

Magnetism and Matter

MM-3: Magnetic Interactions

Stefan Blügel

Peter Grünberg Institut and Institute for Advanced Simulation

Forschungszentrum Jülich, Germany

Conclusion of my lecture

- Competing interactions leads to complex magnetic structures.
- Magnetism is a field with many different types of interactions at different length and energy scales.
- The competition can be altered by temperature and time (non-equilibrium excitations).
- Additional complexity is provided by spatial constrictions.
- The magnetic structures can be very complex and very esthetic.
- Some magnetic structures have strong impact on electron transport properties.

Outline

- Conclusion of my lecture
- Zoo of Interactions
- Reminder Magnetic Interactions
- Examples of Magnetic Phases
 - Collinear ones
 - Non-collinear ones
- Magnetism of single atoms
 - See lecture MM-1
 - Open shell atoms in crystal field
- Dipolar Interaction
- Magnetic anisotropy
 - Phenomenological description of the Anisotropy
 - Quenching of orbital moment
 - Magnetocrystalline anisotropy
- Heisenberg Model
- Dzyalonskii Moriya Interaction

But also Small Things Matter !



"David, I want you tested for steroids."

Zoo of magnetic interactions

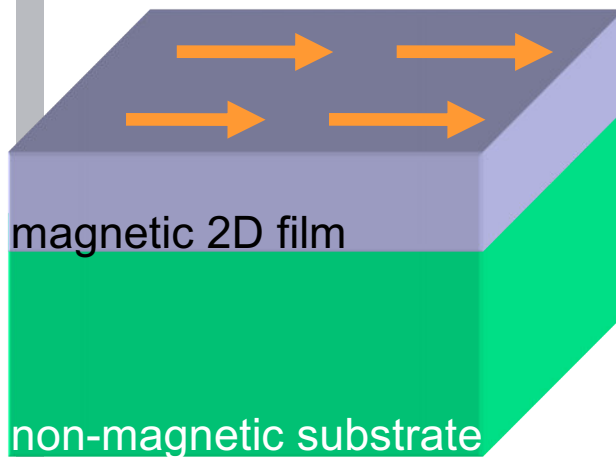
- Dipol interaction
- Nuclear spin - electron spin interaction
- Direct exchange interaction
- Indirect exchange Interaction
- Superexchange Interaction
- Double exchange Interaction
- Kinetic exchange Interaction
- Zener p-d exchange Interaction
- Ruderman-Kittel-Kasuya-Yosida (RKKY) interaction
- Biquadratic exchange Interaction
- Pseudo-dipolar exchange Interaction
- Magnetic anisotropy Interaction
- Dzyaloshinskii-Moriya interaction

1) Reminder Magnetic Interactions

- Magnetism is a field with many different types of interactions at different length and energy scales.

Some Fundamental Interactions

Typical Energies: ≈ 1 eV



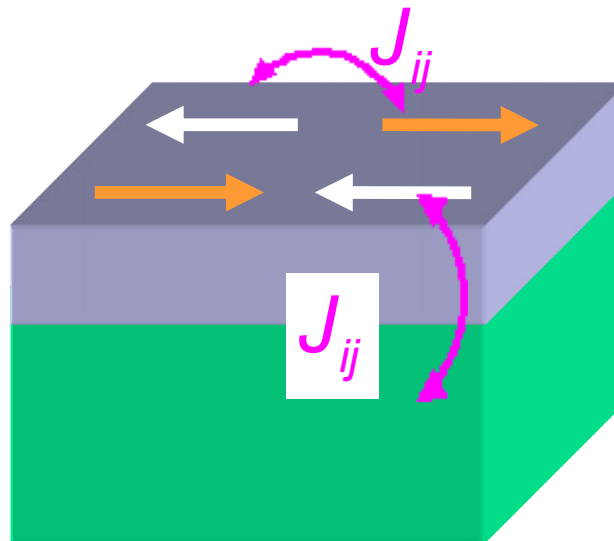
Magnetic Moments

Magnetism: Yes or No?

Intra-atomic Exchange

$$H = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_i I_i m_i^2$$

≈ 0.2 eV



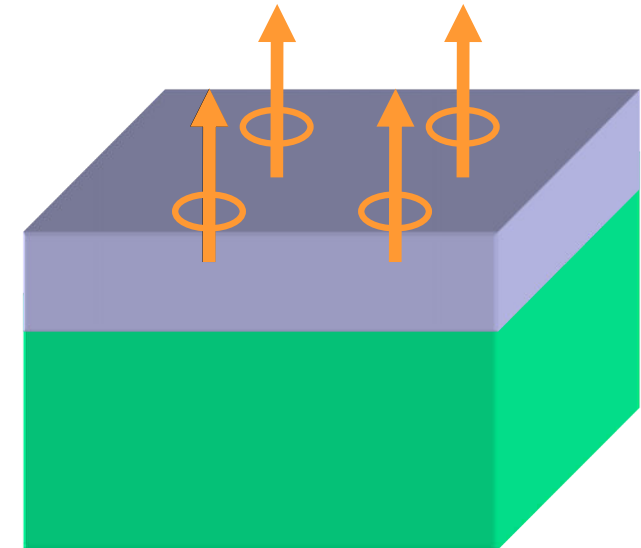
Magnetic Order

Ferro $\longleftrightarrow$ Antiferro

Inter-atomic Exchange

$$H = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} J_{i,j} \vec{m}_i \vec{m}_j$$

≈ 0.0005 eV



Magnetic Orientation

In-plane $\longleftrightarrow$ Out-of-plane

Spin-Orbit + Dipole-Dip

$$H = \sum_i K_i (\vec{m}_i \vec{e}_i)^2 + \sum_{i,j} \frac{1}{r_{i,j}^3} [\dots]$$

Typical Ground State Energies

	E(eV/atom)
Cohesive energy	5.5
Local moment formation	1.0
Alloy formation	0.5
Magnetic order	0.2
Structural relaxation	0.05
Magnetic anisotropy	0.0005

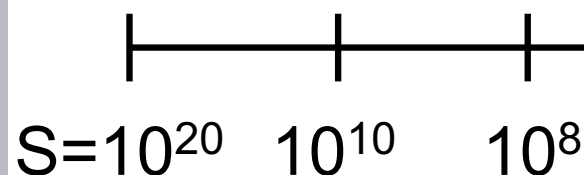
[Of course: Thermal excitation, dynamics,....]

Magnetism on all scales:

What happens to Magnetism on the Way from Large to Small

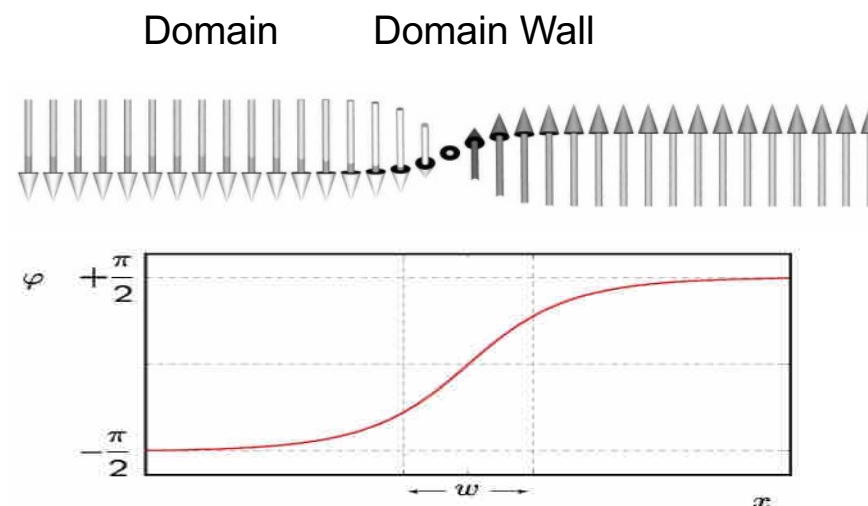
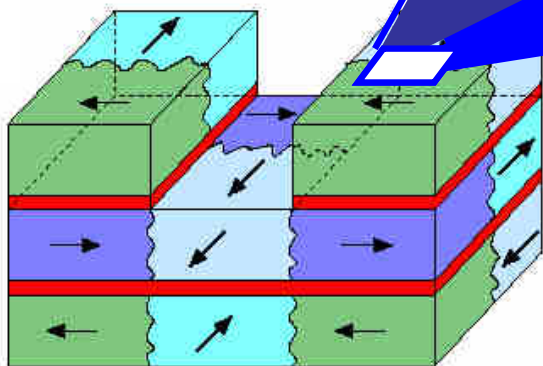
macroscopic

permanent magnets micron particles

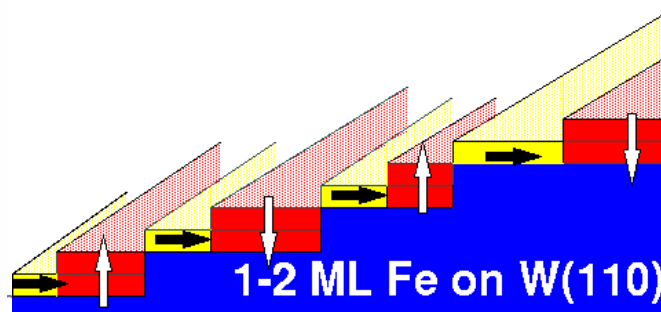


com

micrometer s



quantum tunneling,
quantization
quantum interference

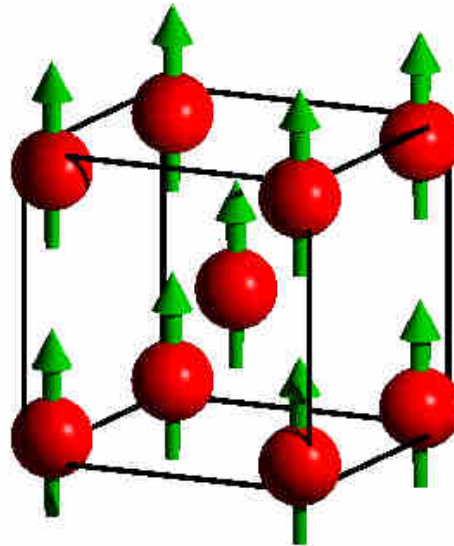


“Single Molecule”
Magnets

2. Magnetic Phases

2.1 Collinear Magnetic Phases

ferromagnet

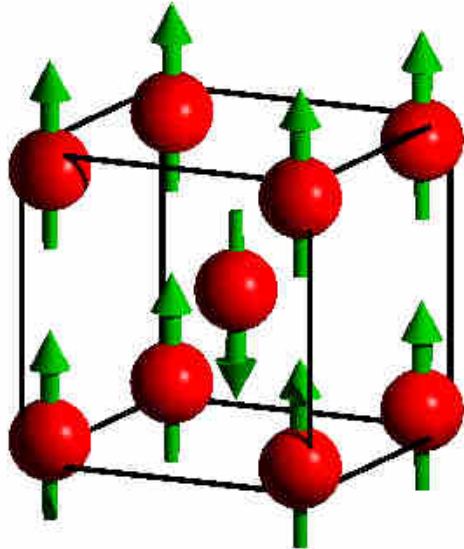


bcc-Fe:

$$M = 2.12 \mu_B$$

Bulk Magnetism

Simplified model of a
spin density wave

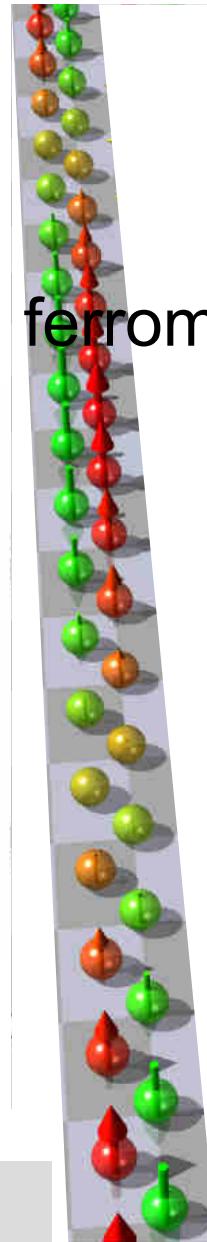


bcc-Cr:

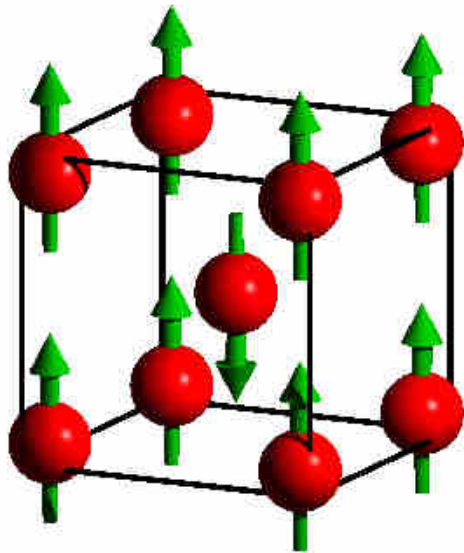
$$M = 0.59 \mu_B$$

Lecture MM-3, | ESM-

ferromagnet

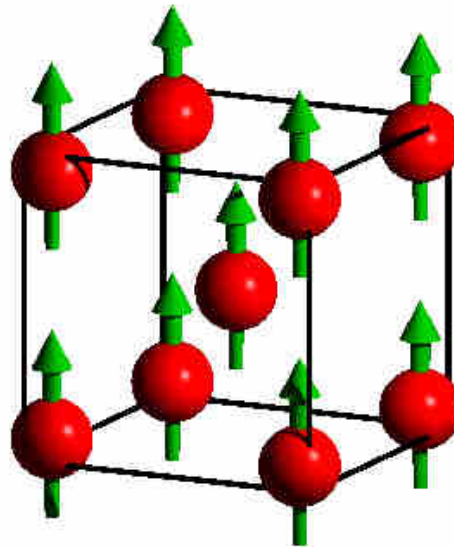


- Itinerant magnets (metals)
- Collinear magnetic structure (quantization axis the same at each atom)



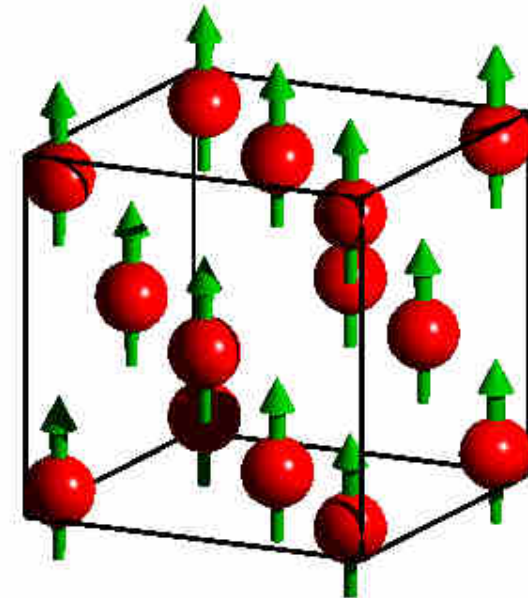
bcc-Cr:

$$M = 0.59 \mu_B \times \cos(1 - \delta) \frac{\pi}{a} n a$$



bcc-Fe:

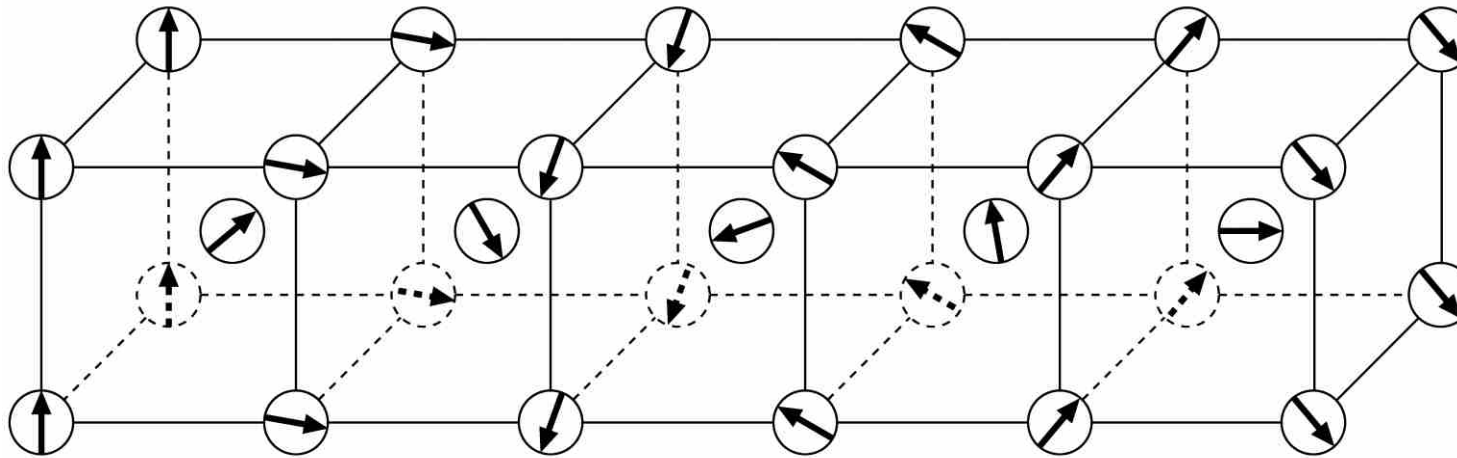
$$M = 2.12 \mu_B$$



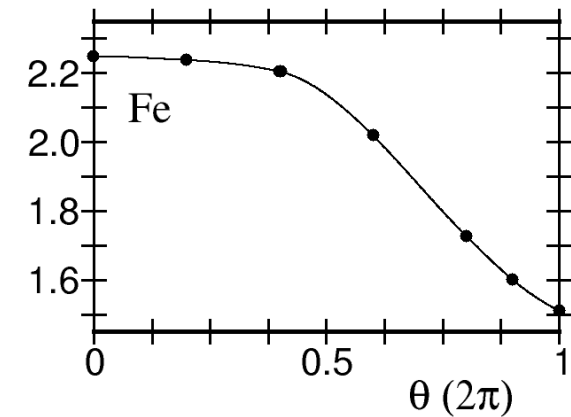
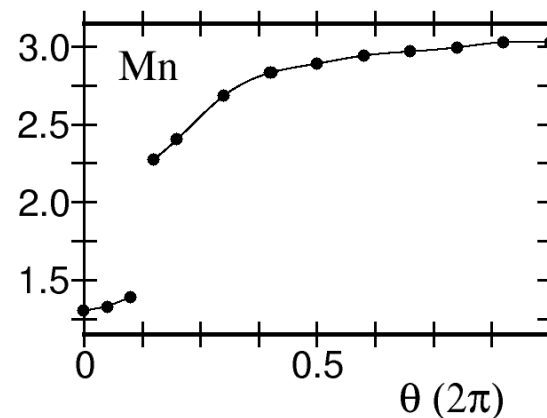
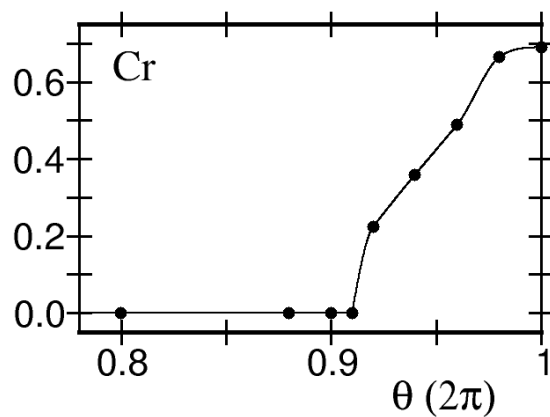
fcc-Ni:

$$M = 0.55 \mu_B$$

Signature of Itinerant magnetism



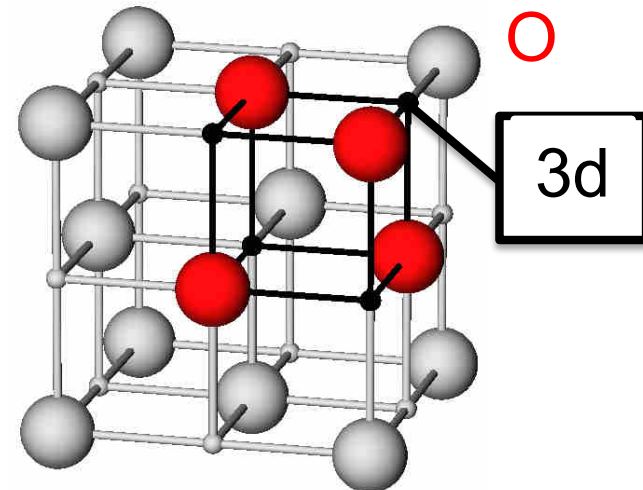
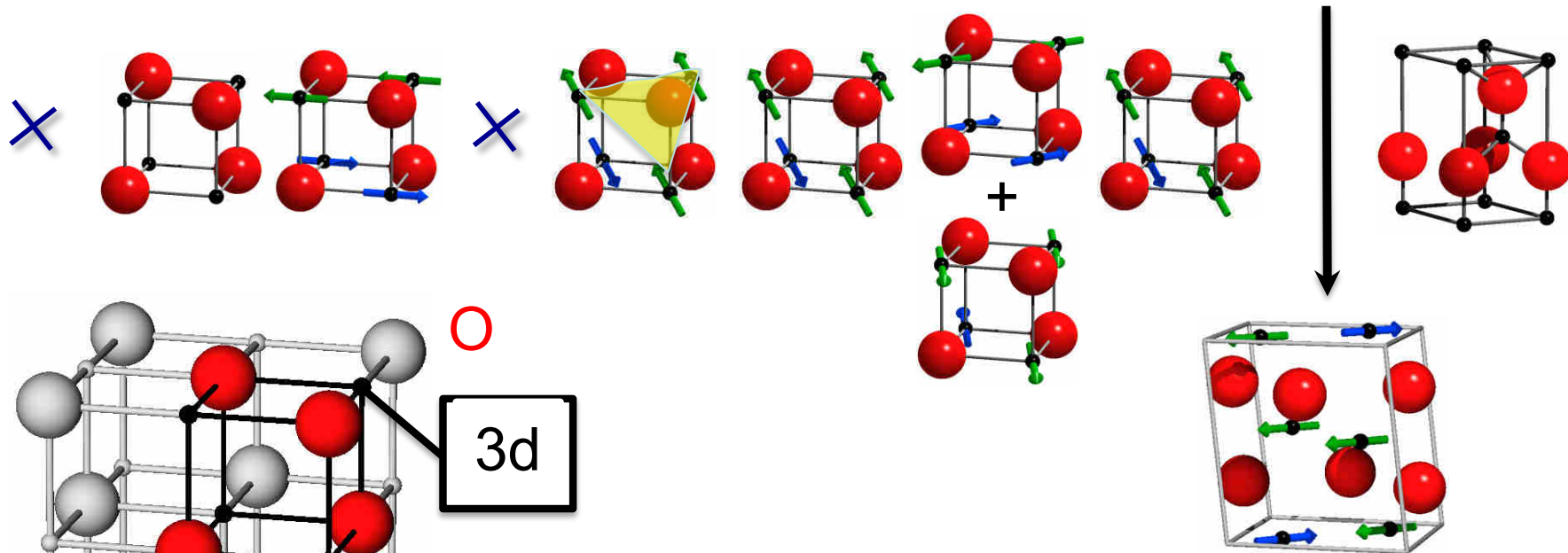
Magn. Moment



