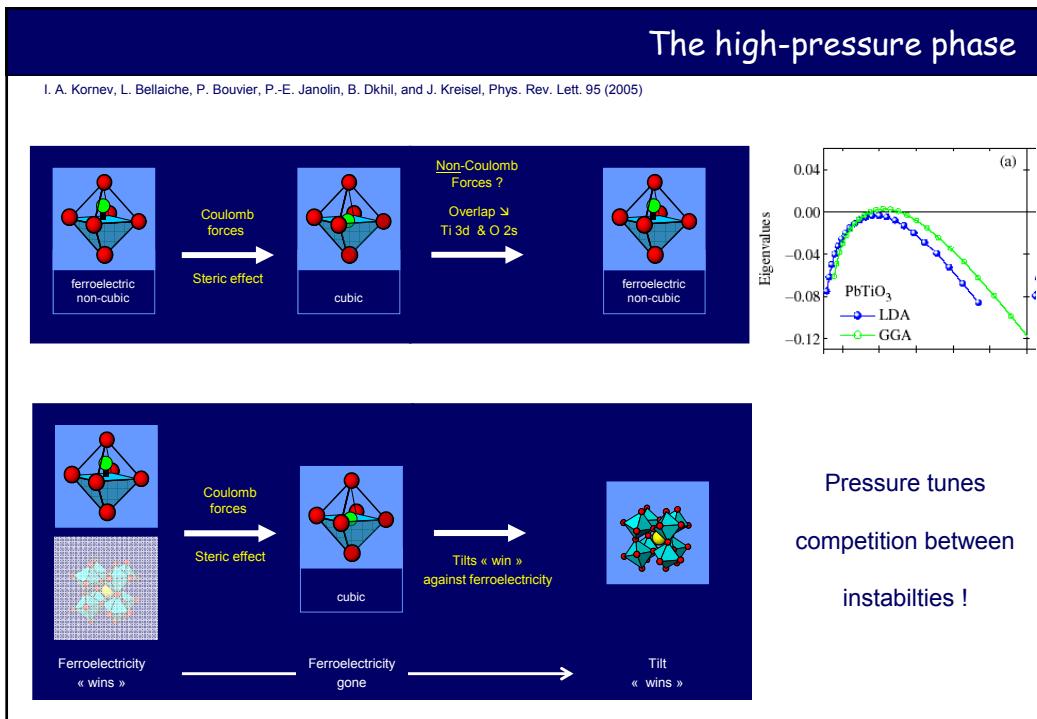
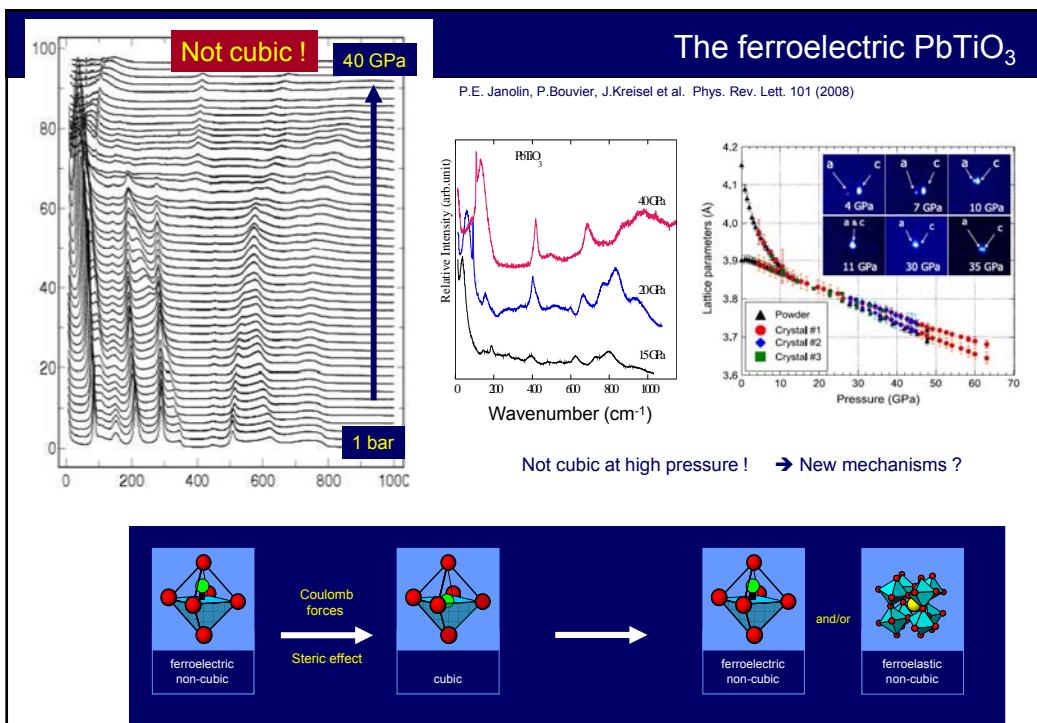


