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**Low temperature thermal conductivity of single crystal  $\text{Ba}_{1-x}\text{K}_x\text{Fe}_2\text{As}_2$**  J.-P. REID <sup>1</sup>, M.A. TANATAR <sup>2</sup>, X. LUO <sup>1</sup>, N. DOIRON-LEYRAUD <sup>1</sup>, N. NI <sup>3</sup>, S.L. BUD'KO <sup>2,3</sup>, P.C. CANFIELD <sup>2,3</sup>, H. LUP <sup>4</sup>, Z. WANG <sup>4</sup>, H.H. WEN <sup>4</sup>, R. PROZOROV <sup>2,3</sup>, LOUIS TAILLEFER <sup>1</sup>, <sup>1</sup> DÉPARTEMENT DE PHYSIQUE, UNIVERSITÉ DE SHERBROOKE, QUÉBEC, CANADA TEAM, <sup>2</sup> AMES LABORATORY, AMES, IOWA, USA COLLABORATION, <sup>3</sup> DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS AND ASTRONOMY, IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY, AMES, IOWA, USA COLLABORATION, <sup>4</sup> NATIONAL LABORATORY FOR SUPERCONDUCTIVITY, CHINESE ACADEMY OF SCIENCES, CHINA COLLABORATION — Novel iron-arsenic based superconductors with  $T_c > 50$  K form a good reference for studying physical processes, underlying high- $T_c$  superconductivity. Indeed, the importance of unique features of the superconductivity in cuprates, like proximity to Mott insulating state in the phase diagram, magnetism, d-wave superconducting pairing can be tested experimentally. Here we report a study aiming at understanding the symmetry of the superconducting gap in iron-arsenic compounds. Temperature and magnetic field dependence of low temperature thermal conductivity of  $\text{Ba}_{1-x}\text{K}_x\text{Fe}_2\text{As}_2$  single crystals was studied down to 60 mK ( $T_c/500$ ) and in magnetic fields up to 15 T ( $H/H_{c2} \cong 0.25$ ). We find no residual linear term in zero magnetic field and can therefore exclude a superconducting gap with a line of nodes.

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