S. Blügel, G. Bihlmayer in: Handbook of Magnetism and Advanced Magnetic Materials (2007)

Example 2: Transition-metal mono-oxides

ScO TiO VO CrO MnO FeO CoO NiO CuO ZnO

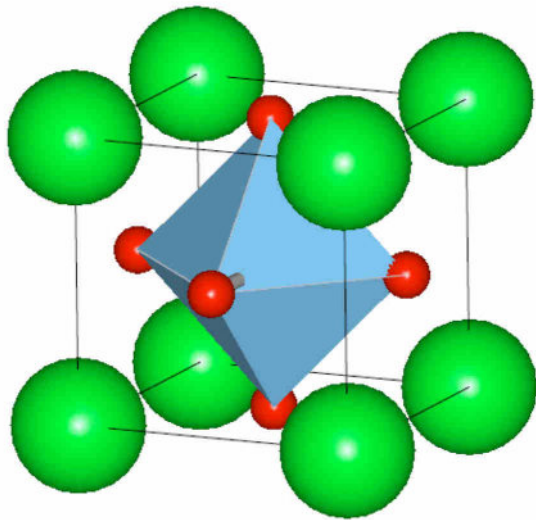


Rock Salt structure

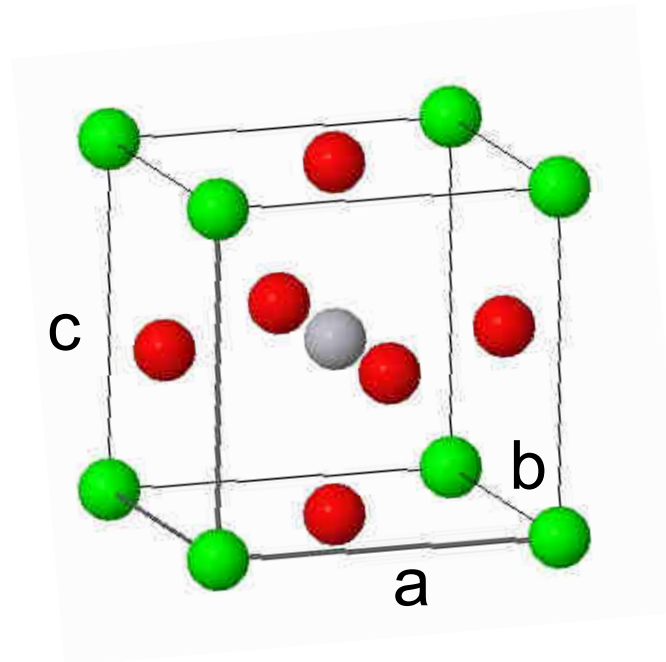
■ Question:
How is such a variety of magnetic configurations realized ?

Example 3: Perovskites ABO_3

Crystal Structures and Chemical Bonds in TMO

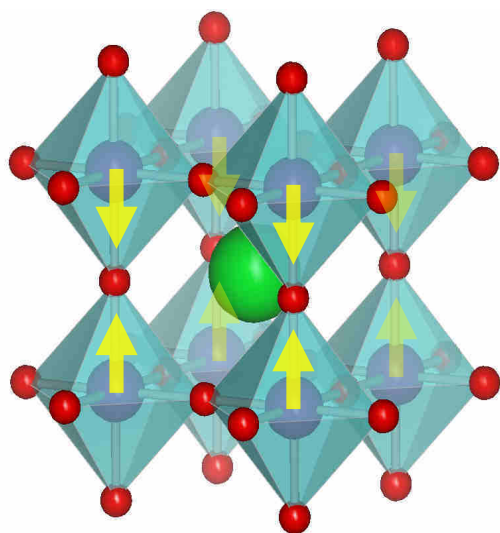
 $\wedge$

TM-ion

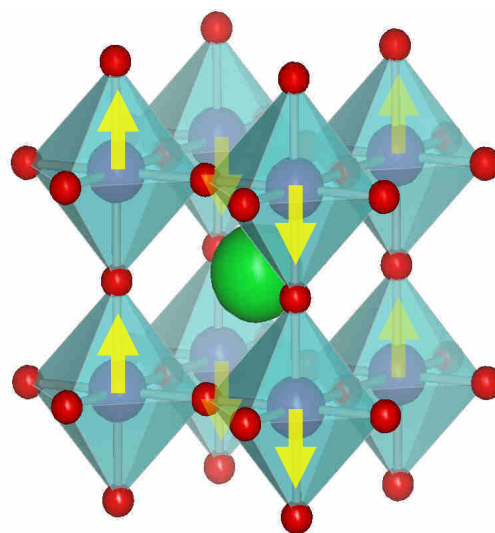


$$a=b=c$$

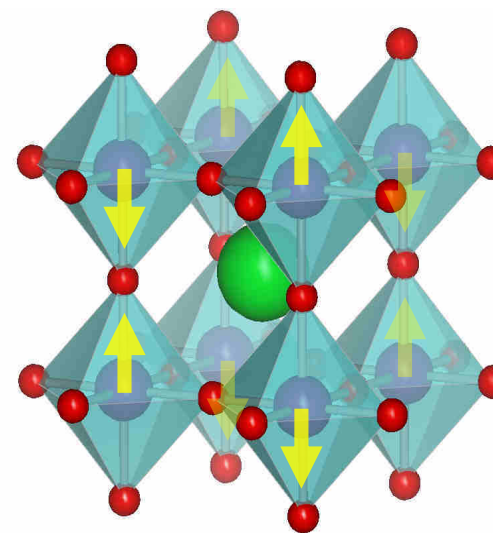
Example 3: Perovskites $[\text{La}_{1-x}\text{Sr}_x]\text{MnO}_3$



AFM-A-type



AFM-C-type



AFM-G-type

▪ Remark 2:

Novel Physical Properties Originate from Variety of Antiferromagnetic Configurations

- Colossal magnetoresistance
- Half-metallicity

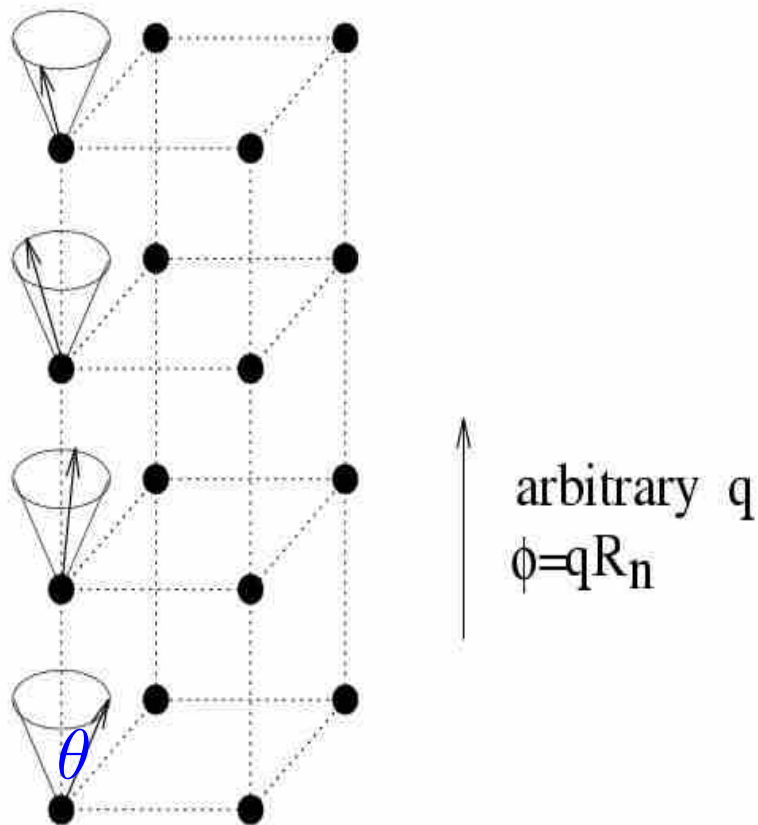
Spin spiral

Canted antiferromagnetic

2. Magnetic Phases

2.2 Non-Collinear Magnetic Phases

Incommensurate Spin Spiral



Spin-spiral is characterized by

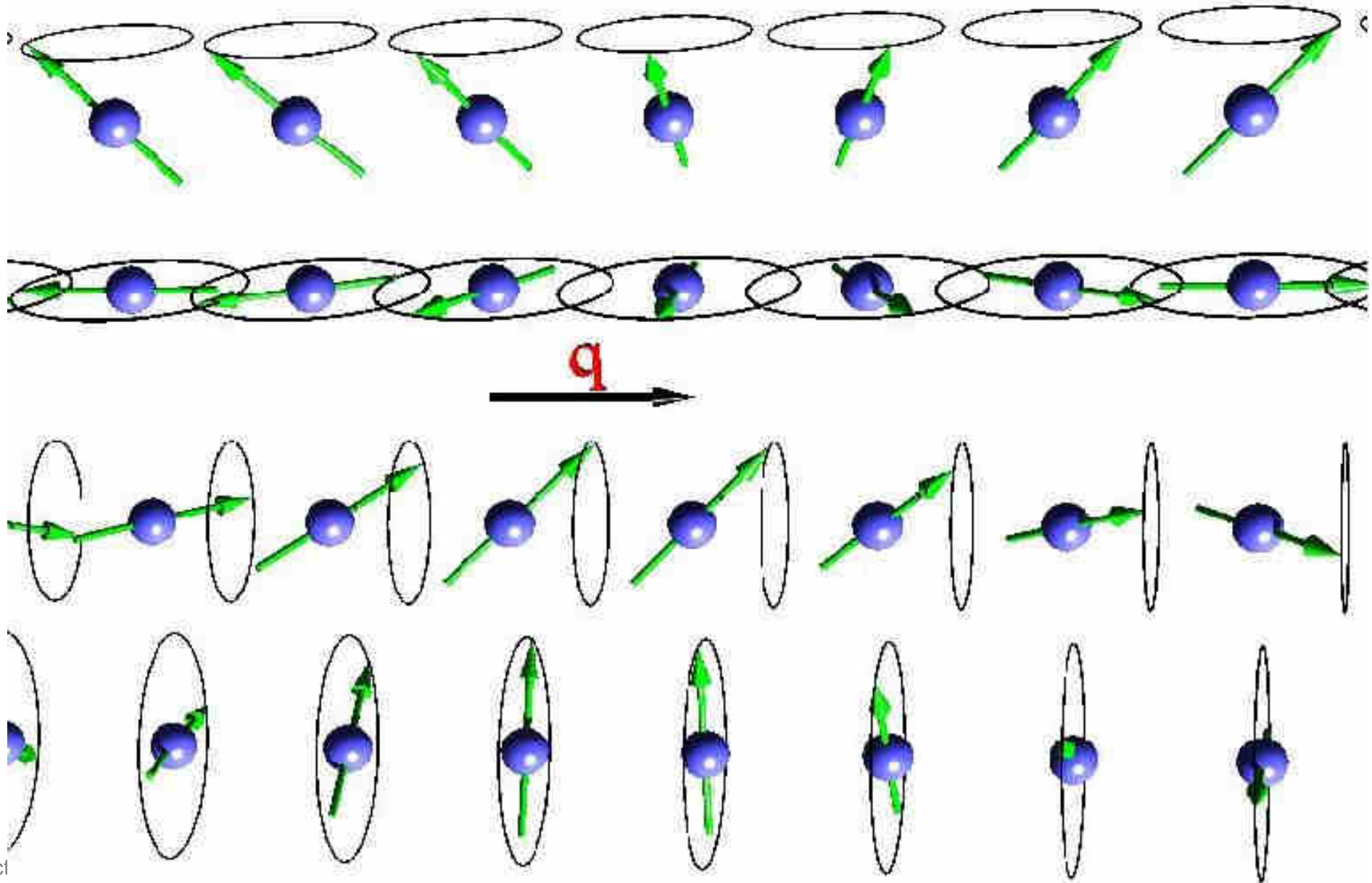
- Wave vector
- Rotation axis
- Cone angle

$$\vec{M}^n = M \left\{ \begin{array}{cc} \sin \theta & \cos \vec{q} \vec{R}^n \\ \sin \theta & \sin \vec{q} \vec{R}^n \\ \underbrace{\cos \theta}_{\text{cone angle}} & \underbrace{\uparrow}_{\text{wave vector}} \end{array} \right\}$$

This particular example:

helical coned spin spiral $\vec{q} \parallel \hat{z}$

Flat Spiral and Spiral with cones

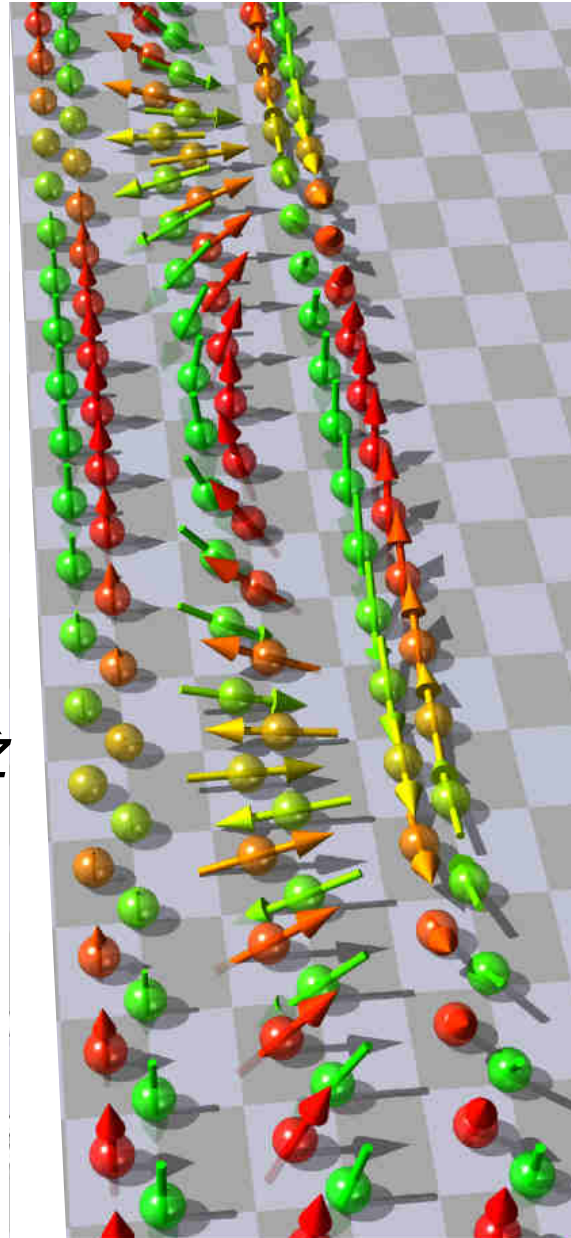


Non-collinear Magnetism

spin-density
wave

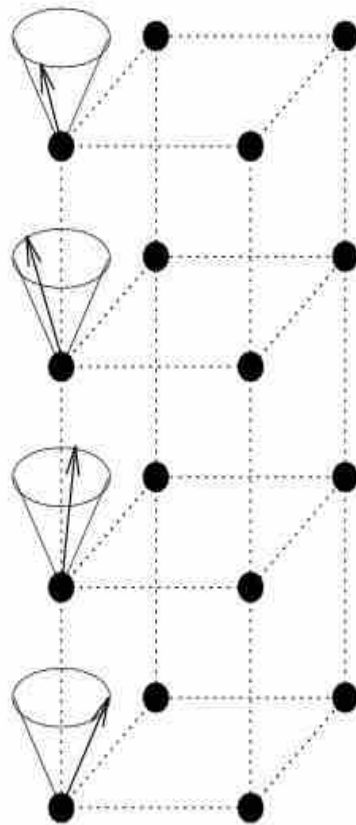
helical spin spiral $\vec{q} \parallel \hat{z}$