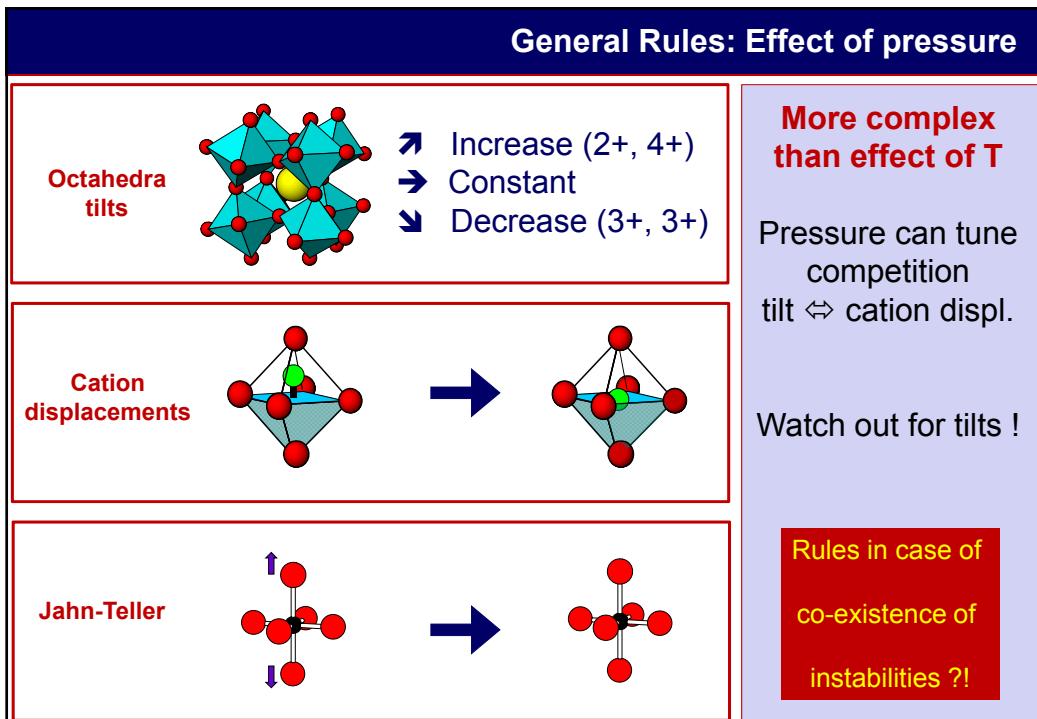
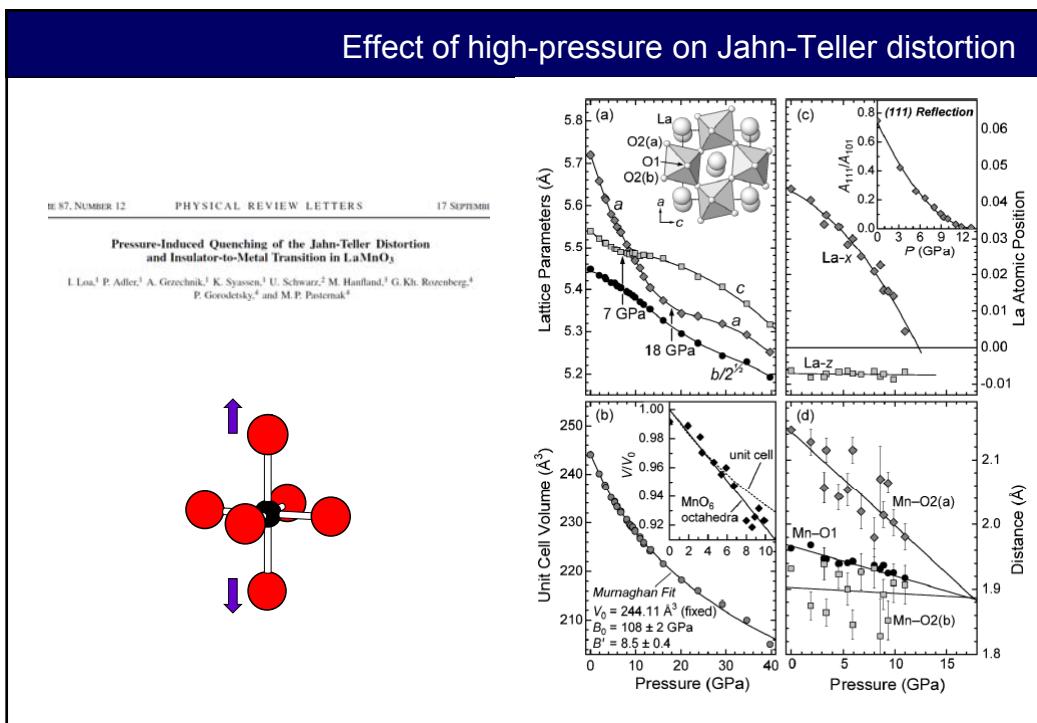




Effect of pressure on ferroelectrics ?







D. Illustrations 2

Effect of high-pressure on multiferroic oxides

1. Primary ferroelectrics (ex. BiFeO_3)
2. Secondary ferroelectrics

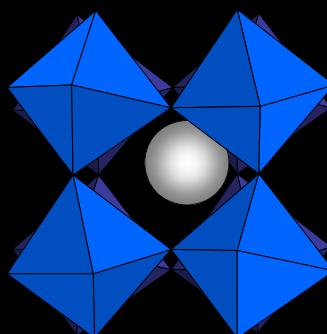
Tilts + Cation displacements + Magnetism

→ Type I Multiferroics

BiFeO_3

(3+, 3+)

