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Unconventional Magnetoresistance Oscillations in Sr_2RuO_4 KEVIN ROBERTS, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, VICTOR VAKARYUK, American Physical Society — Unconventional quantum oscillations have been detected in Sr_2RuO_4 which cannot be explained by the traditional Little-Parks effect [1]. To gain insight into the problem we use the theory of oscillatory magnetoresistance induced by thermally excited vortex transitions [2]. We numerically obtain energy barriers for vortex entry, calculate the resulting magnetoresistance, and compare our results with experimental data.

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