cycloidal spin
spiral $\vec{q} \perp \hat{z}$



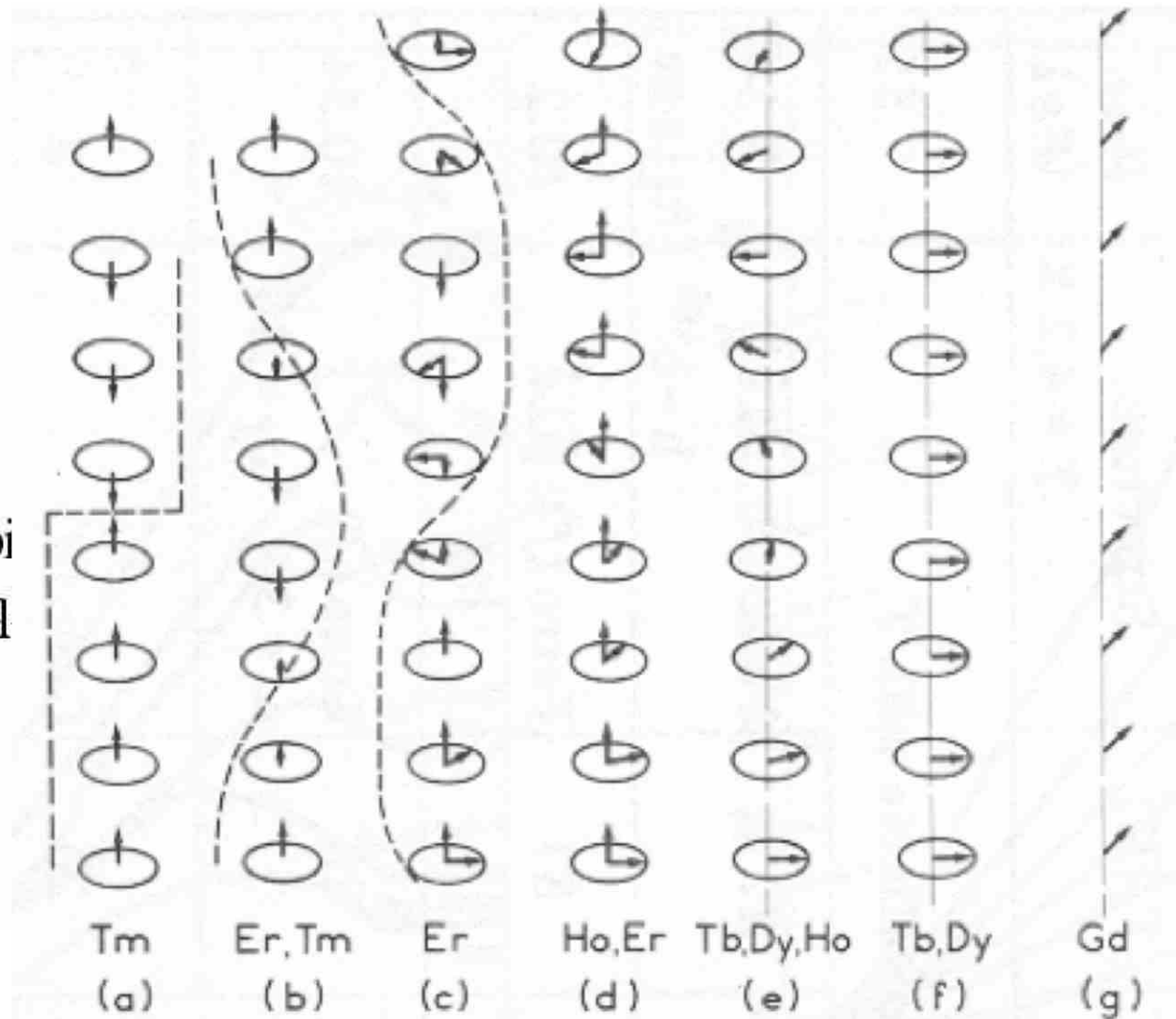
Example 4: 4f-Helimagnets

Incommensurate Spin Spiral



arbi
 $\phi = q$

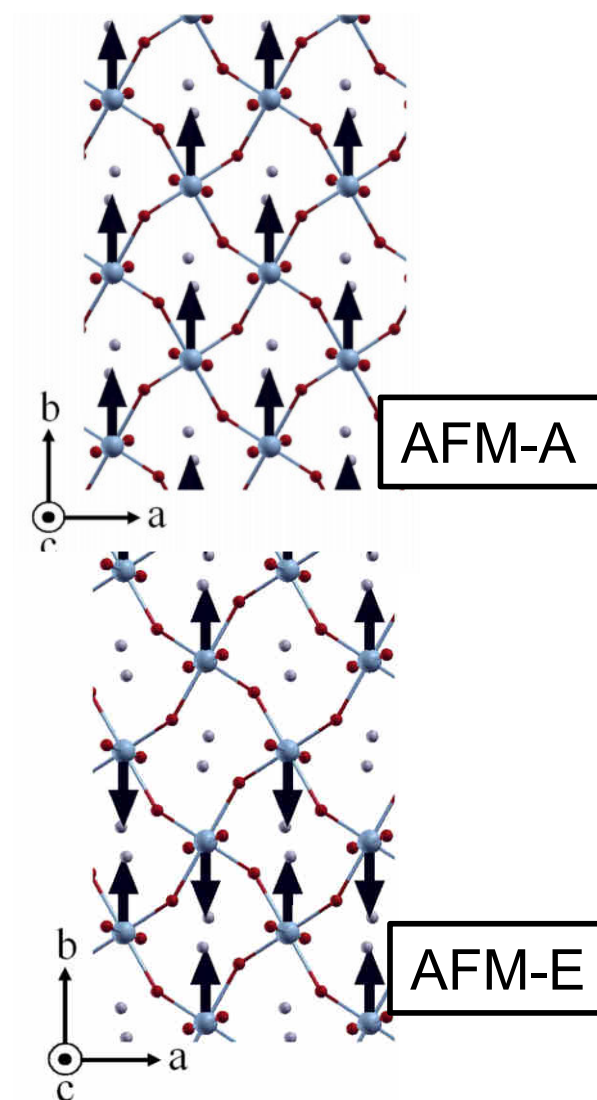
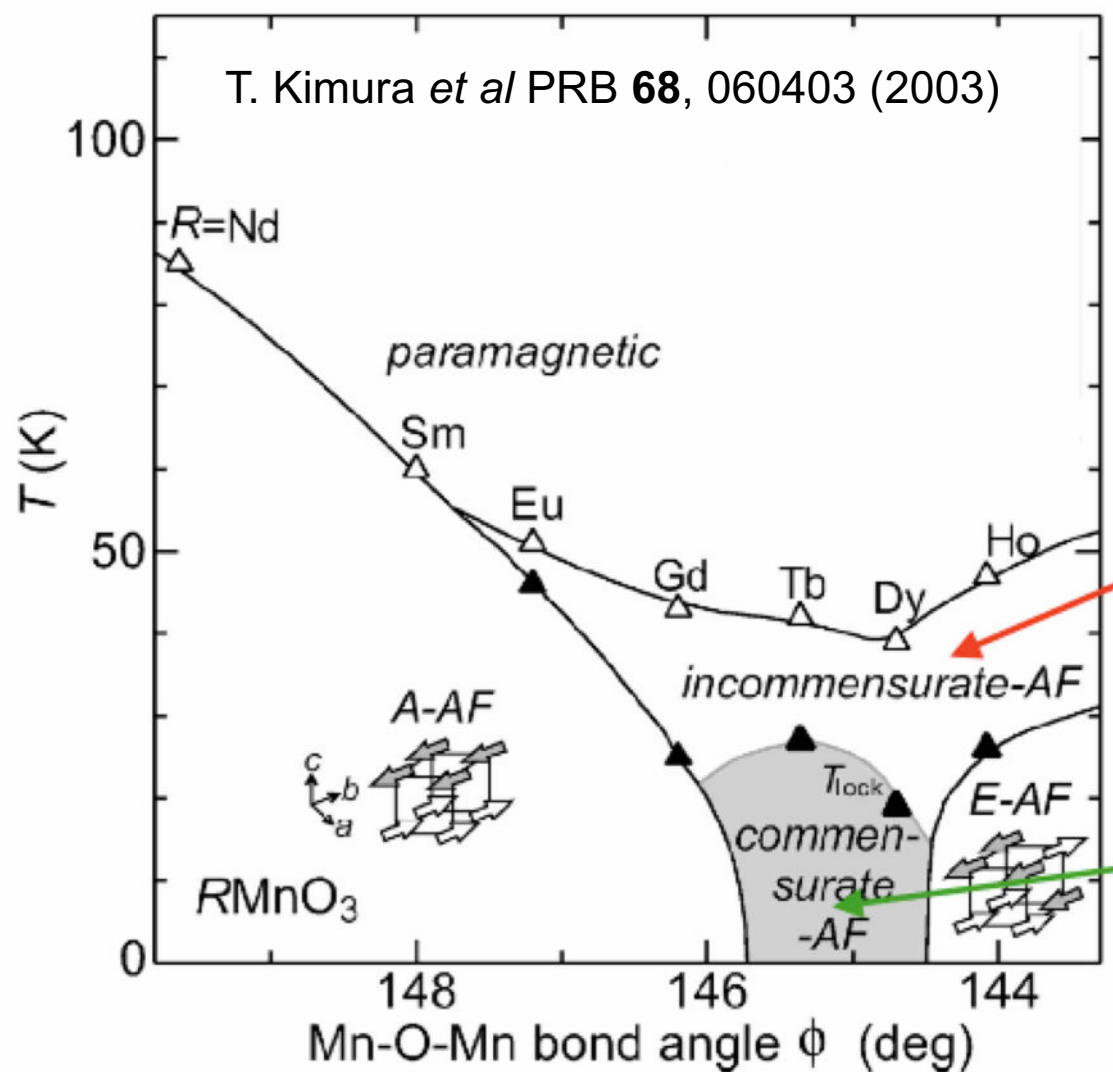
58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71
Ce	Pr	Nd	Pm	Sm	Eu	Gd	Tb	Dy	Ho	Er	Tm	Yb	Lu



Example 6: Orthorhombic RMnO_3

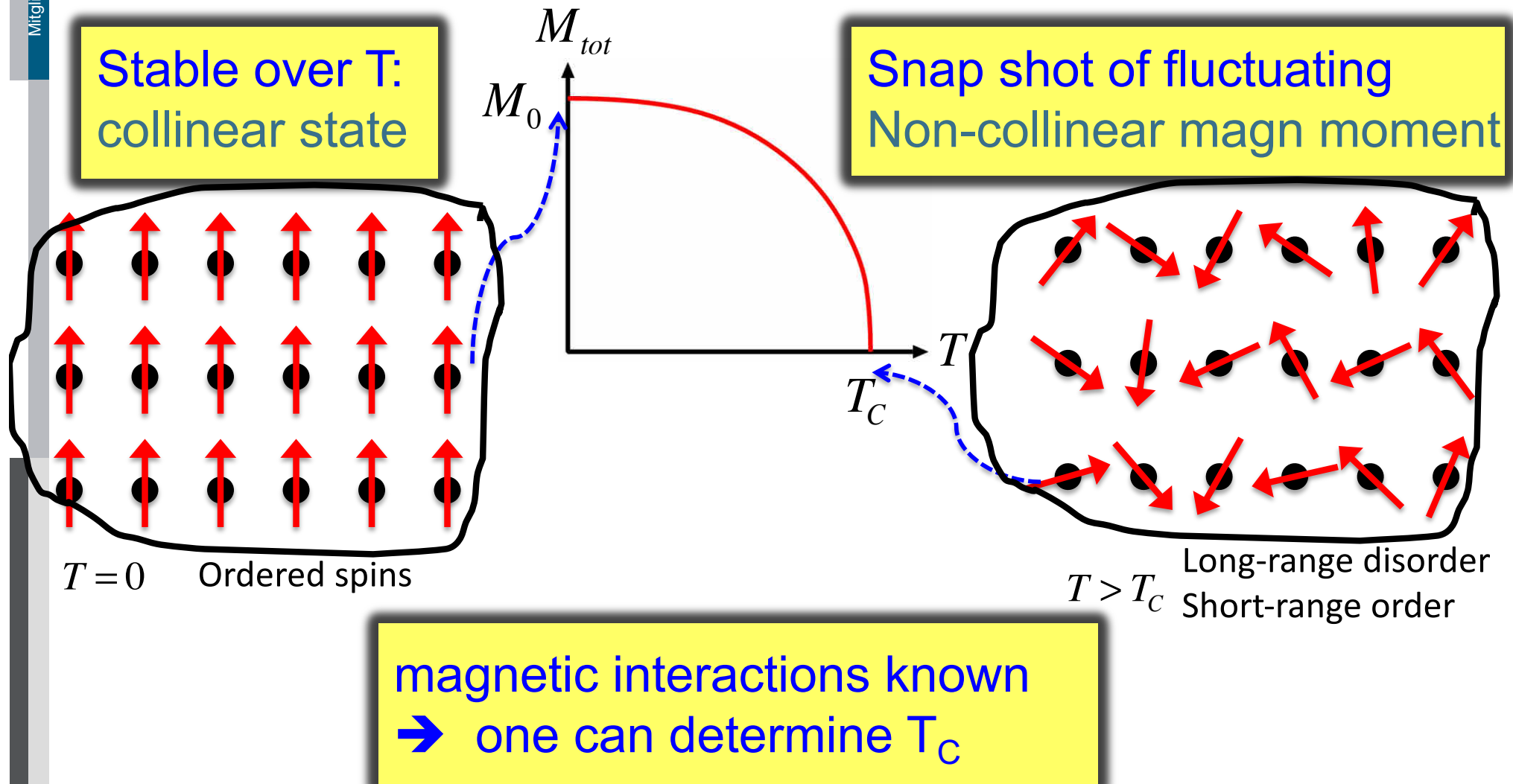
R=Rare Earth

58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71
Ce	Pr	Nd	Pm	Sm	Eu	Gd	Tb	Dy	Ho	Er	Tm	Yb	Lu

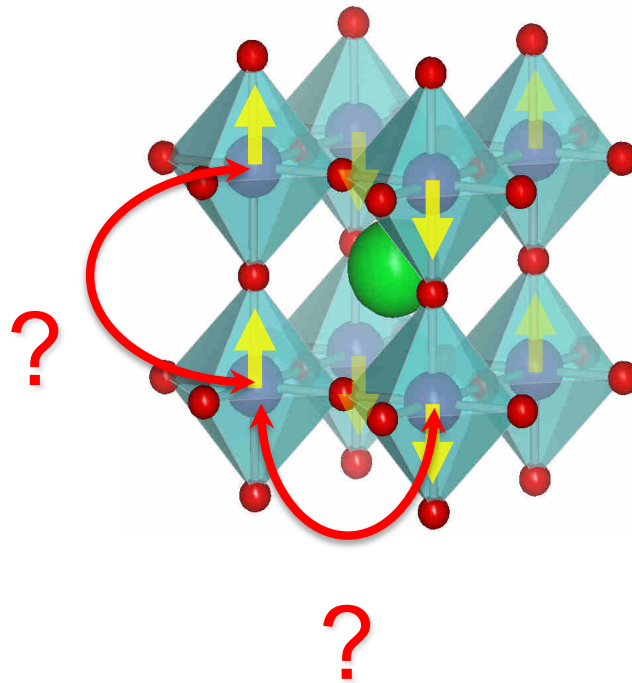


Example 7: finite temperature magnetism

Spontaneous magnetization: $\vec{M}(B_{\text{ext}}, T) = \frac{1}{V} < \sum_i \vec{m}_i(B_{\text{ext}}) >$



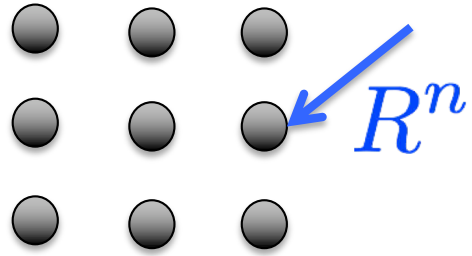
Aim the lecture: understanding exchange Interactions



Exchange Interactions

Origin of Exchange Interaction

◆ Hamiltonian

$$H = \sum_i \left\{ \frac{p_i^2}{2m} - \sum_n \frac{Z^n}{|r_i - R^n|} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j \neq i} \frac{1}{|r_i - r_j|} \right\}$$


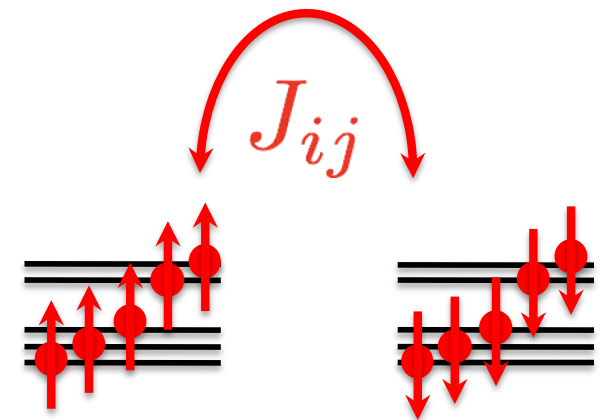
◆ Surprise ! Hamiltonian **not** explicit spin dependent:

$$[H, S^2] = 0 \quad \wedge \quad [H, S_z] = 0$$



◆ Effective Spin-Hamiltonian

$$H_{2\text{-spin}} = \sum_{i,j} J_{ij} \mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j$$



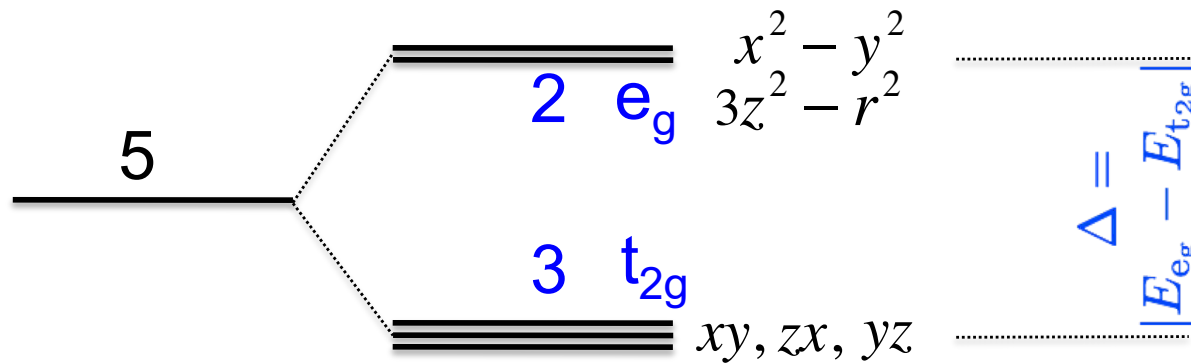
1. Magnetism of single atoms



Discussed in lecture MM-1

Open shell atom in crystal field

See for more information: Crystal Field Theory

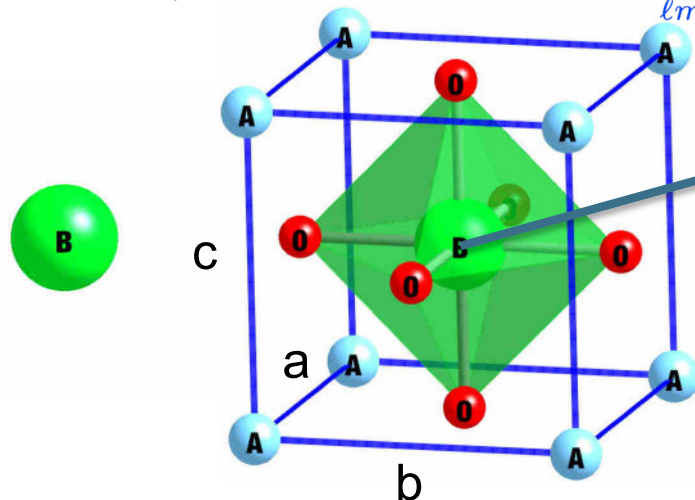


Free atom

$$V_o(r) = -\frac{Z}{r}$$

Cubic $a=b=c$

$$V(\vec{r}) = -\frac{Z}{r} + \sum_{\ell m} V_{\ell m}(r) \mathcal{Y}_{\ell m}(\hat{r})$$



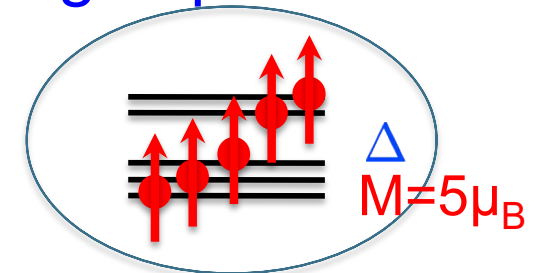
Octrahedral
Environment
e.g: perovskite



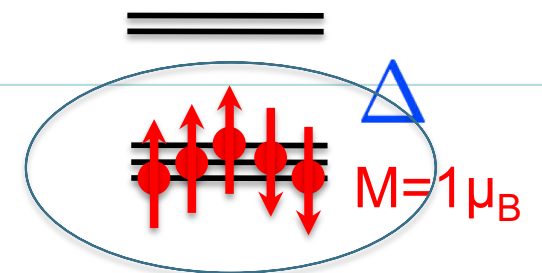
TM-ion

$$\Delta = |E_{e_g} - E_{t_{2g}}|$$

◆ Δ =small
high-spin state

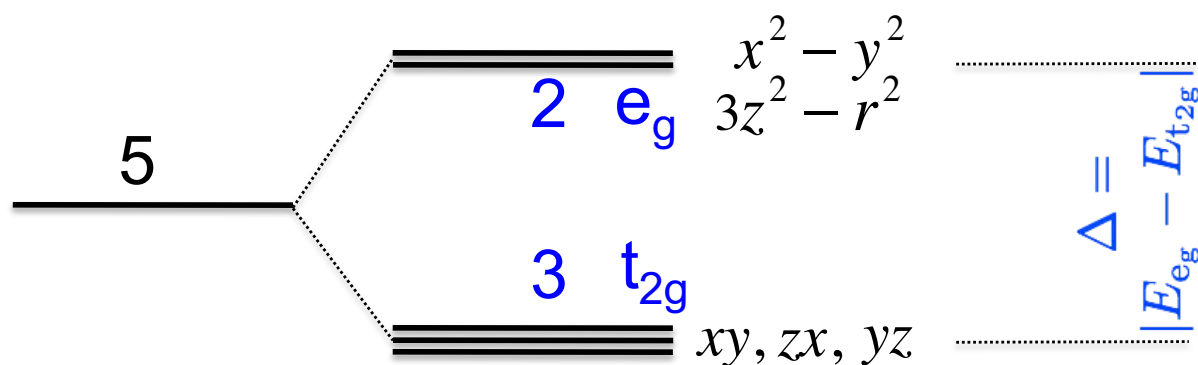


◆ Δ =large
low-spin state



Open shell atom in crystal field

M. Ležaić A3: Crystal Field Theory and Jahn-Teller Effect

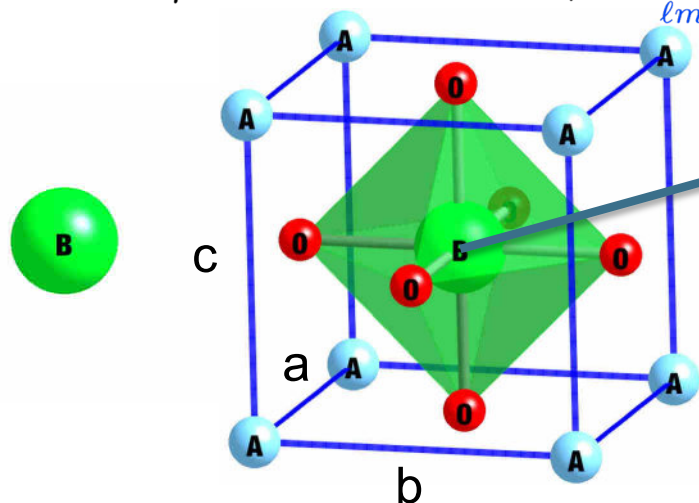


Free atom

$$V_o(r) = -\frac{Z}{r}$$

Cubic $a=b=c$

$$V(\vec{r}) = -\frac{Z}{r} + \sum_{\ell m} V_{\ell m}(r) \mathcal{Y}_{\ell m}(\hat{r})$$