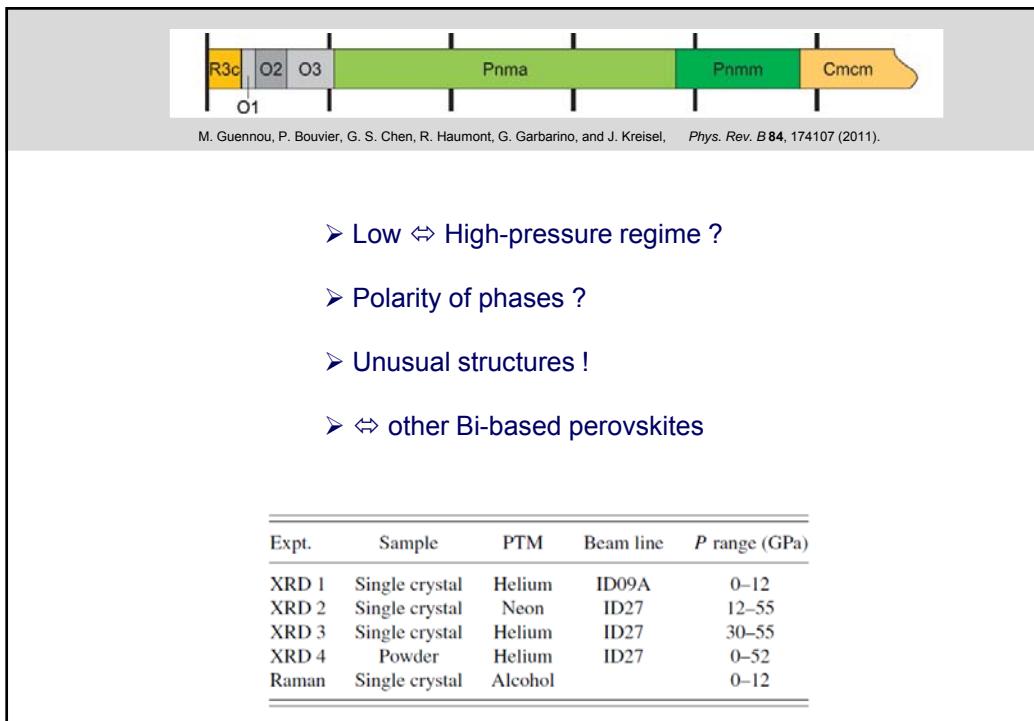
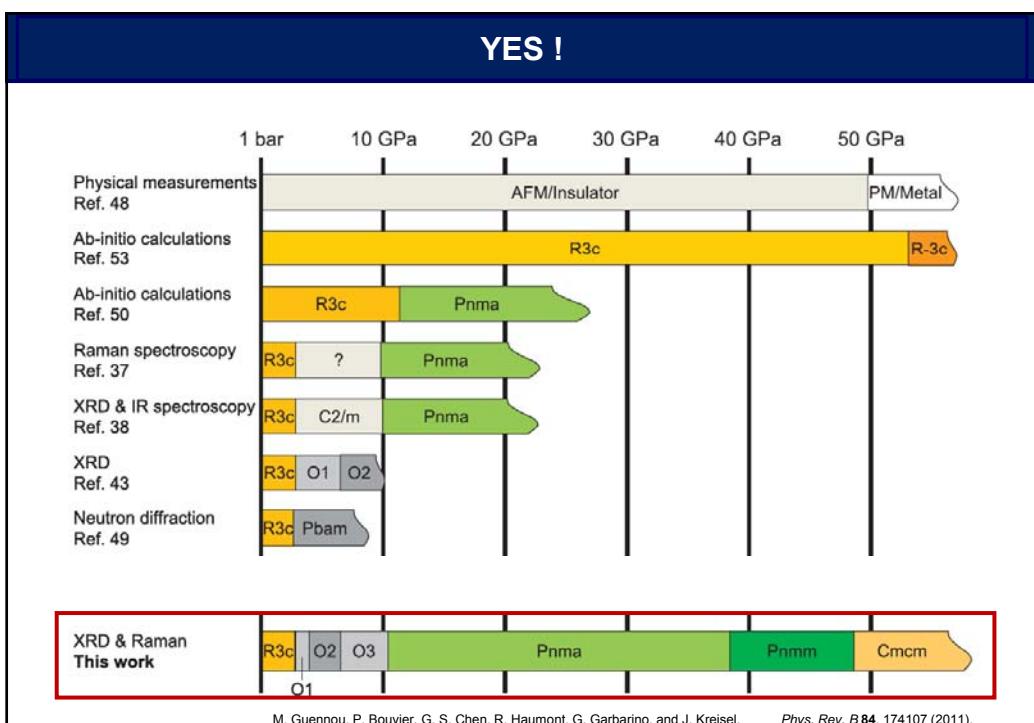
→ Cubic ?

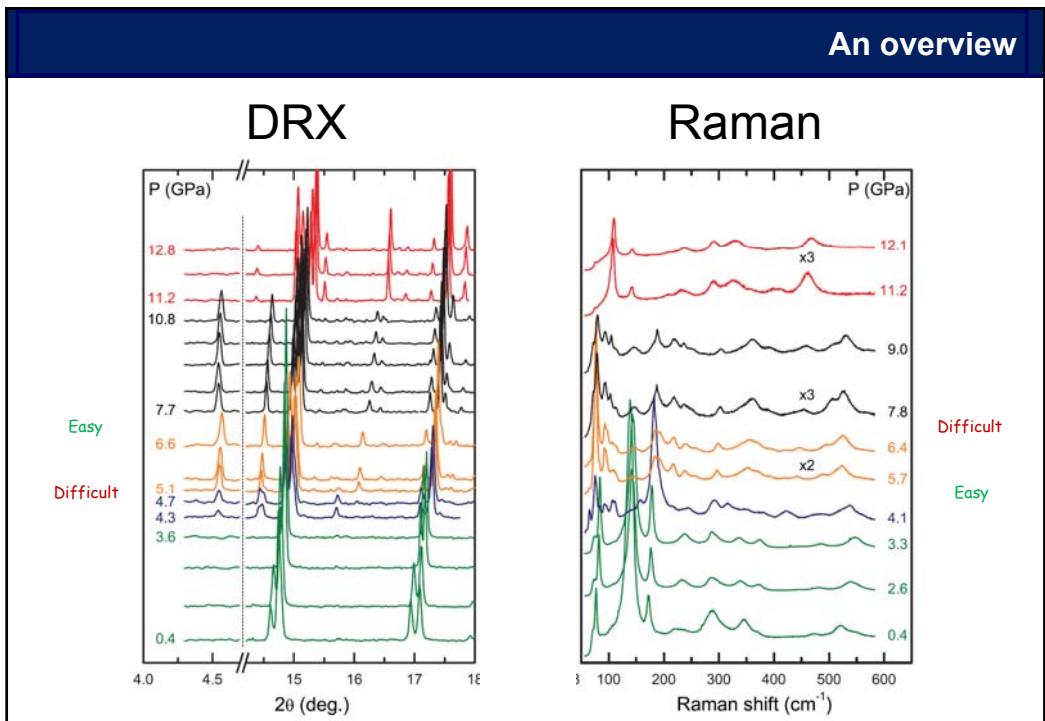
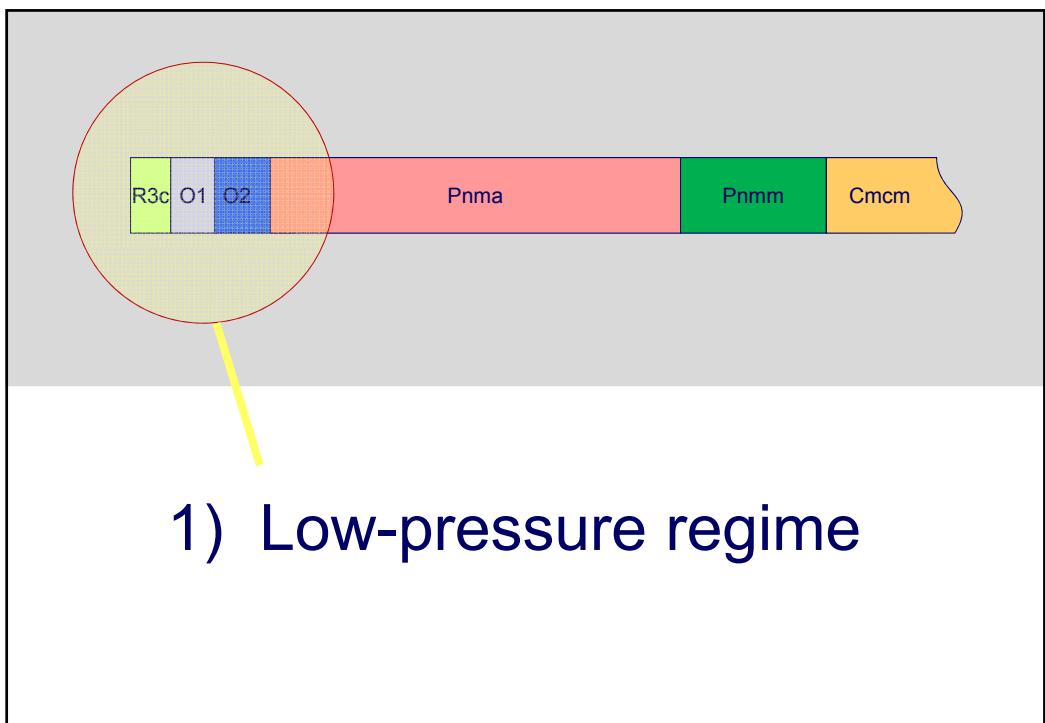


