Fitting of Diverging Effective Mass Obtained by Quantum-Oscillation Measurements in Underdoped YBCO$_{6+x}$ Systems

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\[ m^* = m_0/(1-\rho^4) \]
where \( \rho = x_c/x \) From the fitting result, we deduce that a correlation strength is greater than 0.95, and conclude that the metal phase of the normal state in YBCO systems is a strongly correlated.