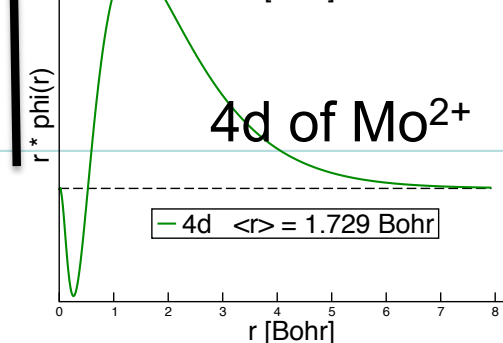
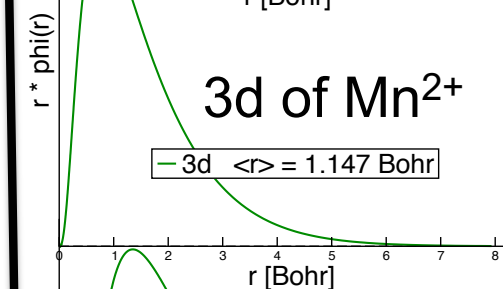
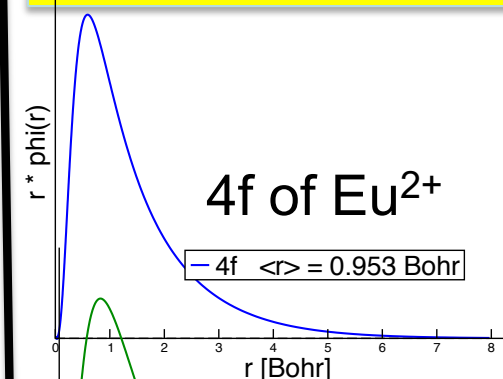


Octrahedral
Environment
e.g: perovskite

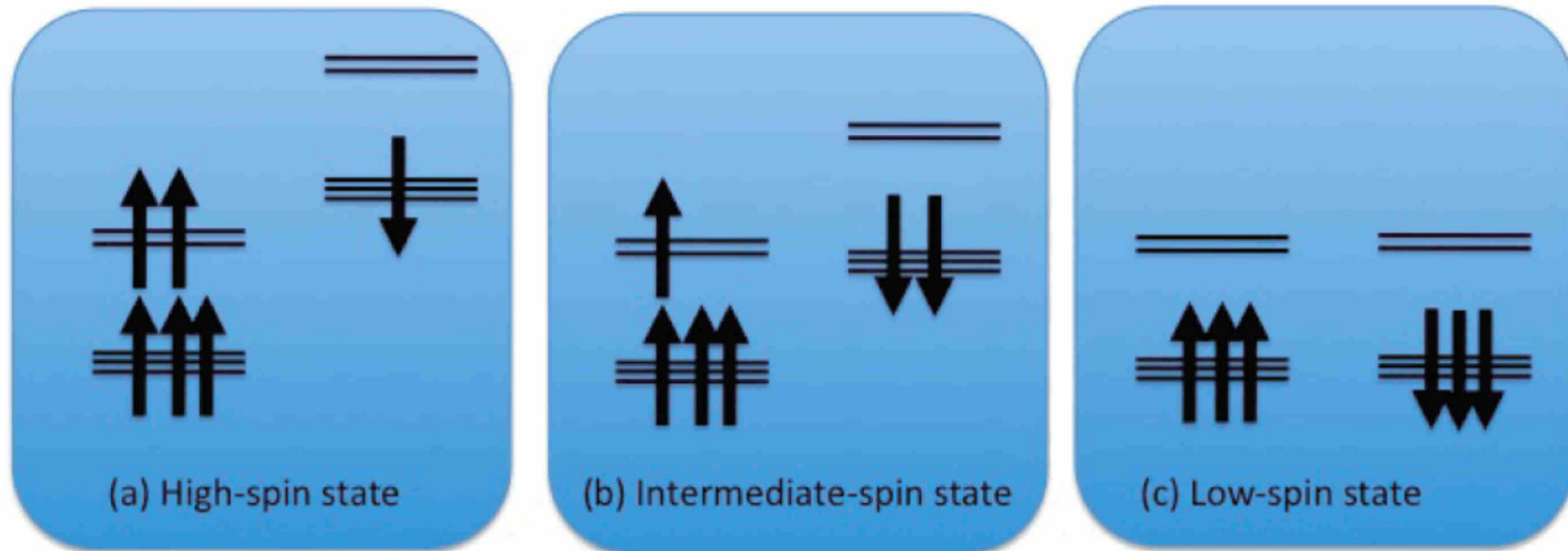


TM-ion

$$\Delta = |E_{e_g} - E_{t_{2g}}|$$



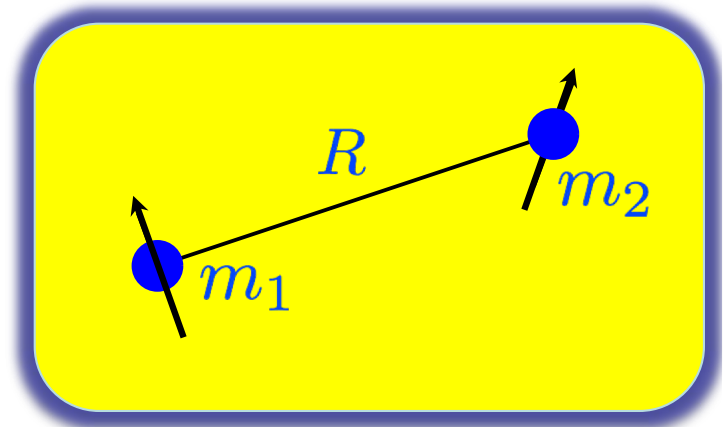
Example: Co^{3+} in cubic crystal



Dipolar Interaction

Energy of a pair of magnetic moments

$$E(\vec{m}_1, \vec{m}_2; \vec{R}) = \frac{\vec{m}_1 \cdot \vec{m}_2 - 3(\vec{m}_1 \cdot \hat{R})(\vec{m}_2 \cdot \hat{R})}{R^3}$$



Energy of magnetic moments on a lattice
(ferromagnetic state, moments along z-direction)

$$E_{\text{FM}}^z = \frac{m_z^2}{R_o^3} \sum_{\vec{a}} \sum_{\vec{n}} \frac{[1 - 3(\hat{R}_z)^2]}{(R\vec{n})^3}.$$

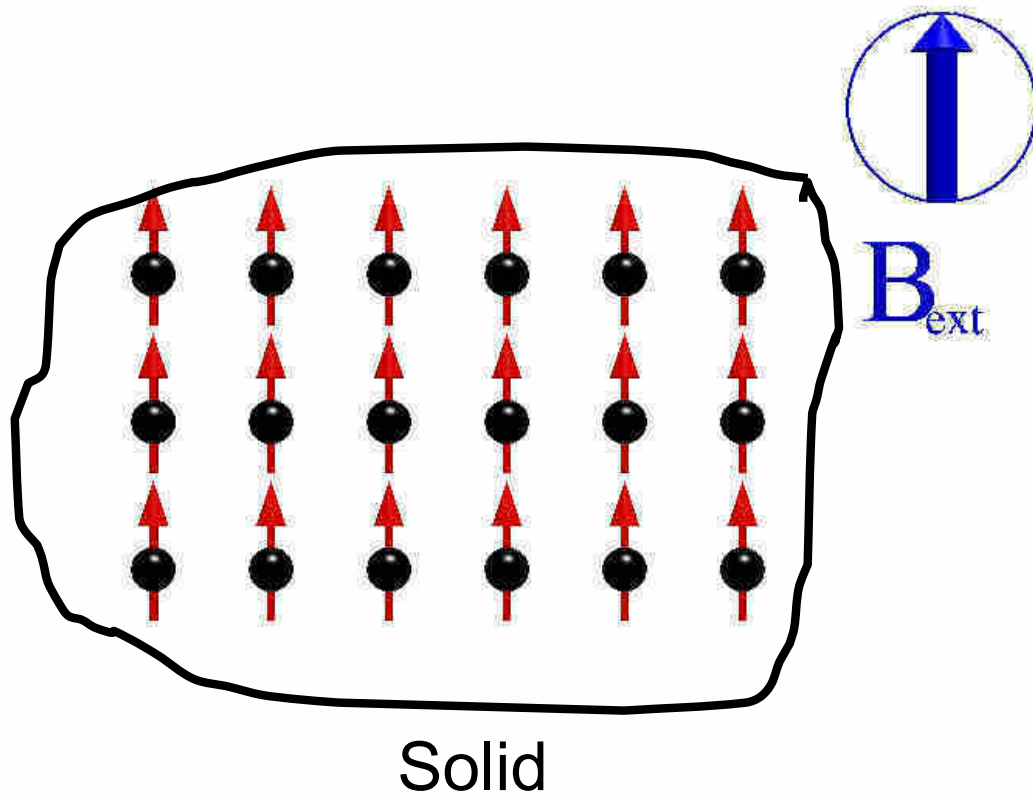
Energy scale: (lattice constant $\approx 2 \text{ \AA} \approx 4 a_0$; spin $S=1/2$; $g \approx 2$)

$$\frac{m^2}{R^3} \sim \frac{(g \cdot \mu_B \cdot \frac{1}{2})^2}{(4a_0)^3} = \frac{1}{4^3} \cdot \left(\frac{e\hbar}{2m_e c} \right)^2 \left(\frac{m_e e^2}{\hbar^2} \right)^2 \frac{1}{a_0} = \frac{1}{2 \cdot 4^3} = \underbrace{\alpha^2}_{=(1/137)^2} \cdot \underbrace{\frac{e^2}{2a_0}}_{1 \text{ Ry}}$$

$$\frac{m^2}{R^3} \sim \frac{1}{128} \cdot \frac{1}{18769} \text{ Ry} \sim 3 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ eV} \approx k_B \times 0.05 \text{ K} \ll k_B T_C \quad (T_C \approx 100 \text{ to } 1000 \text{ K})$$

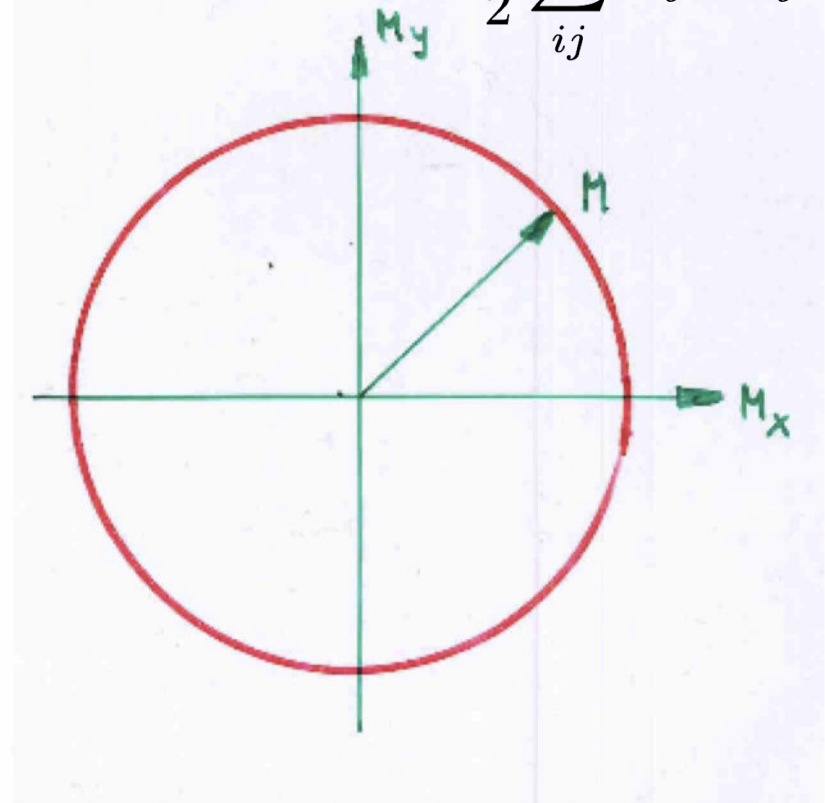
Magnetic Anisotropy

Rotation of Magnetization



Isotropic: $E(|\vec{M}|)$

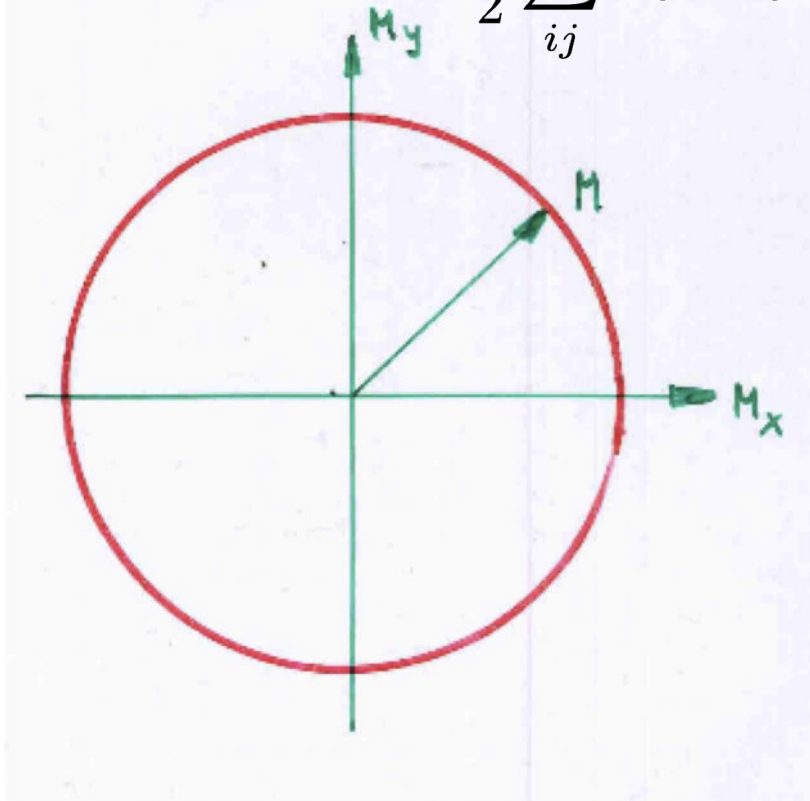
(Heisenberg: $H = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} J_{ij} \vec{S}_i \vec{S}_j$)



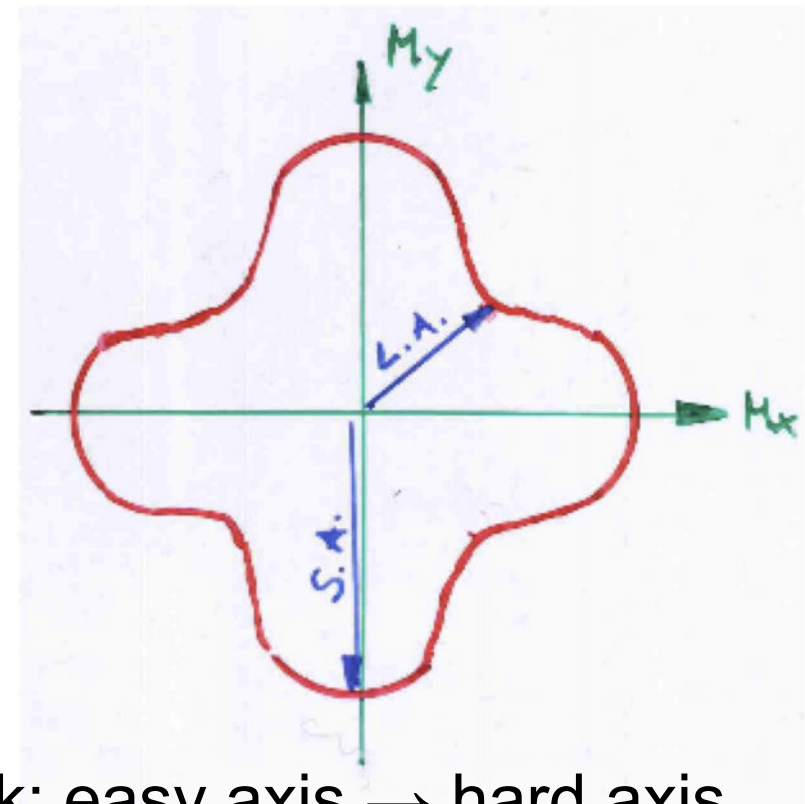
Magnetic anisotropy of Energy

Isotropic: $E(|\vec{M}|)$

(Heisenberg: $H = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} J_{ij} \vec{S}_i \vec{S}_j$)



Energy anisotropy: $E(|\hat{M}|)$

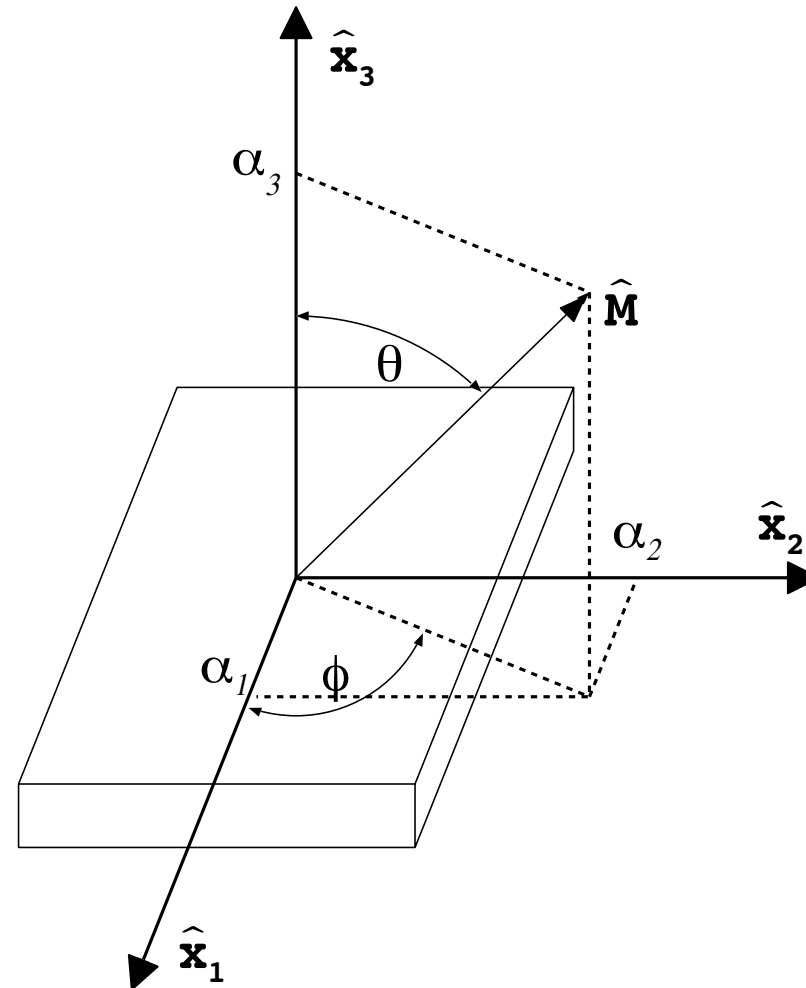


Work: easy axis $\rightarrow$ hard axis

$$W = \int \vec{H} d\vec{M}$$

Phenomenological description

Definition of coordinate system



$$\hat{\mathbf{M}} = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3) = (\sin \theta \cos \phi, \sin \theta \sin \phi, \cos \theta)$$

Phenomenological description of crystal anisotropy

Power series expansion in the components $\widehat{M} = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 G_{\text{cryst}}(T, H_M, \widehat{M}) &= b_0(T, H_M) + \sum_i b_i(T, H_M) \alpha_i \\
 &+ \sum_{i,j} b_{ij}(T, H_M) \alpha_i \alpha_j + \sum_{i,j,k} b_{ijk}(T, H_M) \alpha_i \alpha_j \alpha_k \\
 &+ \text{higher order terms}
 \end{aligned}$$

$\widehat{M}$ is an **axial** vector (right hand rule!)

$$\widehat{M} \xrightarrow{t \rightarrow -t} \widehat{M}' = -\widehat{M} \quad , \alpha_i \rightarrow -\alpha_i$$

$$\Rightarrow b_{2n+1} \text{ axial tensors} \Rightarrow b_{2n+1} := 0 \quad \forall n$$

recall:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{M} \propto \vec{L} &= \vec{r} \times \vec{p} \\
 &\propto \vec{r} \times \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt}
 \end{aligned}$$

Cubic systems: Fe, Ni, TMO, EuO, Spinel-Ferrites, Magnetite, Garnets

$$G_{\text{cryst}}^V = b_{ij}\alpha_i\alpha_j + b_{ijkl}\alpha_i\alpha_j\alpha_k\alpha_l + b_{ijklmn}\alpha_i\alpha_j\alpha_k\alpha_l\alpha_m\alpha_n$$

Cubic symmetry: $G(\alpha_i) = G(-\alpha_i)$

$G \sim \alpha_i, \alpha_i\alpha_j (i \neq j)$ vanish

1. Second order terms:

$$\sum_{ij} b_{ij}\alpha_i\alpha_j = b_{11}(\alpha_1^2 + \alpha_2^2 + \alpha_3^2) = b_{11}$$

isotropic (forget it!)