(more) complex
phase sequence ?

BiFeO_3 : Impact on the field of multiferroics comparable to that of YBCO on superconductors
Review: G. Catalan & J. F. Scott, Advanced Materials 21, 1 (2009).

YES !

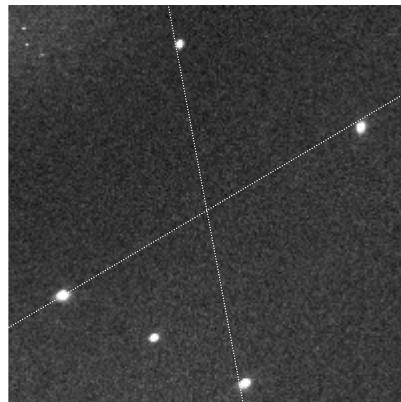




Pressure-dependent single crystal diffraction on BiFeO_3

P= 0.4 GPa

Expected R3c, single domain



P= 5 GPa

Orthorhombic, tilts, polar ?

P= 6.7 GPa

Disappearance of 2 domains
(changes in magnetic structure ?)

P= 8 GPa

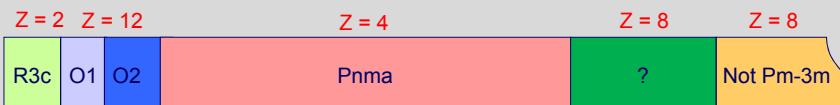
Orthorhombic, tilts, polar ?

P= 10 GPa

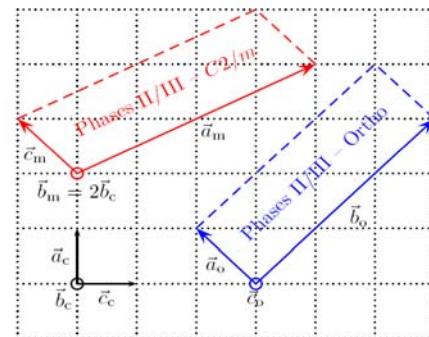
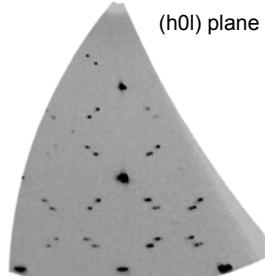
Orthorh. Pnma tilts , non polar

Presence / change of domains are instructive, but complicate the analysis !

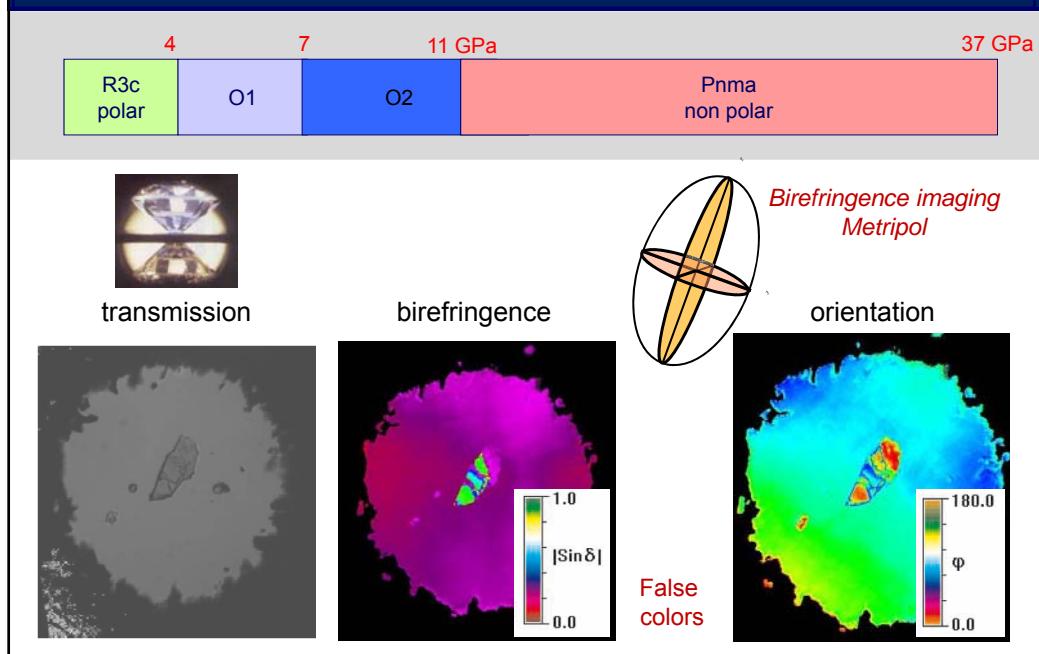
Pressure: Unusual large unit cells ! \neq PZT-like monoclinic phases



