Uniaxial strain as a probe of unconventional superconductivity in Sr2RuO4

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Abstract

Sr2RuO4 has a strongly two-dimensional electronic structure, and is postulated to be a spin triplet superconductor with a px+ipy order parameter, making it a candidate topological material. However, the proposed order parameter symmetry remains controversial, since some of its classic signatures have not been observed in experiment. We will report our on-going experiments to probe this issue by studying its response to uniaxial strain, using novel apparatus developed in our group.

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