1. Fourth order terms:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{ij} b_{ijkl}\alpha_i\alpha_j\alpha_k\alpha_l &= b_{1111}(\alpha_1^4 + \alpha_2^4 + \alpha_3^4) \\ &+ 6b_{1122}(\alpha_1^2\alpha_2^2 + \alpha_2^2\alpha_3^2 + \alpha_3^2\alpha_1^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$1^2 = (\alpha_1^2 + \alpha_2^2 + \alpha_3^2)^2 = (\alpha_1^4 + \dots + \alpha_3^4) + 2(\alpha_1^2\alpha_2^2 \dots$$

Bulk anisotropy tetragonal systems

Tetragonal systems: TMPt, SrCrO₃, RECuO₃, layered sys: BaO/EuO

$$G_{\text{cryst}}^V(\widehat{M}) = K_1(\alpha_1^2 + \alpha_2^2) + K_2(\alpha_1^2 + \alpha_2^2)^2 + K_3 \dots$$

$$G_{\text{cryst}}^V(\widehat{M}) = K_1 \sin^2 \theta + K_2 \sin^4 \theta$$

(cylinder symmetry $\equiv$ uniaxial)

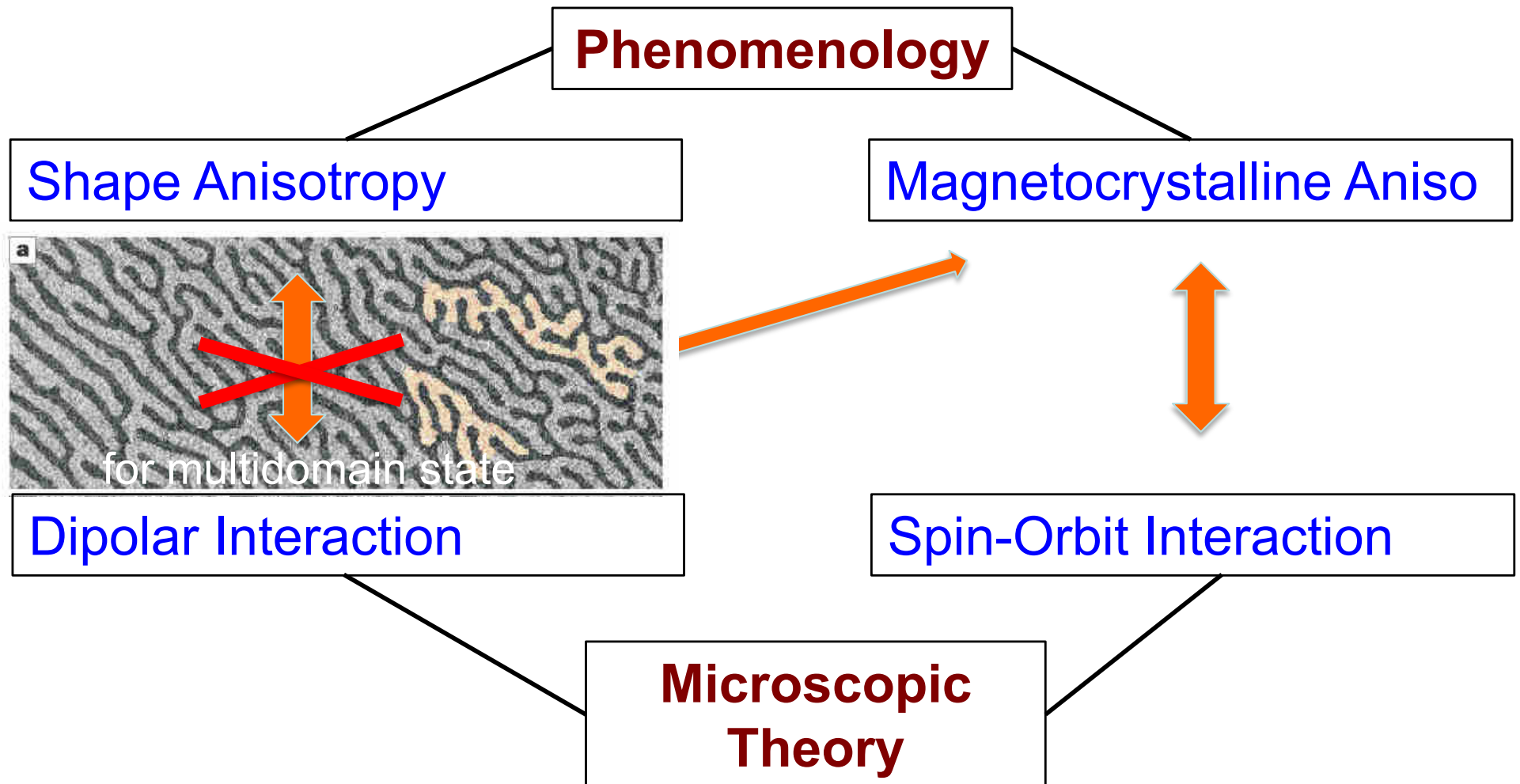
$$+ K_3 \sin^4 \theta \cos 4\phi$$

(expresses fourfold symmetry)

For all uniaxial systems (tetra, hex, orthorhombic)
polar coordinates

$$M(\widehat{M}) = M_0 + M_1 \sin^2 \theta + M_2 \sin^4 \theta + M_3 \sin^4 \theta \cos 4\phi$$

Description of magnetic anisotropy



Magnetocrystalline Anisotropy

Origin : Spin-Orbit interaction – relates spin to dyn'cal degrees of freedom in crystal field

Most important: coupling of spin + orbital motion of same elect.

Spin-Orbit Interaction:
$$H_{\text{SO}} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m^2c^2} \sum_i \frac{1}{r} \frac{dV_i}{dr} \vec{L}_i \cdot \vec{S}_i$$

Wavefunction:
$$\psi(\vec{r}) \propto R_{n,\ell,\sigma}(r) Y_{\ell m}(\hat{r}) \chi_{\sigma}$$

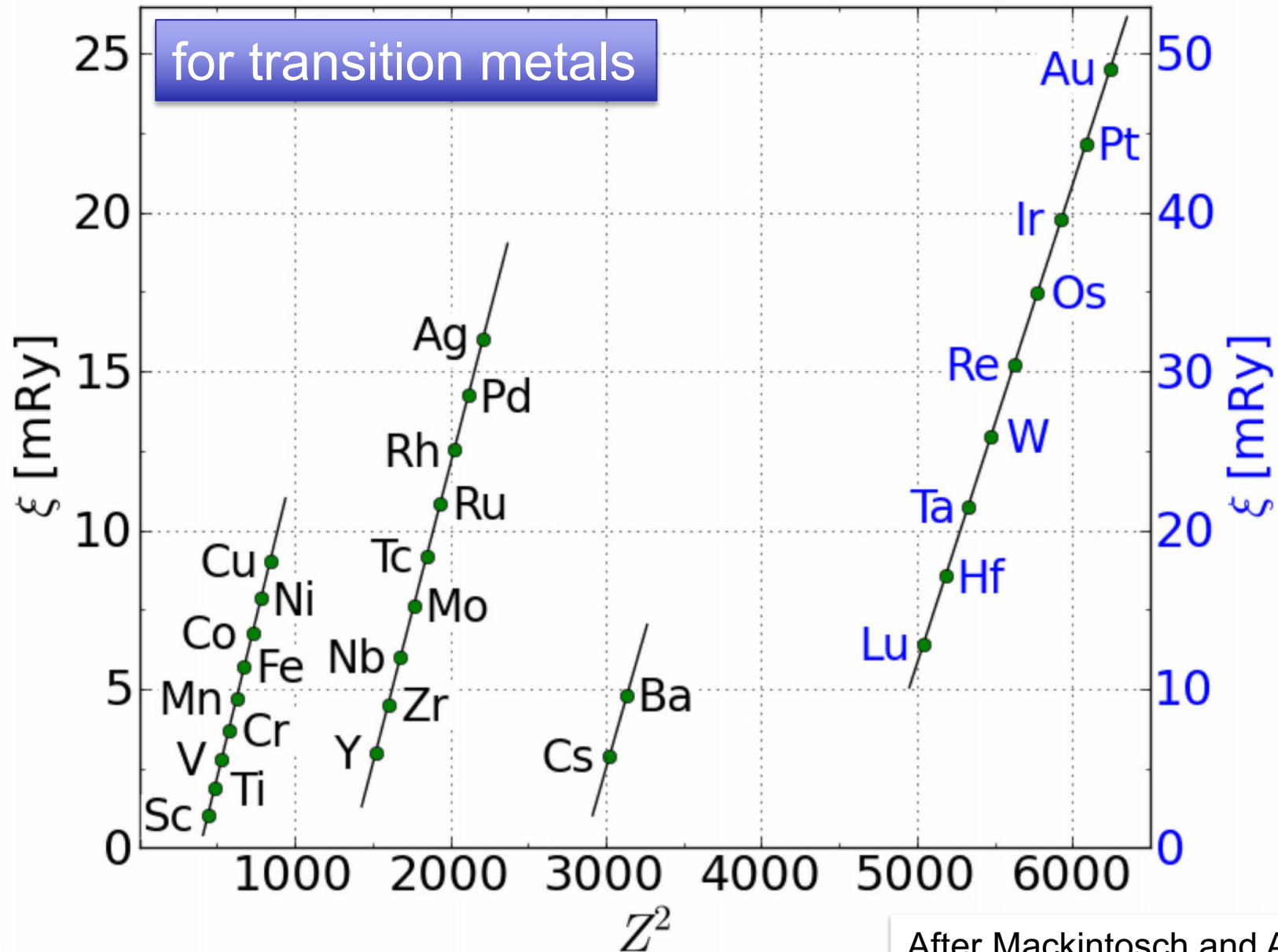
MAE due to MCA:
$$E_{\text{MCA}} \propto \langle \psi | H_{\text{SO}} | \psi \rangle \propto \xi \langle Y | \vec{L} | Y \rangle \langle \chi | \vec{S} | \chi \rangle$$

(1st order perturbation)

Spin-Orbit strength:
$$\xi_{n,\ell} \approx Z \cdot \left(\frac{Z}{a_{\text{B}}} \right)^3 \cdot \frac{1}{n^3 \ell^2} \approx Z^2$$

(for $V(r) \approx Ze^2/r$)

Spin-Orbit Strength $\xi(Z)$



Orbital moment quenching $\langle L \rangle = 0$

$$L_z = \frac{\hbar}{i} \left(x \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - y \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right)$$

For any real wavefunction $|\Psi\rangle \longrightarrow \langle \Psi | L_z | \Psi \rangle$ purely imaginary
 but:

L_z is Hermitian $\longrightarrow \langle \Psi | L_z | \Psi \rangle$ purely real

↓
 $\langle \Psi | L_z | \Psi \rangle$ must vanish!

$$\langle \Psi | L_x | \Psi \rangle = \langle \Psi | L_y | \Psi \rangle = \langle \Psi | L_z | \Psi \rangle = 0$$

For a real Hamiltonian, the non-degenerate states are described with real wavefunctions $|\Psi\rangle$

MAE due to MCA: $E_{\text{MCA}} \propto \xi \langle \vec{L} \rangle \langle \vec{S} \rangle = 0!$

(1st order perturbation)

No MCA in 1st order
 SOI for orbitally non-degenerate states

Degenerate orbital states: $\langle L \rangle \neq 0$

Unquenched orbital moment **can** be expected in the degenerate states: d^1 , d^2 , *low spin* d^4 , d^5 and *high spin* d^6 , d^7 .

Example doubly degenerate t_{2g} states: $|xz\rangle$, $|yz\rangle$

Form new complex eigenstates: $|\pm\rangle = 1/\sqrt{2}(|xz\rangle \pm i|yz\rangle)$

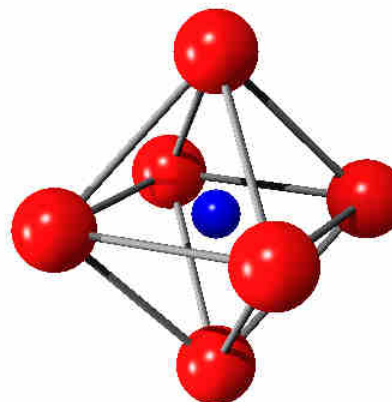
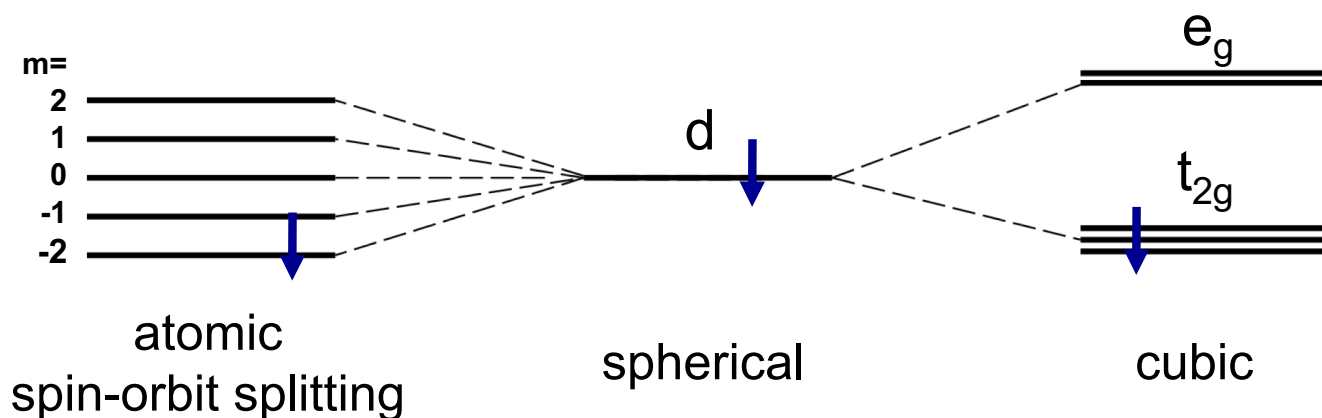
Angular momentum operator: $L_z|\pm\rangle = \frac{\hbar}{i} \left(x \frac{\partial}{\partial y} - y \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \right) |\pm\rangle$
 $= \pm \hbar |\pm\rangle$

Orbital moment: $\langle \pm | L_z | \pm \rangle = 1/2 \hbar (\langle xz | xz \rangle + \langle yz | yz \rangle) \neq 0$

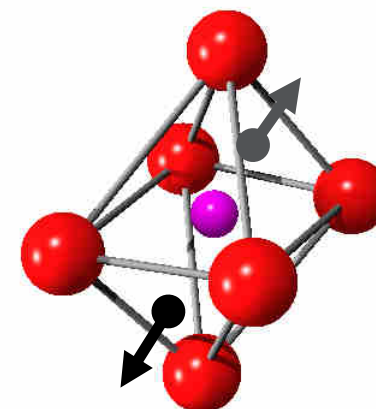
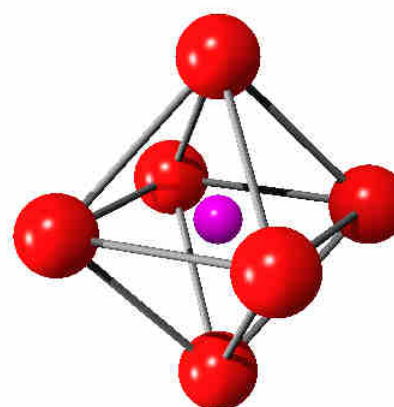
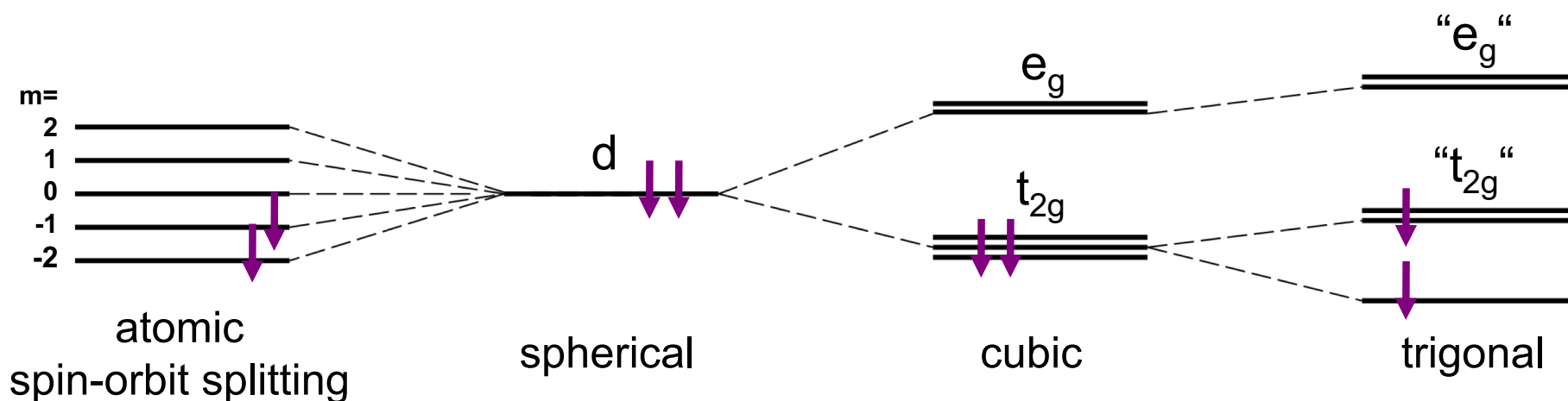
MCA in 1st order SOI possible for orbitally degenerate states

E_{MCA} large because $\langle L \rangle$ is determined at 1st order perturbation

Example: Spinel-Ferrite (Magnetite)



Example: Co mixed-spinel ferrite



Unquenching the orbital moment by spin-orbit interaction

The spin-orbit interaction is in the wave function!

1st order perturbation theory:

$$|o\rangle^{(1)} = |o\rangle + \sum_u \frac{\langle u | \xi \vec{L} \cdot \vec{S} | o \rangle}{(\epsilon_u - \epsilon_o)} |u\rangle$$

Orbital moment:

$${}^{(1)}\langle o | \vec{L} | o \rangle^{(1)} \propto - \sum_{u(u \neq o)} \frac{\langle o | \vec{L} | u \rangle \langle u | \xi \vec{L} \cdot \vec{S} | o \rangle}{(\epsilon_u - \epsilon_o)} |o\rangle$$

MAE due to MCA: $E_{\text{MCA}} \propto \langle H_{\text{SO}} \rangle \propto \xi \langle o | \vec{L} | o \rangle^{(1)} \langle \vec{S} \rangle$

(2nd order perturbation)

$$\propto - \sum_{u(u \neq o)} \frac{|\langle u | \xi \vec{L} \cdot \vec{S} | o \rangle|^2}{(\epsilon_u - \epsilon_o)}$$

$|o\rangle :=$ occupied, ground states

$|u\rangle :=$ unoccupied, excited states

For d-states $|o\rangle, |u\rangle \in (|xy; \uparrow\rangle, |xz; \uparrow\rangle, |yz; \uparrow\rangle, |x^2 - y^2; \uparrow\rangle, |3z^2 - r^2; \uparrow\rangle, |xy; \downarrow\rangle, |xz; \downarrow\rangle, |yz; \downarrow\rangle, |x^2 - y^2; \downarrow\rangle, |3z^2 - r^2; \downarrow\rangle)$

Unquenching the orbital moment by spin-orbit interaction

The spin-orbit interaction is in the wave function!