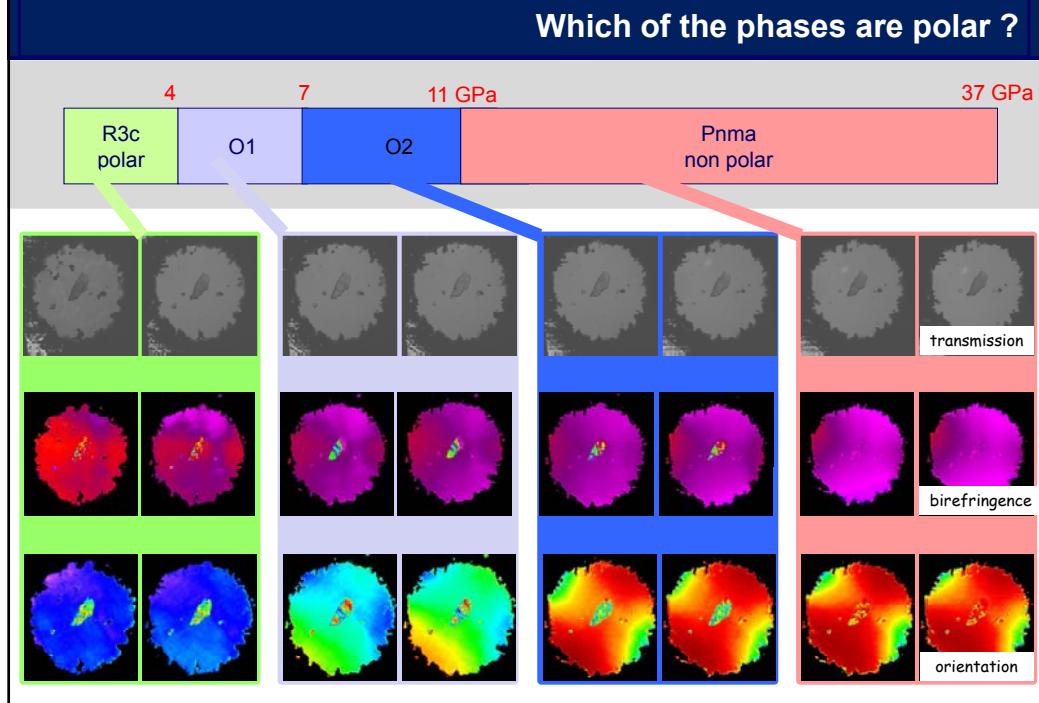
Yellow bracket indicates the transition from Z=2 to Z=12.



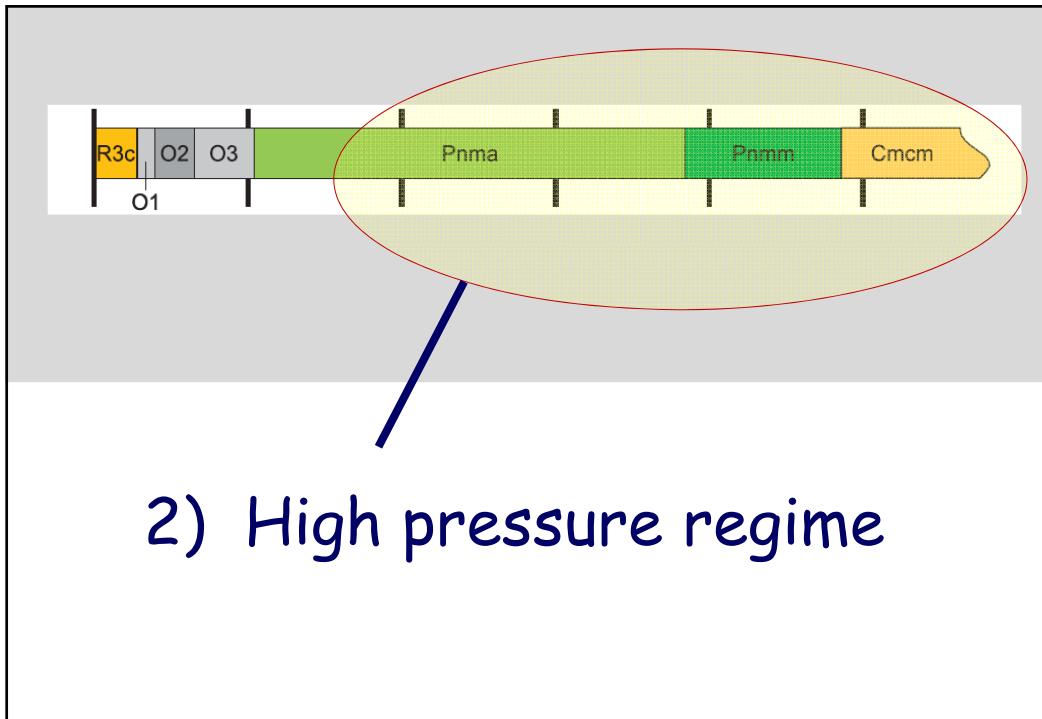
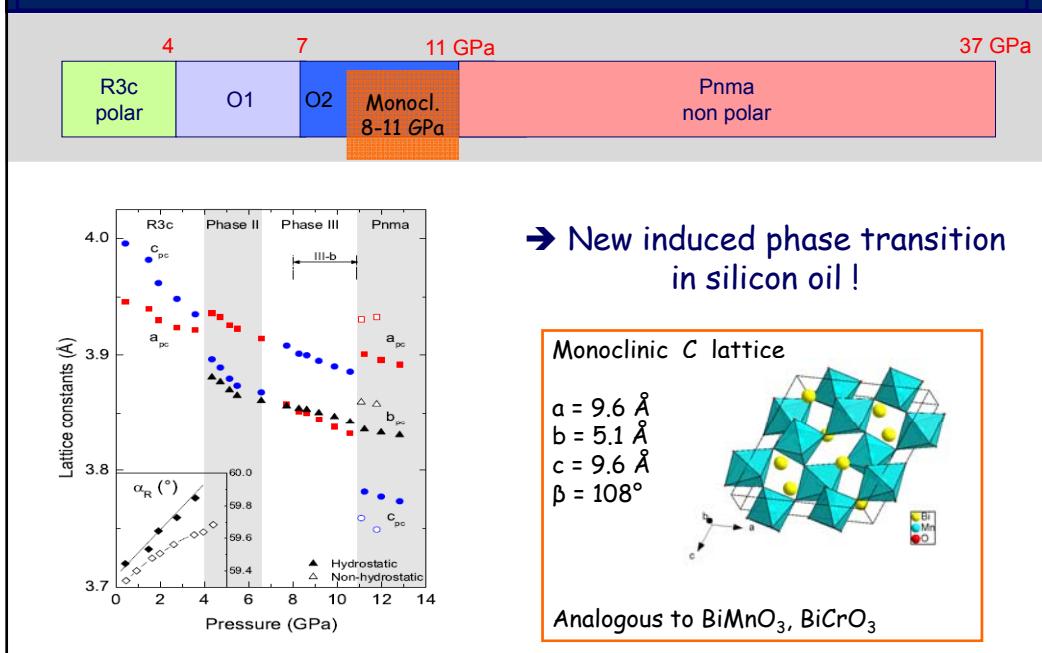
Which of the phases are polar ? → An optical birefringence study



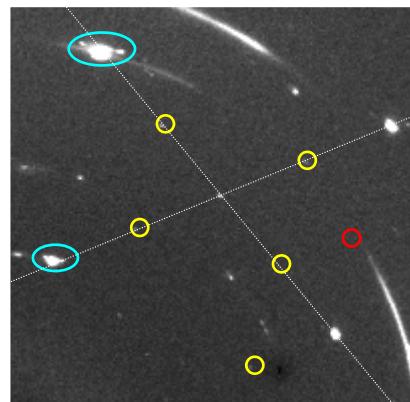
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Attention to non-hydrostatic conditions !



High-pressure-regime ($P>30$ GPa)

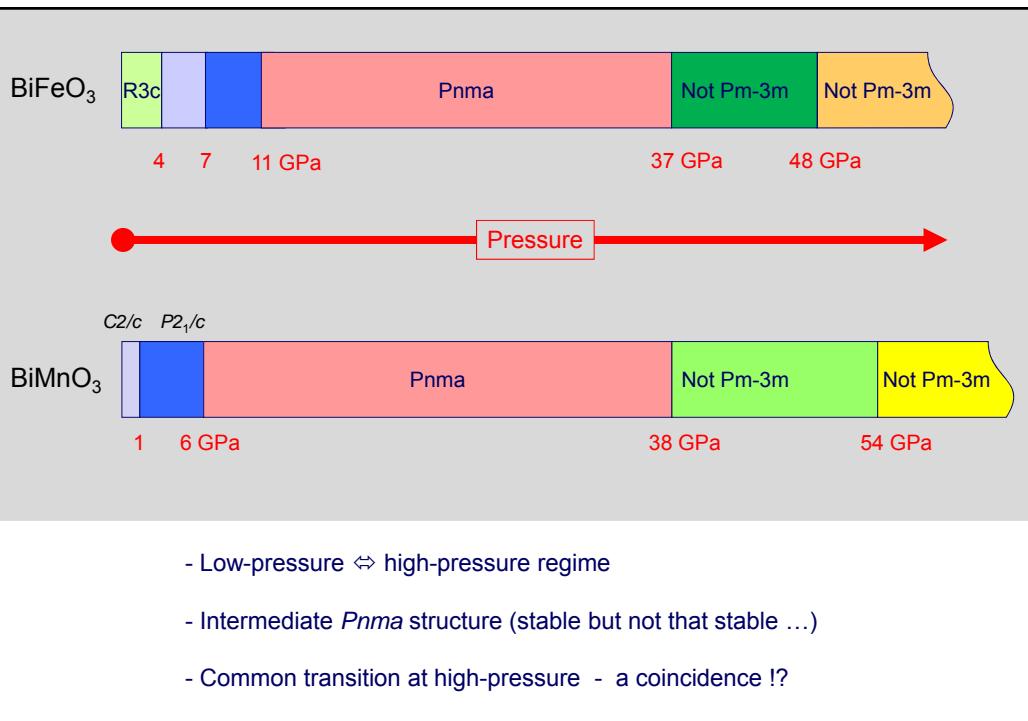


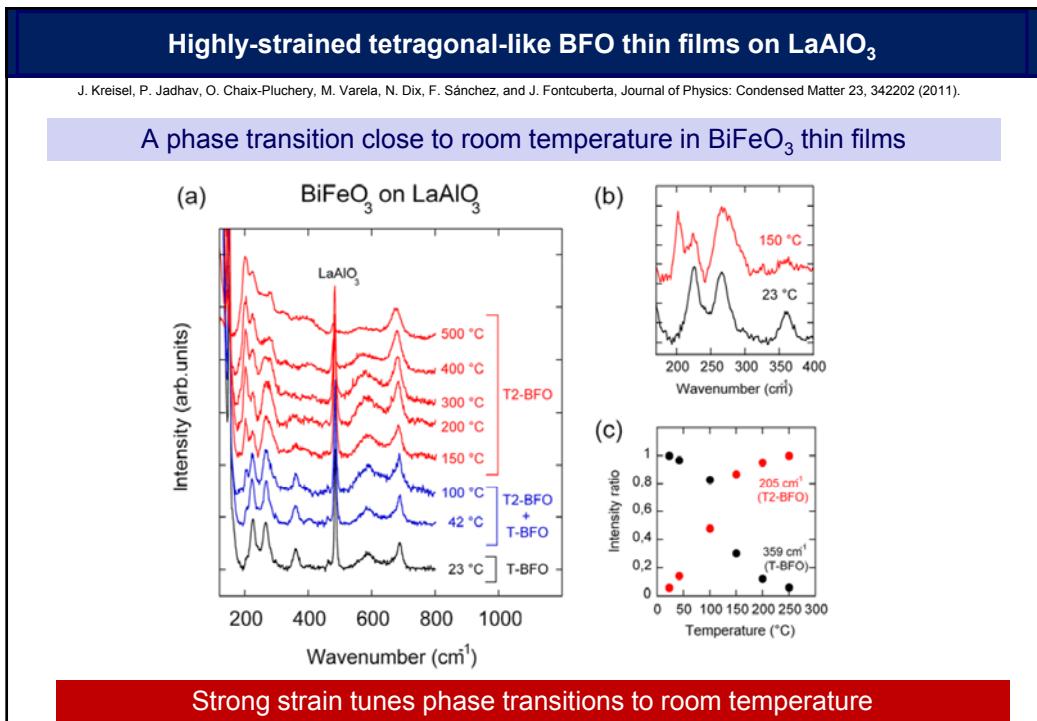
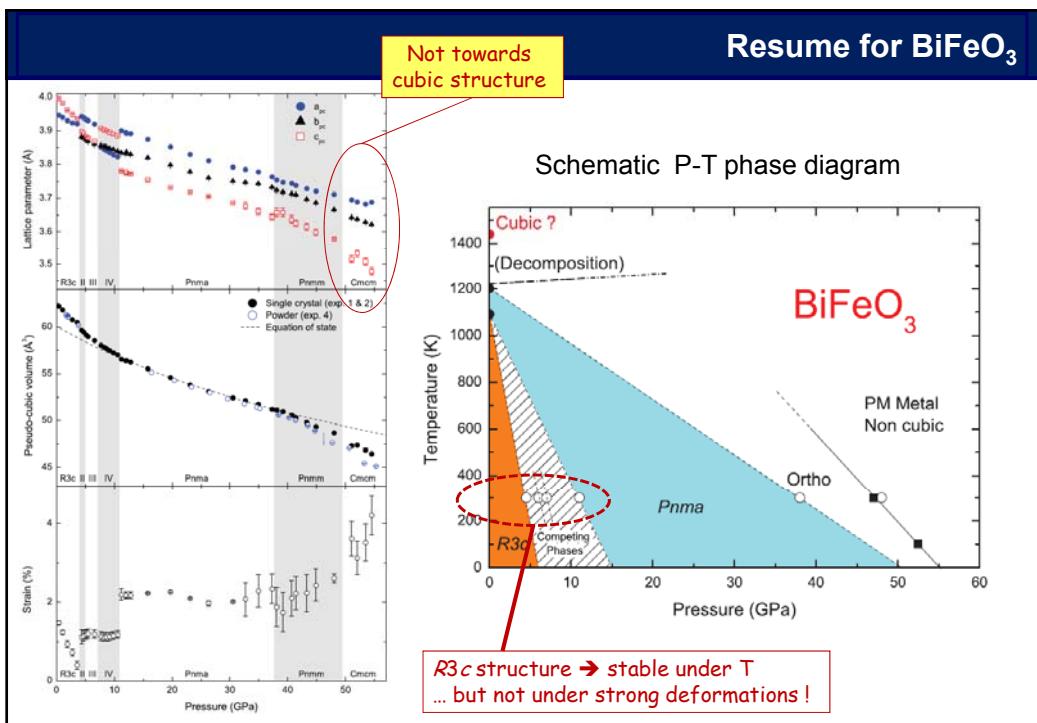
P= 35 GPa
Expected Pnma

P= 37 GPa
Disappearance of super struct.
 $\frac{1}{2}(212)$ (232) (252)