1st order perturbation theory:

$$|o\rangle^{(1)} = |o\rangle - \sum_{u(u \neq o)} \frac{\langle u | \xi \vec{L} \cdot \vec{S} | o \rangle}{(\epsilon_u - \epsilon_o)} |u\rangle$$

Symmetry-dependence
E.g. uniaxial symmetry

$$E(\theta) = K_0 + \underbrace{K_1}_{\text{2nd}} \sin^2 \theta + \underbrace{K_2}_{\text{4th}} \sin^4 \theta$$

$$G_{\text{cryst}}^V(\hat{M}) = K_1(\alpha_1^2 + \alpha_2^2) + K_2(\alpha_1^2 + \alpha_2^2)^2$$

$$\alpha_1^4 \propto \hat{M} \cdot \hat{M} \cdot \hat{M} \cdot \hat{M}$$

$$\propto \langle \vec{S} \rangle^4$$

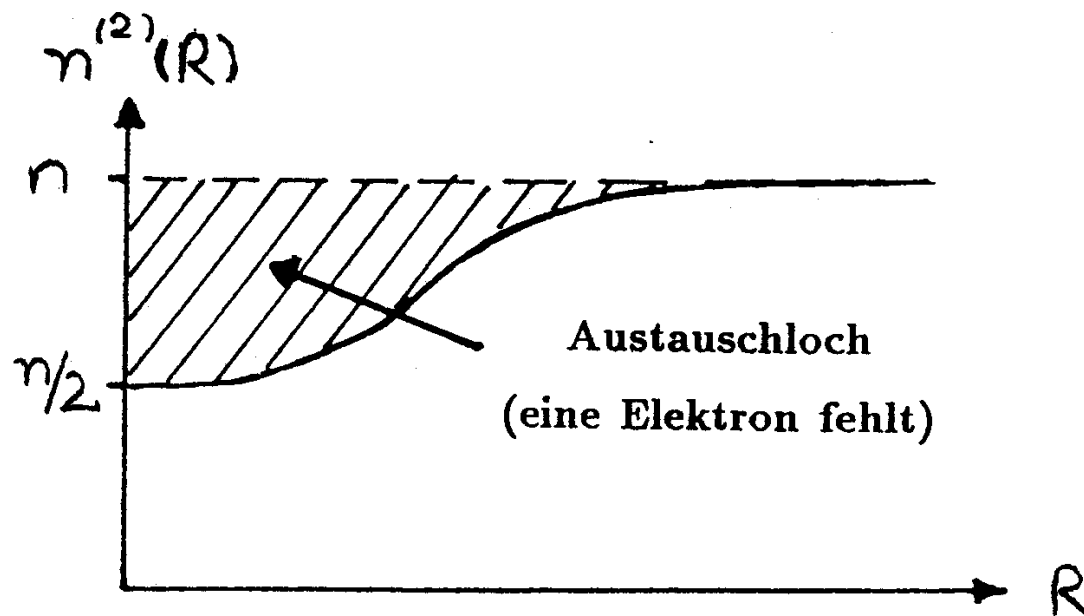
MAE due to MCA:
(2ⁿth order perturbation)

$$K_n \propto \langle H_{\text{SO}} \rangle \propto - \sum_{u(u \neq o)} \frac{|\langle u | \xi \vec{L} \cdot \vec{S} | o \rangle|^{2n}}{|\epsilon_u - \epsilon_o|^{(2n-1)}}$$

4. Homogeneous electron gas (Hartree-Fock applied to plane wave functions) Simple model for metal , but too simple



Discussed in lecture MM-1



4. Stoner Model

Stoner Model for Ferromagnetism

- **X α approximation:** only exchange (Hartree-Fock)

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_X^\pm(\mathbf{r}) &= -\alpha e^2 \left(\frac{6}{\pi} \right)^{1/3} (n^\pm(\mathbf{r}))^{1/3} \\
 &= -\alpha e^2 \left(\frac{6}{\pi} \right)^{1/3} (n(\mathbf{r}) \pm m(\mathbf{r}))^{1/3} \\
 &\approx V_X^0(\mathbf{r}) \mp m(\mathbf{r}) \tilde{V}_X(\mathbf{r}) \quad (\text{linearization})
 \end{aligned}$$

- **LSDA:** $V_{xc}^\pm(\mathbf{r}) \approx V_{xc}^0(\mathbf{r}) \mp m(\mathbf{r}) \tilde{V}_{xc}(\mathbf{r})$

- **Model:** $V_{xc}^\pm(\mathbf{r}) = V_{xc}^0(\mathbf{r}) \mp \frac{1}{2} IM$
- $$M = \int_{V_{Atom}} m(\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r}$$
- $$I = 2 \int_{V_{Atom}} \tilde{V}_{xc}(\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r}$$

Stoner Model for Ferromagnetism

➤ **LSDA:** $V_{\text{xc}}^{\pm}(\mathbf{r}) \approx V_{\text{xc}}^0(\mathbf{r}) \mp m(\mathbf{r}) \tilde{V}_{\text{xc}}(\mathbf{r})$

➤ **Model:** $V_{\text{xc}}^{\pm}(\mathbf{r}) = V_{\text{xc}}^0(\mathbf{r}) \mp \frac{1}{2} IM$ $M = \int_{V_{\text{Atom}}} m(\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r}$

$$I = 2 \int_{V_{\text{Atom}}} \tilde{V}_{\text{xc}}(\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r}$$

➤ **Spin-dependent Hartree equations**

$$\left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla_{\mathbf{r}}^2 \mp V_{\text{eff}}([n_+, n_-]|\mathbf{r}) \right] \varphi_{i\pm}(\mathbf{r}) = \epsilon_{i\pm} \varphi_{i\pm}(\mathbf{r})$$

⇒ **For Stoner model**

$$\left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla_{\mathbf{r}}^2 + V_{\text{eff}}^0(\mathbf{r}) \mp \frac{1}{2} IM \right] \varphi_{i\pm}(\mathbf{r}) = \epsilon_{i\pm} \varphi_{i\pm}(\mathbf{r})$$

Stoner Model for Ferromagnetism

➤ Model: $V_{\text{xc}}^{\pm}(\mathbf{r}) = V_{\text{xc}}^o(\mathbf{r}) \mp \frac{1}{2}IM$ $M = \int_{V_{\text{Atom}}} m(\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r}$

➤ For Stoner model

$$\left[-\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla_{\mathbf{r}}^2 + V_{\text{eff}}^o(\mathbf{r}) \mp \frac{1}{2}IM \right] \varphi_{i\pm}(\mathbf{r}) = \epsilon_{i\pm} \varphi_{i\pm}(\mathbf{r})$$

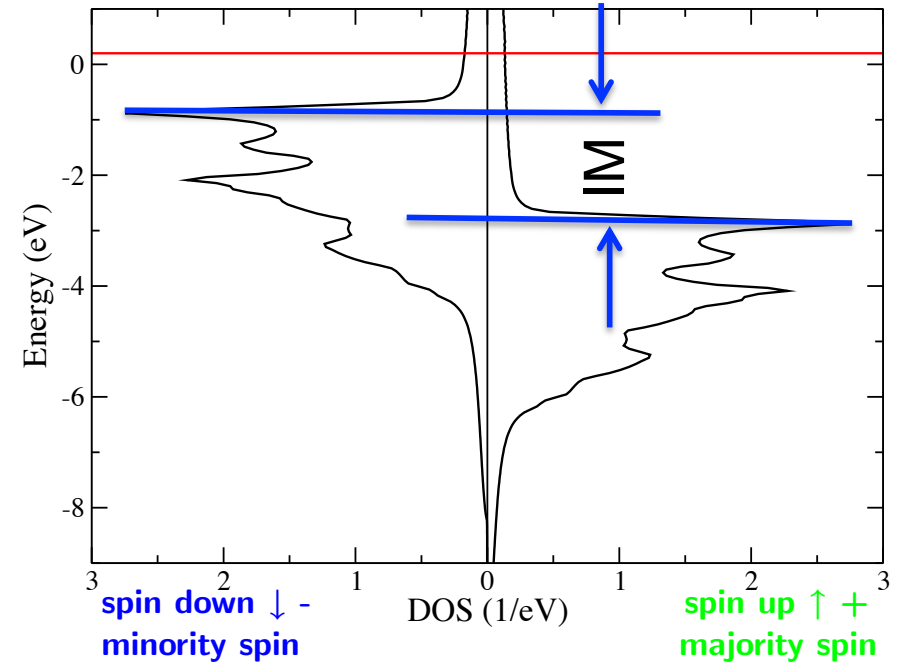
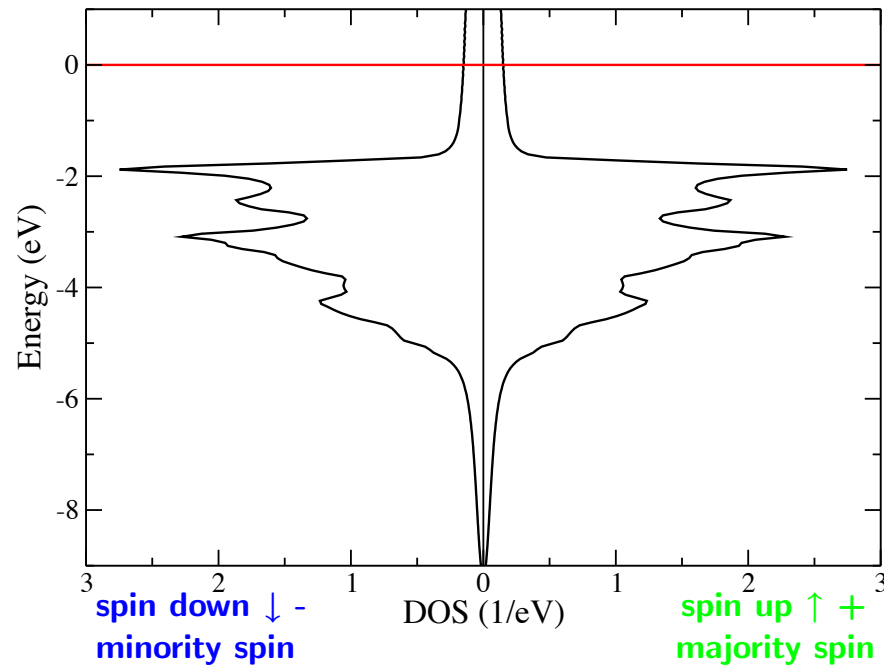
➤ M constant

$\Rightarrow \varphi_{i\pm}(\mathbf{r}) = \varphi_{\mathbf{k}\nu\pm}(\mathbf{r}) = \varphi_{\mathbf{k}\nu}^0(\mathbf{r})$

$$\epsilon_{i\pm} = \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}\nu\pm} = \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}\nu}^0 \pm \frac{1}{2}IM$$

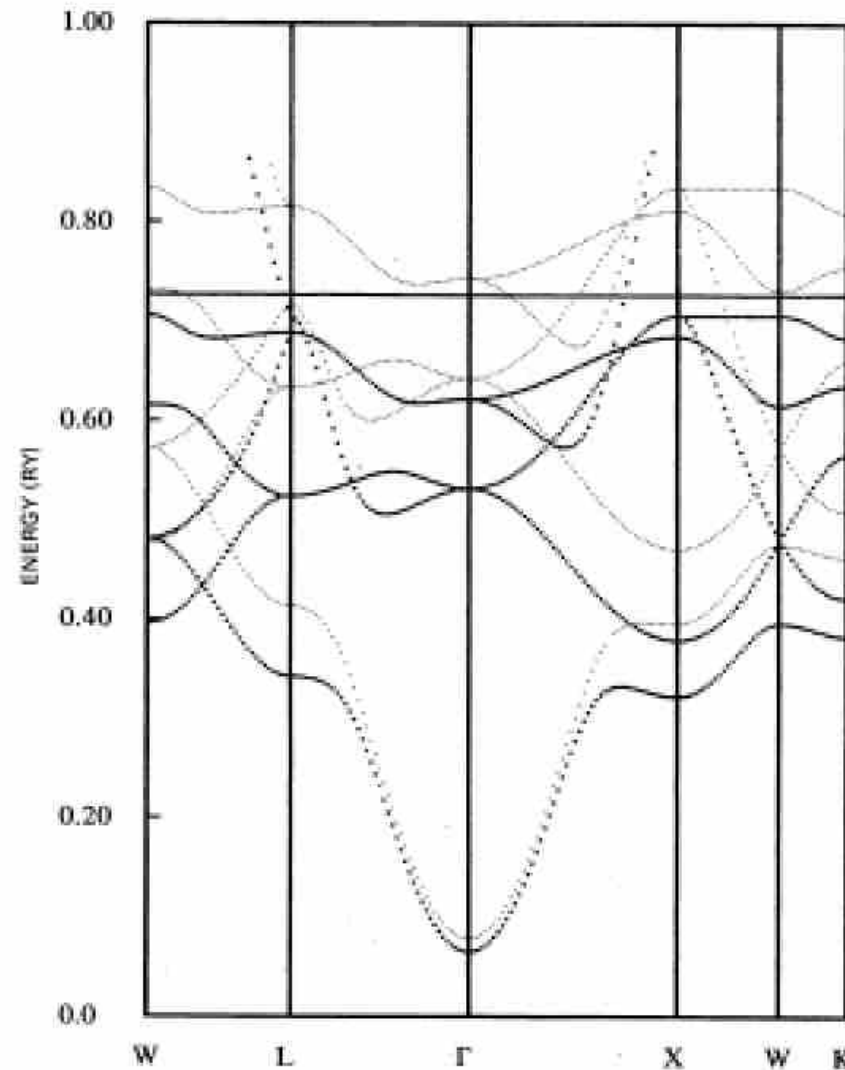
$$n_{\pm}(E) = \sum_{\nu} \int_{\text{BZ}} \delta(E - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}\nu\pm}) d\mathbf{k} = n^0 \left(E \pm \frac{1}{2}IM \right)$$

Exchange split density of states



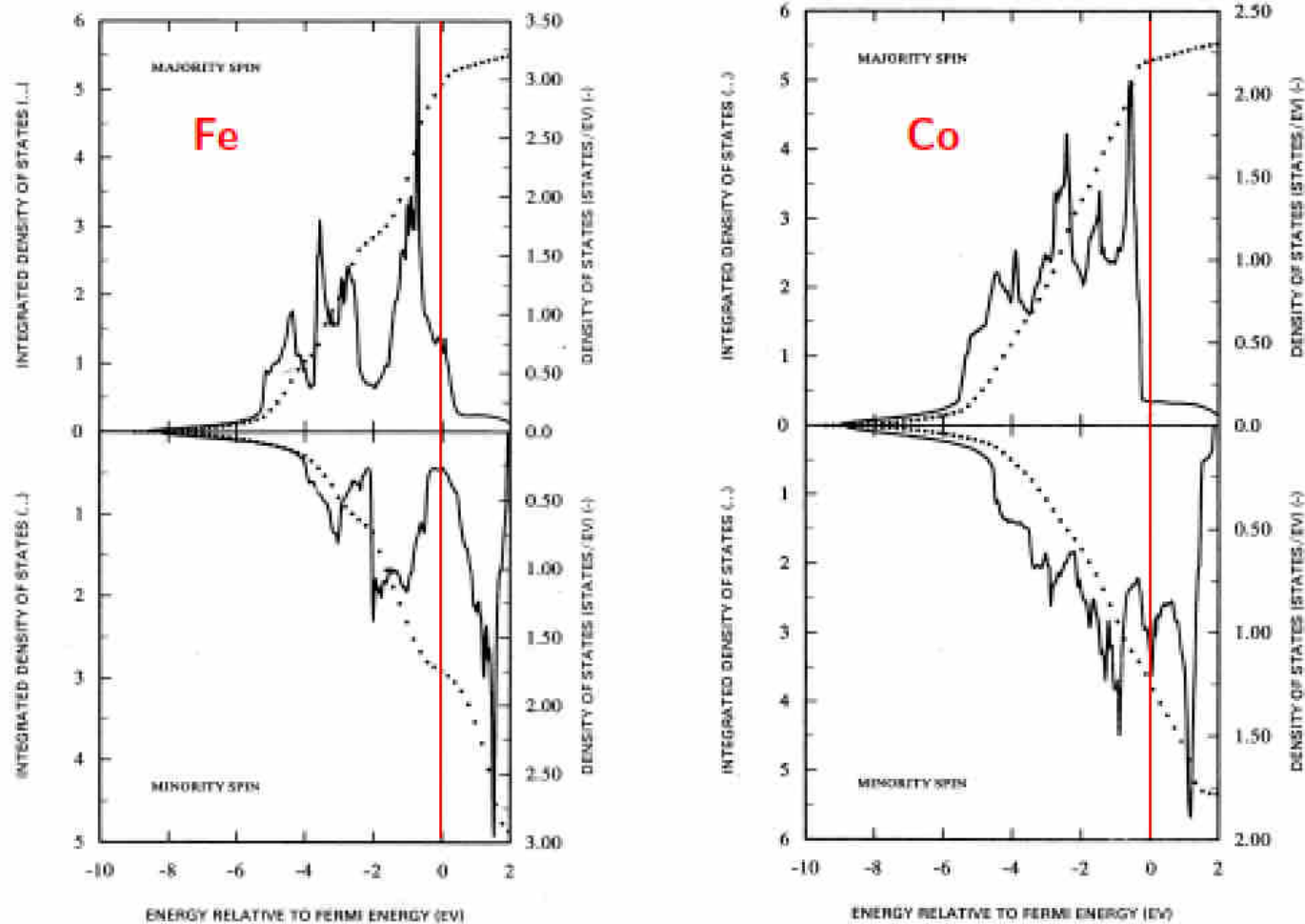
Band structure of ferromagnetic fcc-Co

bandstructure
for fcc Co



Moruzzi, Janak, Williams (1978)

Density of States of Fe and Co



Moruzzi, Janak, Williams (1978)

Derivation of Stoner criterion

➤ Self-consistency condition

$$N = \int^{E_F} \left[n^0(E + \frac{1}{2}IM) + n^0(E - \frac{1}{2}IM) \right] dE$$

$$M = \int^{E_F} \left[n^0(E + \frac{1}{2}IM) - n^0(E - \frac{1}{2}IM) \right] dE$$

➤ Two equations: $\Rightarrow E_F = E_F(M)$ and $M = F(M)$

1. $E_F(M)$ is even function in M : $E_F = E_F(M) \approx E_F(0) + \frac{1}{2}E_F''(0)M^2$

One calculates $\frac{dE_F}{dM}$ from $dN = 0$

$$dN = 0 = \frac{\partial N}{\partial E_F} dE_F + \frac{\partial N}{\partial M} dM = (n_+^0 + n_-^0) dE_F + \frac{I}{2} (n_+^0 - n_-^0) dM$$

$$\Rightarrow F'(M) = \frac{I}{2} (n_+^0 + n_-^0) \left\{ 1 - \left(\frac{n_+^0 - n_-^0}{n_+^0 + n_-^0} \right)^2 \right\} \geq 0$$

where $n_{\pm}^0 = n^0 \left(E_F \pm \frac{IM}{2} \right) \geq 0$

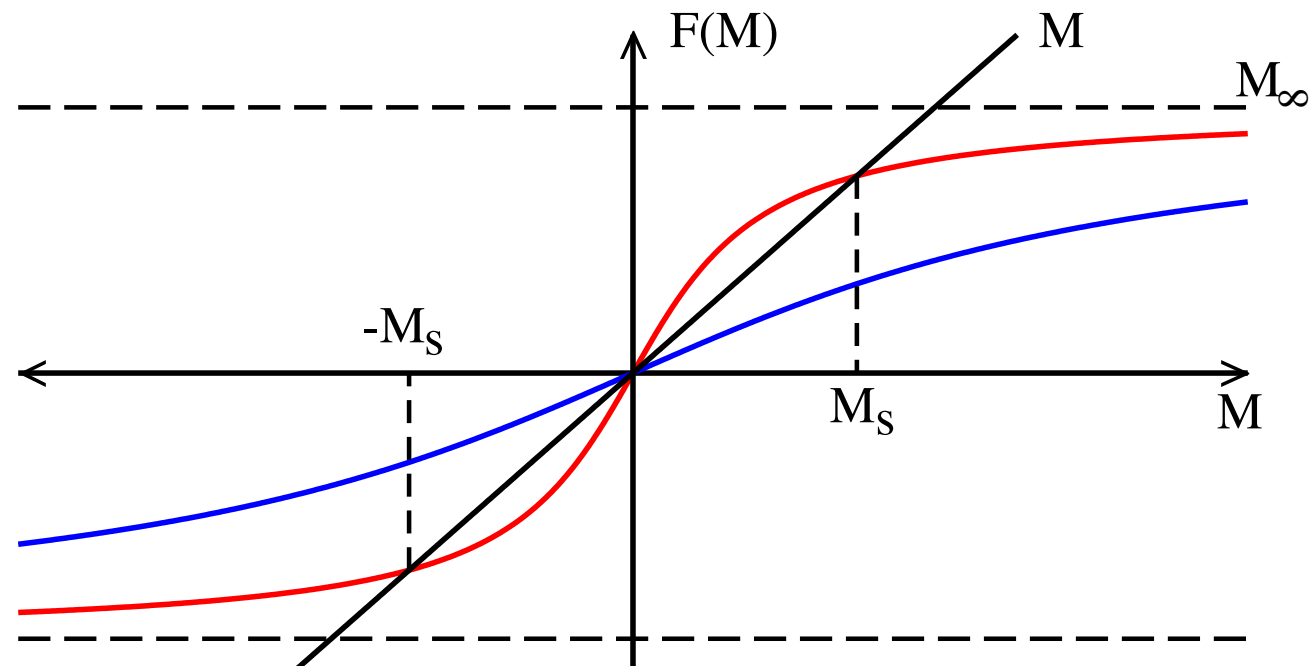
Side remark

Derivation of Stoner criterion

➤ Self-consistency condition

$$N = \int^{E_F} \left[n^0(E + \frac{1}{2}IM) + n^0(E - \frac{1}{2}IM) \right] dE$$

$$M = \int^{E_F} \left[n^0(E + \frac{1}{2}IM) - n^0(E - \frac{1}{2}IM) \right] dE$$