P= 48 GPa
New super struct. + splitting
→ not cubic Pm-3m

[111] in 2x cubic or
[010] in 2x rhombo



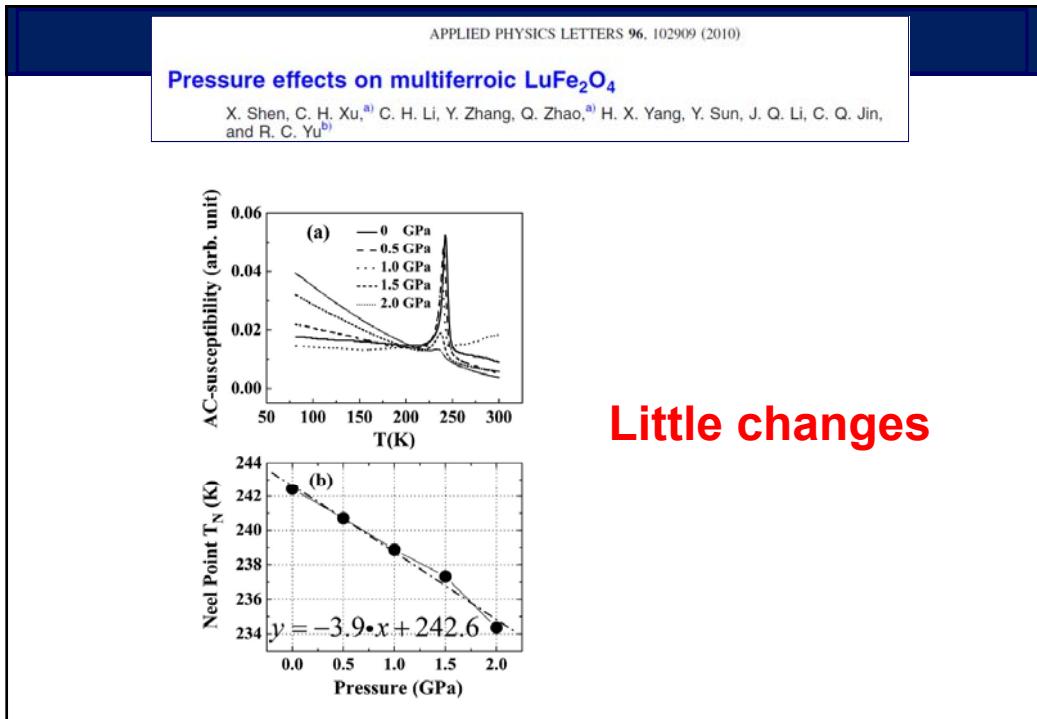


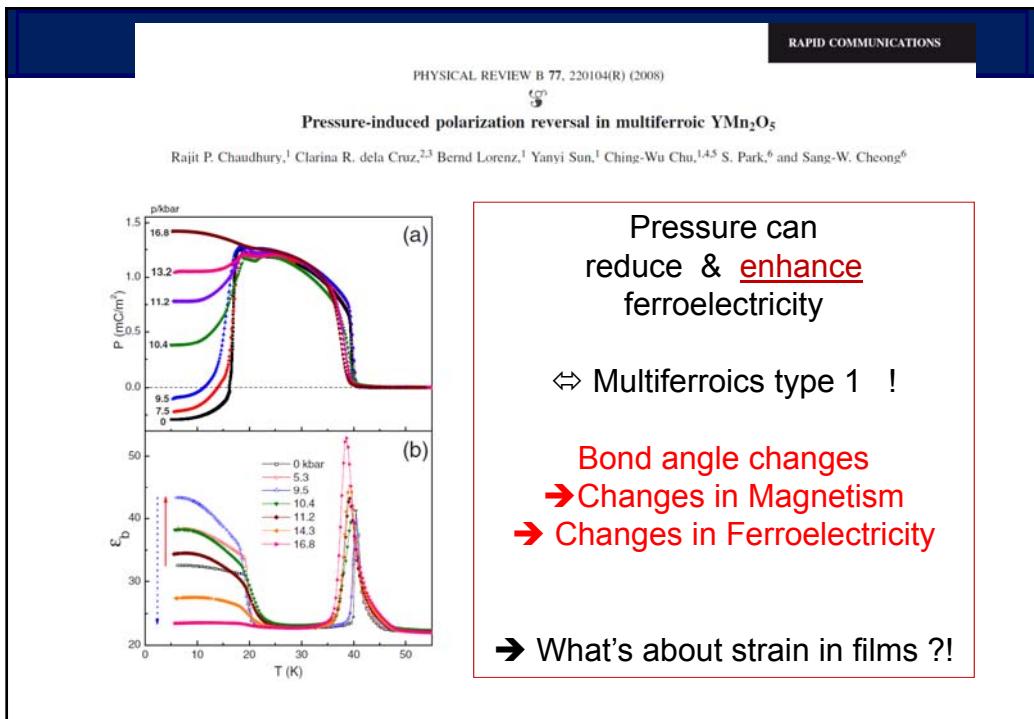
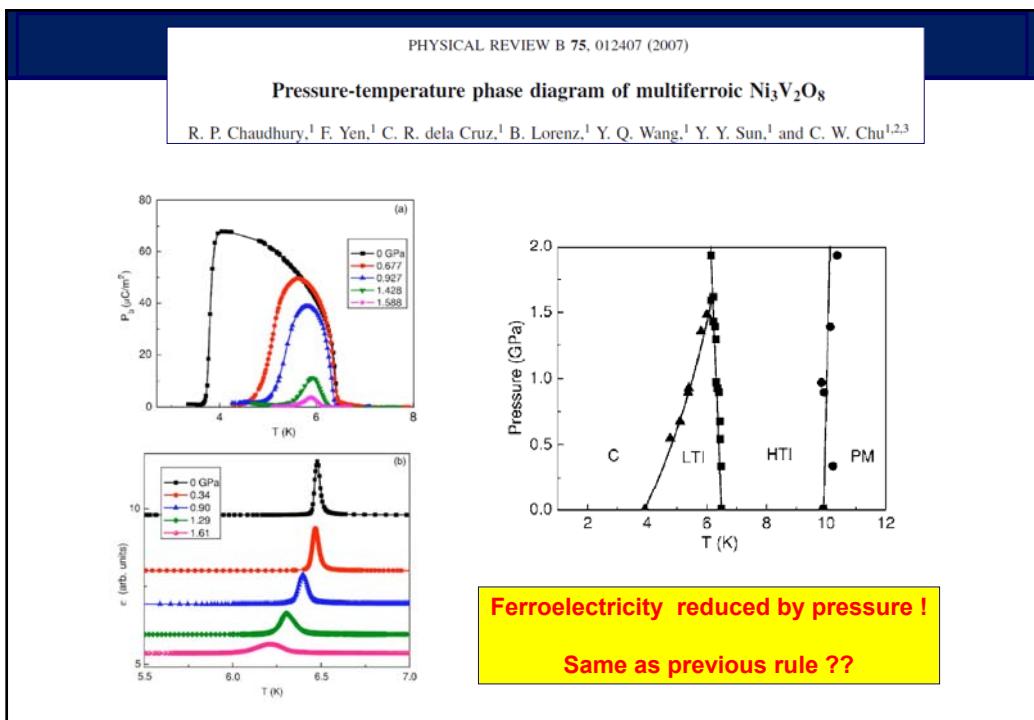
Tilts + Ferroelectricity + Magnetism

→ Type II Multiferroics

→ Ferroelectricity driven by Magnetism / CO

Same rules ?





Some interesting directions ...

Uniaxial pressure

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Giant Effect of Uniaxial Pressure on Magnetic Domain Populations in Multiferroic Bismuth Ferrite

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High-pressure synthesis

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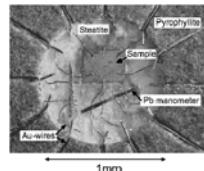
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Pressure on films



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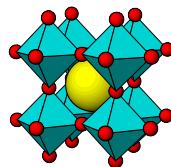
Magnetic behavior of epitaxial SrRuO_3 thin films under pressure up to 23 GPa

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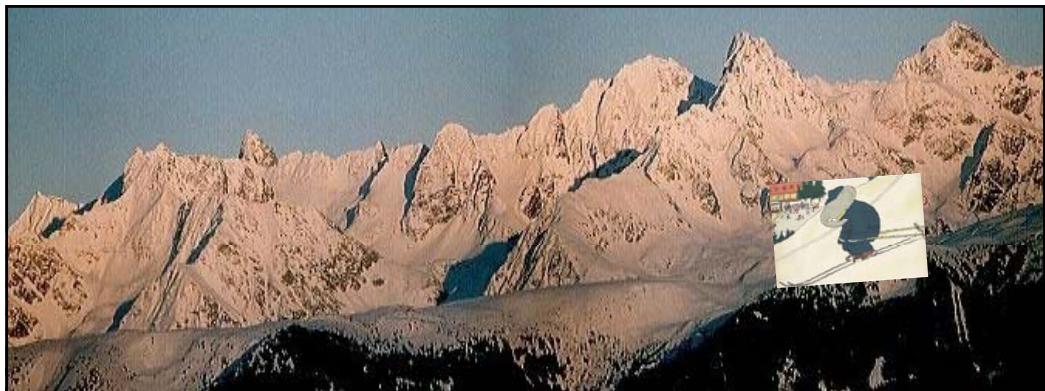
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Concluding remarks



- Pressure is a useful parameter for tuning and understanding instabilities
- Guiding rules are more complex for pressure than for T (tilts not so simple)
- Competing instabilities remain to be understood (→ multiferroics)
- Very-high pressure regime should receive more attention



“Decompressing” in Grenoble ...

(thank you for your attention !)