Derivation of Stoner criterion

1. One solution $M=0$ if $F'(M) < 1$
2. Three solutions $M=0$ and $M=\pm M_s$ if $F'(M) > 1$

➤ The derivative $F'(M)$ is

$$F'(M) = \frac{I}{2} \left[n^0(E_F + \frac{1}{2}IM) + n^0(E_F - \frac{1}{2}IM) \right] + \left[n^0(E_F + \frac{1}{2}IM) - n^0(E_F - \frac{1}{2}IM) \right] \frac{dE_F}{dM}$$

= 0 for $M=0$

which for $M=0$ leads to $F'(0) = In^0(E_F)$ and the sufficient condition for magnetic solutions is $F'(0) > 1$, which implies the Stoner criterion

⇒ Stoner criterion:

$$In^0(E_F) = 1$$

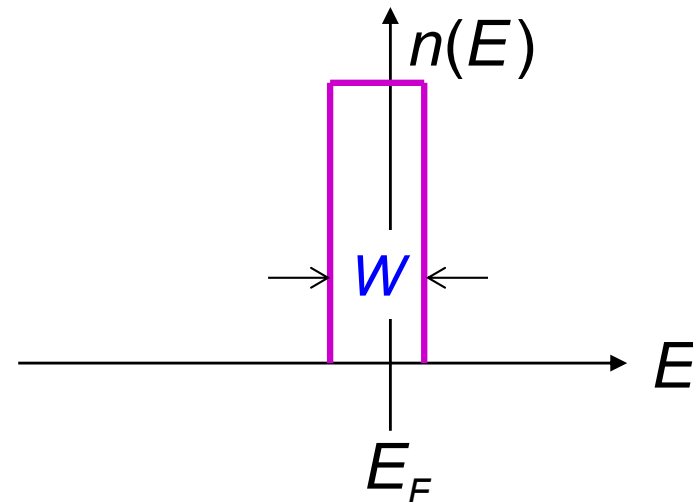
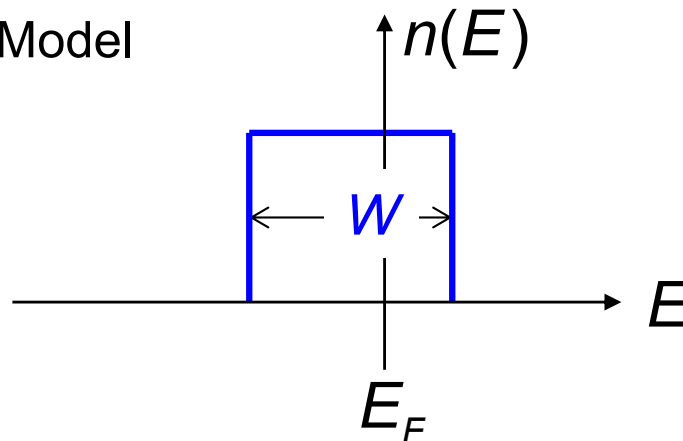
2. Evaluation of Stoner Model for bulk materials

Stoner Model for Ferromagnetism

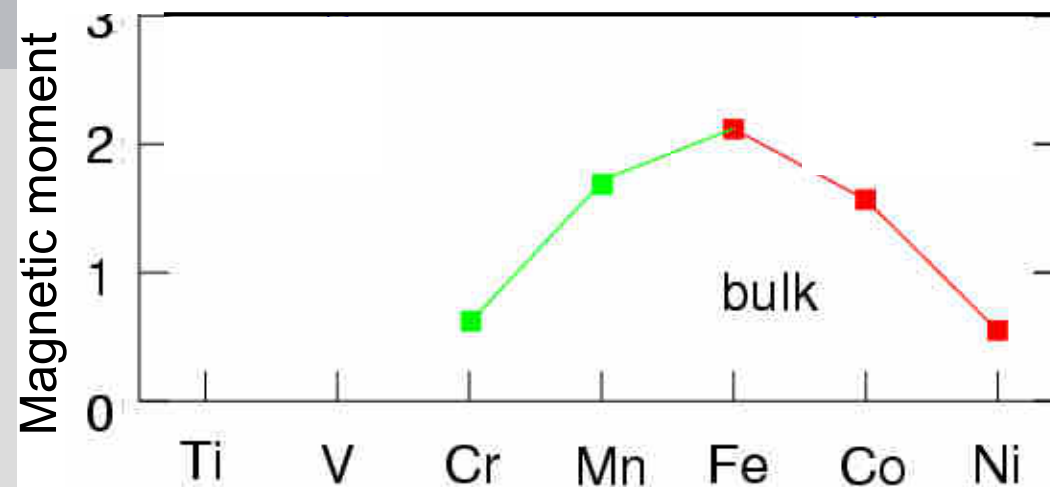
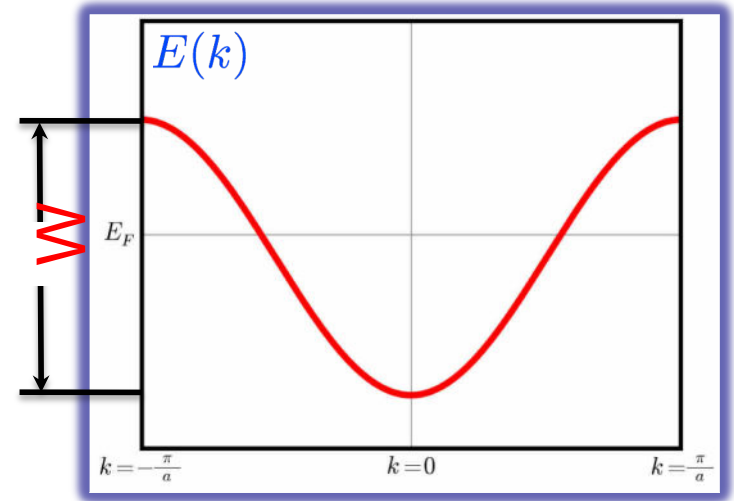
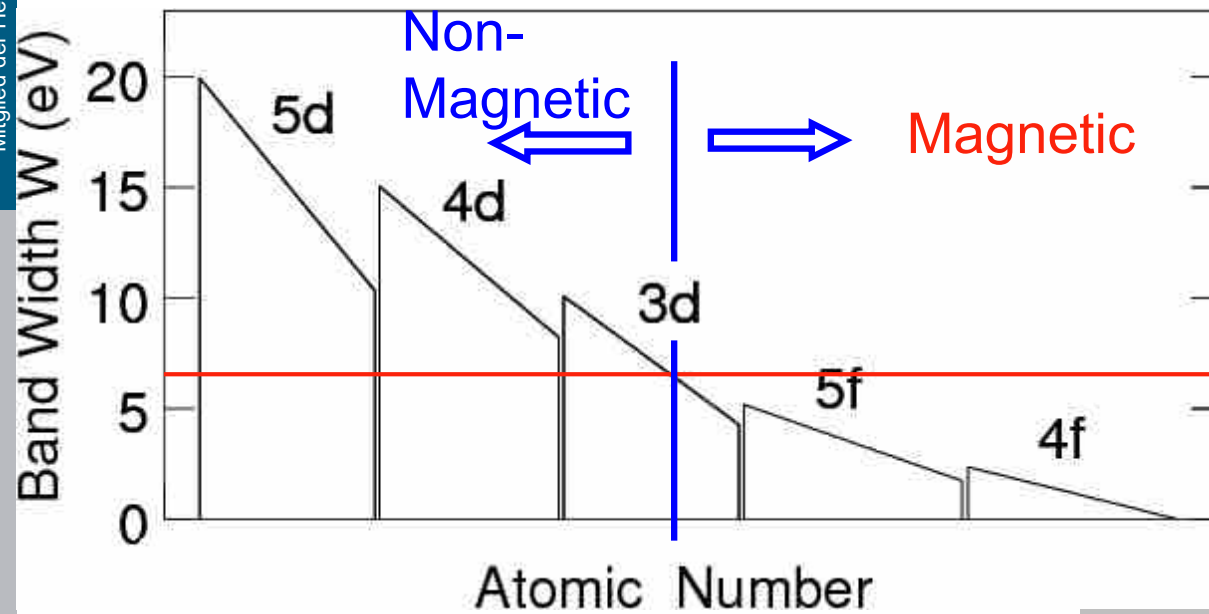
- Stoner criterion: $I \cdot n(E_F) > 1$
(for d-electrons)

- Density of states: $n(E_F) \sim \frac{1}{W}$ $[n \cdot W = 5]$

Model



Bandwidths of metals



Periodic Table of the Elements

1A																	0							
1	H																	2						
	IIA																		III A	IV A	V A	VI A	VII A	
3	Li	Be																	B	C	N	O	F	Ne
4																								
5	Na	Mg	IIIB		IVB		VB		VIB		VIIB		VIII		IB		IIB		13	14	15	16	17	18
6	K	Ca	Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br	Kr	Al	Si	P	S	Cl	Ar
7	Rb	Sr	Y	Zr	Nb	Mo	Tc	Ru	Rh	Pd	Ag	Cd	In	Sn	Sb	Te	I	Xe						
8	Cs	Ba	* La	Hf	Ta	W	Re	Os	Ir	Pt	Au	Hg	Tl	Pb	Bi	Po	At	Rn						
9	Fr	Ra	+ Ac	Rf	Ha	106	107	108	109	110														

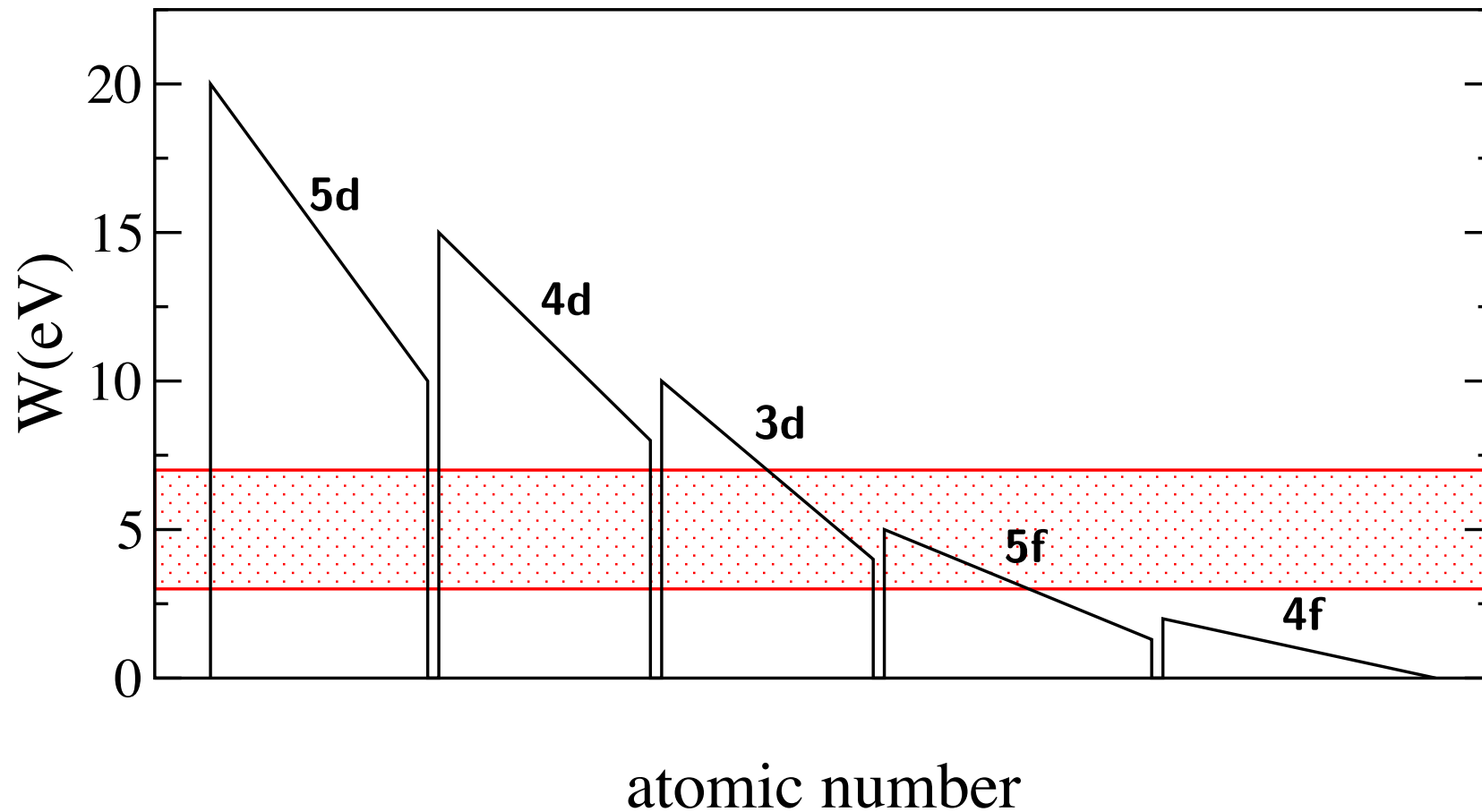
* Lanthanide Series

58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71
Ce	Pr	Nd	Pm	Sm	Eu	Gd	Tb	Dy	Ho	Er	Tm	Yb	Lu

+ Actinide Series

90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100	101	102	103
Th	Pa	U	Np	Pu	Am	Cm	Bk	Cf	Es	Fm	Md	No	Lr

Band width W as measure for localization



Stoner Parameter

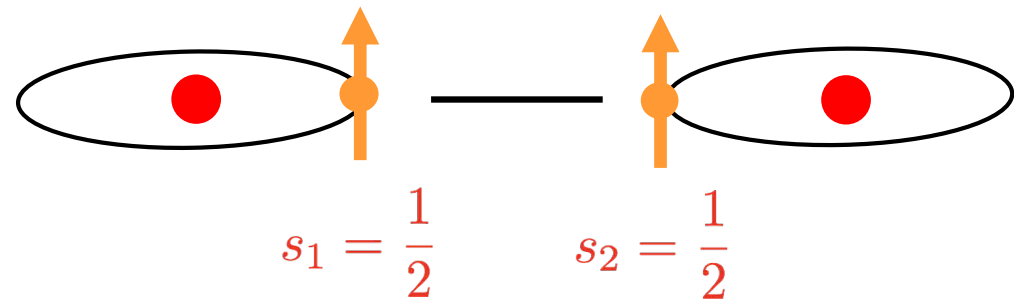
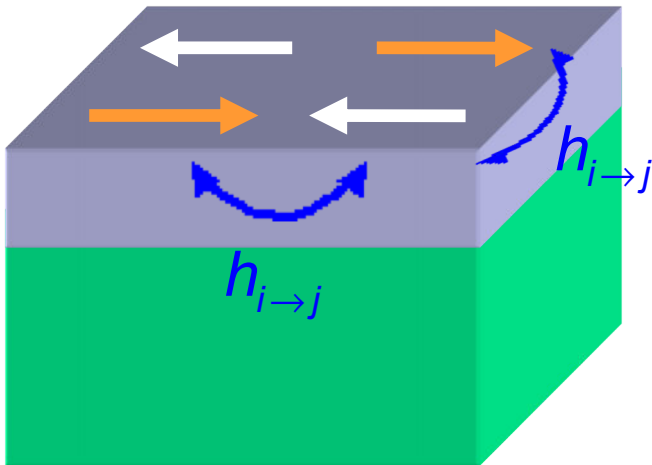
metal	$n^o(E_F)[eV^{-1}]$	$I[eV]$	$ln^o(E_F)$	$S = \chi/\chi_0$
Na	0.23	1.82	0.41	1.71
Al	0.21	1.22	0.25	1.34
Cr	0.35	0.76	0.27	1.36
Mn	0.77	0.82	0.63	2.70
Fe	1.54	0.93	1.43	-2.34
Co	1.72	0.99	1.70	-1.43
Ni	2.02	1.01	2.04	-0.97
Cu	0.14	0.73	0.11	1.12
Pd	1.14	0.68	0.78	4.44
Pt	0.79	0.63	0.50	2.00

Gunnarson (1976), Janak (1977)

4. Heisenberg Model

The Heisenberg Model

(Derivation of an effective spin model) **H₂-molecule**



$$|s_1 - s_2| \leq S \leq s_1 + s_2$$

Singlet state: $\vec{S}^2 \chi_0 = 0$

$$\Psi(\vec{r}_1, s_1; \vec{r}_2, s_2) = \Phi_S(\vec{r}_1; \vec{r}_2) \chi_0$$

Triplet state: $\vec{S}^2 \chi_1 = 2\chi_1$

$$\Psi(\vec{r}_1, s_1; \vec{r}_2, s_2) = \Phi_T(\vec{r}_1; \vec{r}_2) \chi_1$$

The Heisenberg Model

Singlet: $S=0$

$$\chi_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|+, -\rangle - |-, +\rangle)$$

Triplet: $S=1$

$$\begin{cases} \chi_{1,1} = |+, +\rangle \\ \chi_{1,0} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|+, -\rangle + |-, +\rangle) \\ \chi_{1,-1} = |-, -\rangle \end{cases}$$

- singlet is anti-symmetric in the spin variables
- triplet is symmetric.
- Pauli principle allows only totally antisymmetric wavefunctions,
- ➔ (Orbital-) real space wavefunction

singlet: $\phi_S(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2)$, symmetric,

triplet: $\phi_T(\mathbf{r}_1, \mathbf{r}_2)$, anti-symmetric

Singlet state: $\vec{S}^2 \chi_0 = 0$

$$\Psi(\vec{r}_1, s_1; \vec{r}_2, s_2) = \Phi_S(\vec{r}_1; \vec{r}_2) \chi_0$$

- Energies E_S for ϕ_S and E_T for ϕ_T are different

➔ Exchange energy:

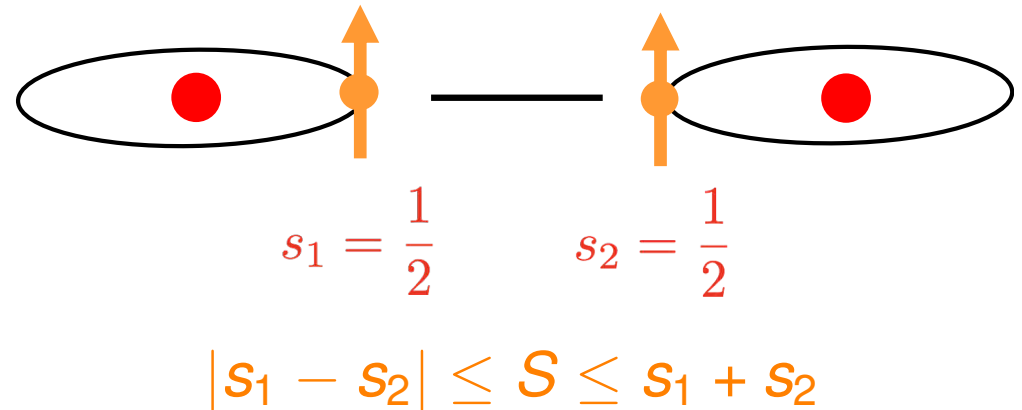
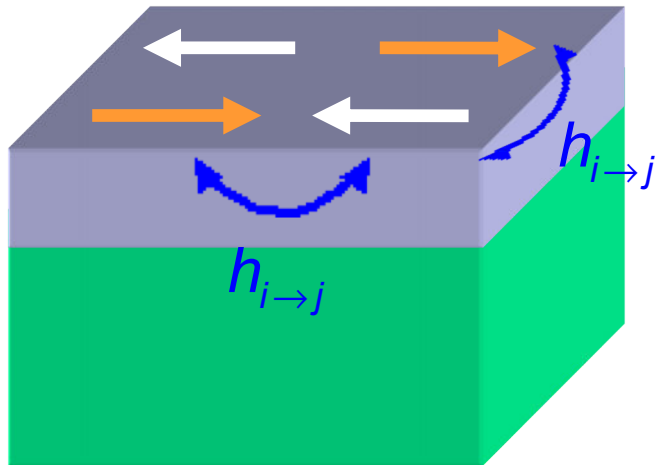
$$J = E_{\text{triplet}} - E_{\text{singlet}}$$

Triplet state: $\vec{S}^2 \chi_1 = 2\chi_1$

$$\Psi(\vec{r}_1, s_1; \vec{r}_2, s_2) = \Phi_T(\vec{r}_1; \vec{r}_2) \chi_1$$

The Heisenberg Model

(Derivation of an effective spin model) **H₂-molecule**



Energy of eigenstate: E_S or E_T

$$\mathcal{H}_S = \begin{cases} E_S & \text{if } \vec{S}^2 \chi_0 = 0 \\ E_T & \text{if } \vec{S}^2 \chi_1 = 2\chi_1 \end{cases}$$

Singlet state: $\vec{S}^2 \chi_0 = 0$

$$\Psi(\vec{r}_1, s_1; \vec{r}_2, s_2) = \Phi_S(\vec{r}_1; \vec{r}_2) \chi_0$$

Triplet state: $\vec{S}^2 \chi_1 = 2\chi_1$

$$\Psi(\vec{r}_1, s_1; \vec{r}_2, s_2) = \Phi_T(\vec{r}_1; \vec{r}_2) \chi_1$$

The Heisenberg Model

Energy of eigenstate: E_S or E_T

$$\mathcal{H}_S = \begin{cases} E_S & \text{if } \vec{S}^2 \chi_0 = 0 \\ E_T & \text{if } \vec{S}^2 \chi_1 = 2\chi_1 \end{cases}$$

$$J := E_S - E_T$$

$$\vec{s}_1 \vec{s}_2 = 1/2 \left(\vec{S}^2 - \vec{s}_1^2 - \vec{s}_2^2 \right) \\ \quad \quad \quad \wedge \\ \quad \quad \quad (\vec{s}_1 + \vec{s}_2)^2$$

$$\mathcal{H}_s = -J_{12} \vec{s}_1 \cdot \vec{s}_2 + 3/4 E_T + 1/4 E_S$$

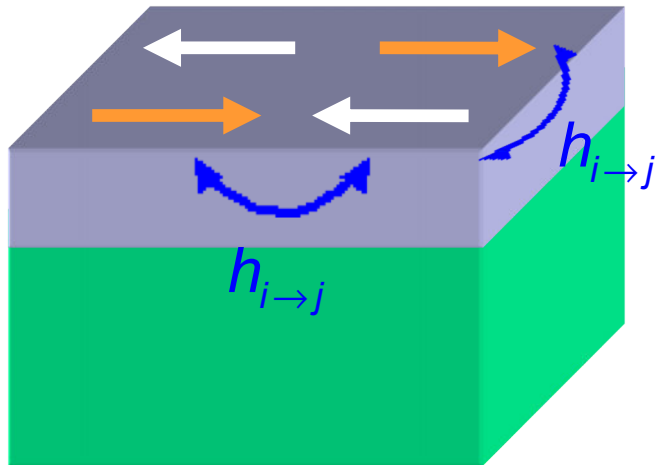
$$\vec{s}_1 \cdot \vec{s}_2 \chi_0 = \frac{1}{2} \left(0 - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} + 1 \right) - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} + 1 \right) \right) \chi_0 = -\frac{3}{4} \chi_0$$

$$\mathcal{H}_S \chi_0 = -(E_S - E_T)(-3/4) \chi_0 + (3/4 E_T + 1/4 E_S) \chi_0 = E_S \chi_0$$

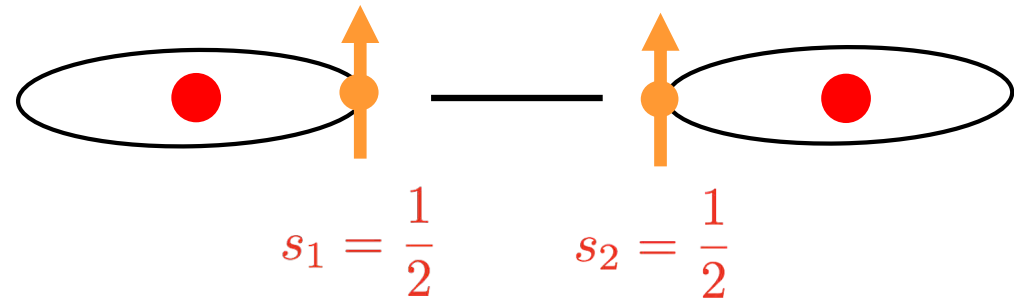
$$\mathcal{H}_S \chi_1 = -(E_S - E_T)(+1/4) \chi_1 + (3/4 E_T + 1/4 E_S) \chi_1 = E_T \chi_1$$

The Heisenberg Model

(Derivation of an effective spin model)



H₂-molecule



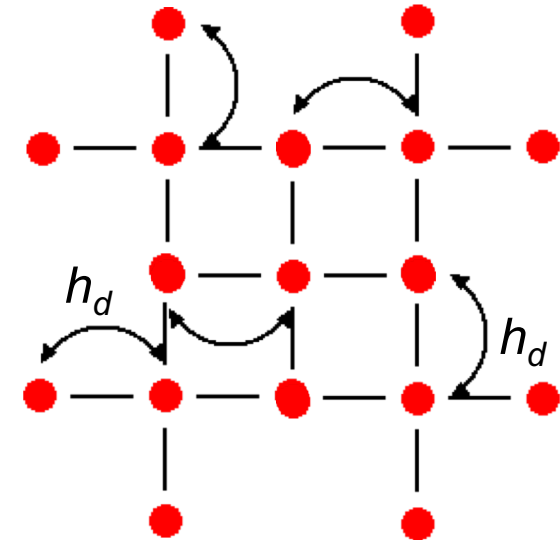
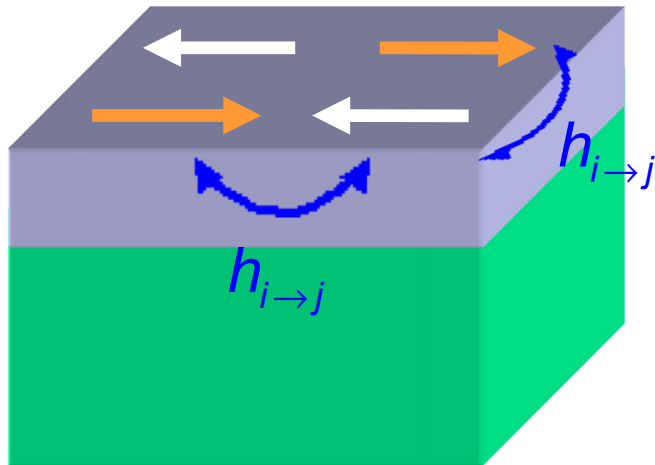
Energy of eigenstate: E_S or E_T

$$\mathcal{H}_S = \begin{cases} E_S & \text{if } \vec{S}^2 \chi_0 = 0 \\ E_T & \text{if } \vec{S}^2 \chi_1 = 2\chi_1 \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{H}_s = -J_{12} \vec{s}_1 \cdot \vec{s}_2 + 3/4 E_T + 1/4 E_s$$

The Heisenberg Model

(Derivation of an effective spin model)



generalization

Heisenberg Model:

Energy of eigenstate: E_S or E_T

$$\mathcal{H}_S = \begin{cases} E_S & \text{if } \vec{S}^2 \chi_0 = 0 \\ E_T & \text{if } \vec{S}^2 \chi_1 = 2\chi_1 \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{H}_s = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} J_{ij} \vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{S}_j$$

$$\mathcal{H}_s = -J_{12} \vec{S}_1 \cdot \vec{S}_2 + 3/4 E_T + 1/4 E_s$$

Heisenberg Model

Heisenberg model

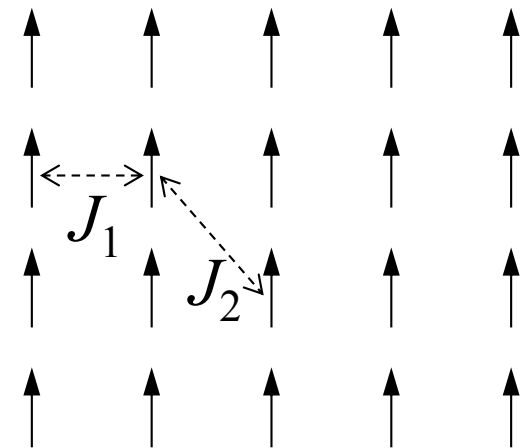
$$\mathcal{H}_S = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} J_{ij} \vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{S}_j$$

$J > 0$: Ferromagnetism

$J < 0$: Antiferromagnetism

Applications:

- o Search of magnetic ground states
- o Thermodynamical properties
- o Magnetic excitations
- o Magnetization dynamics



$$J_{ij} = J(|\mathbf{R}_i - \mathbf{R}_j|)$$

Heisenberg Model

Quantum Heisenberg model

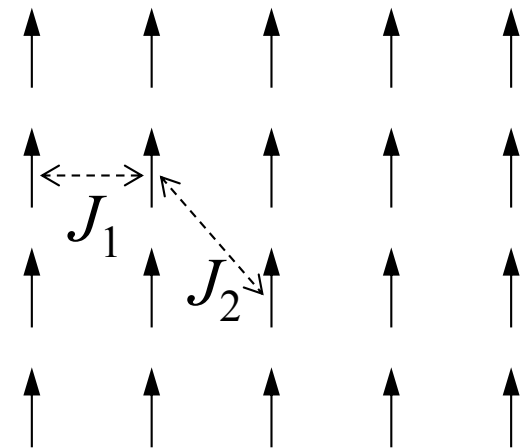
$$S = \frac{1}{2}, 1, \frac{3}{2}, \dots$$

$$\mathcal{H}_S = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} J_{ij} \vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{S}_j$$

$$M_S = -S, -S+1, \dots, S-1, S$$

Applications:

- o Search of magnetic ground states
- o Thermodynamical properties
- o Magnetic excitations
- o Magnetization dynamics



$$J_{ij} = J(|\mathbf{R}_i - \mathbf{R}_j|)$$

Magnetic moments are localized within muffin-tin sphere

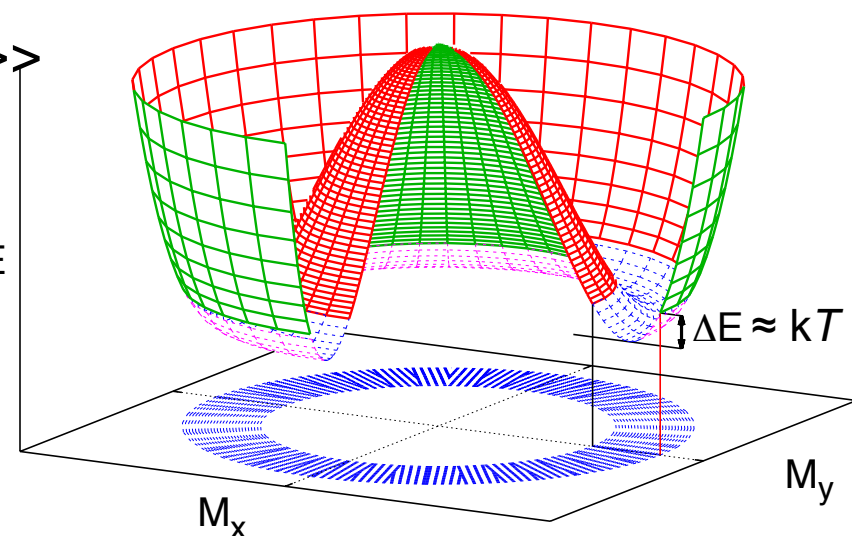
Energy for moments magnitude (1- 2 eV) $\gg$
energy for moments rotation (0.1-0.2 eV)

Magnitude change



$\gg$

Rotation



Adiabatic principle:

Time-scale of moment rotations (ps) $\gg$ time-scale of electron hopping (fs)

See e.g. You and Heine 1982; Staunton et al. 1985; Antropov et al. 1996; Halilov et al. 1998

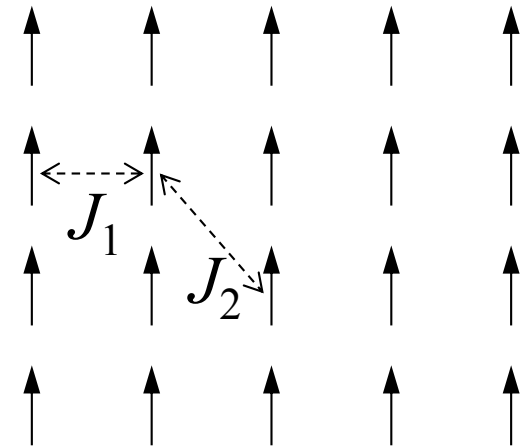
Classical Heisenberg model: $\vec{S} \rightarrow \vec{S} = \langle \vec{S} \rangle$

$$H_s = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} J_{ij} \vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{S}_j$$

$J > 0$: Ferromagnetism
 $J < 0$: Antiferromagnetism

Applications:

- o Search of magnetic ground states
- o Thermodynamical properties
- o Magnetic excitations
- o Magnetization dynamics



$$J_{ij} = J(|\mathbf{R}_i - \mathbf{R}_j|)$$

Classical Heisenberg Model

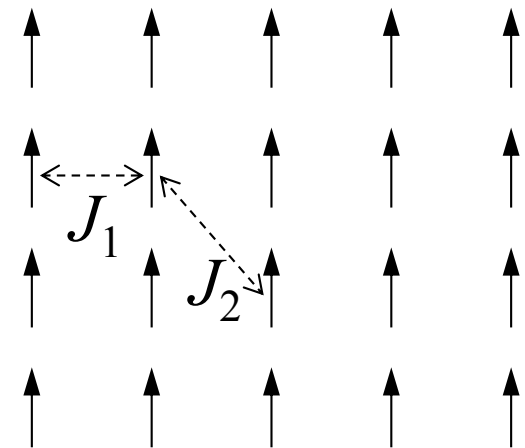
Classical Heisenberg model: $\vec{S} \rightarrow \vec{S} = \langle \vec{S} \rangle = \mathbf{S}$

$$H_s = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} J_{ij} \mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j$$

$J > 0$: Ferromagnetism
 $J < 0$: Antiferromagnetism

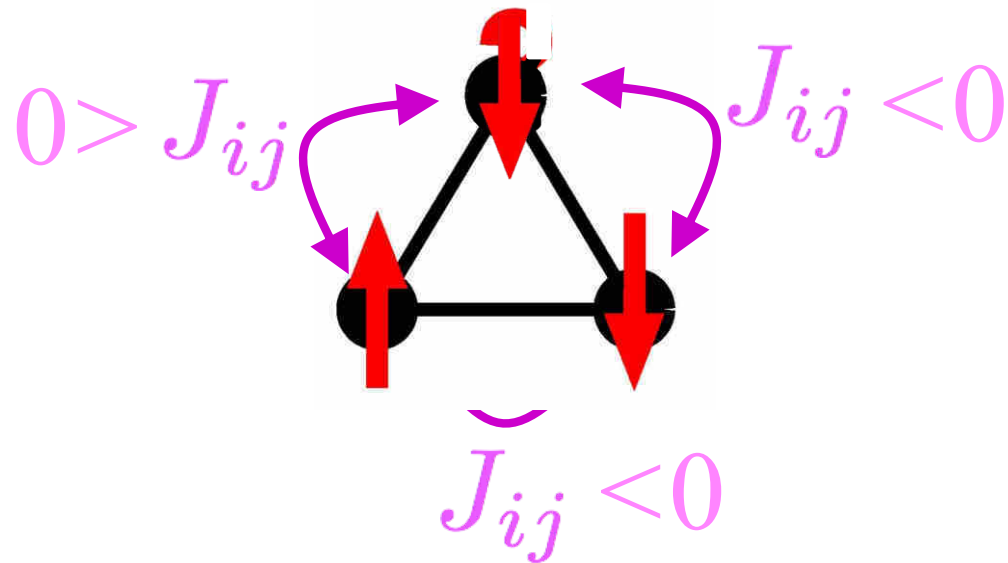
Applications:

- o Search of magnetic ground states
- o Thermodynamical properties
- o Magnetic excitations
- o Magnetization dynamics

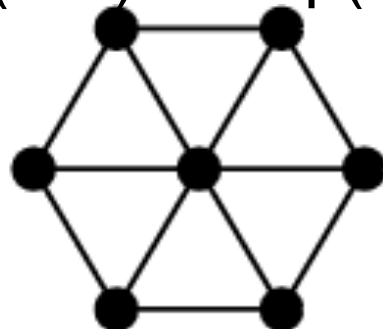


$$J_{ij} = J(|\mathbf{R}_i - \mathbf{R}_j|)$$

Geometrical Frustration

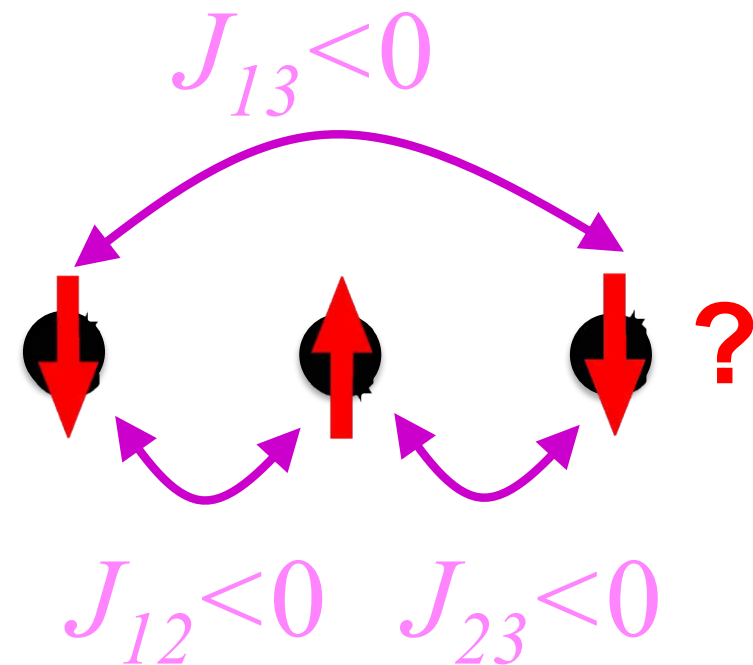


Cr/Mn on
fcc(111) or hcp(0001)



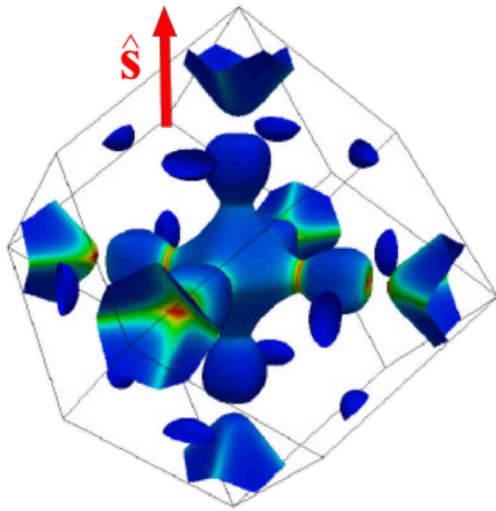
Frustrated Heisenberg Model

$$H_{\text{interactions}} = - \sum_{i,j} J_{ij} \mathbf{s}_i \cdot \mathbf{s}_j$$

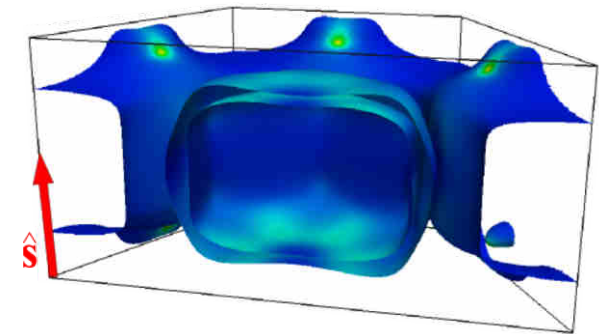


Fermi surface of transition metals

bcc W (Z=74)



hcp Os (Z=76)



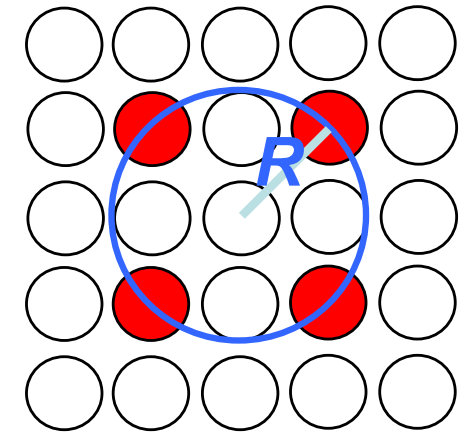
details matter !

$$J_{ij} \propto \frac{\cos(2k_F |\mathbf{R}_i - \mathbf{R}_j|)}{|\mathbf{R}_i - \mathbf{R}_j|^3}$$

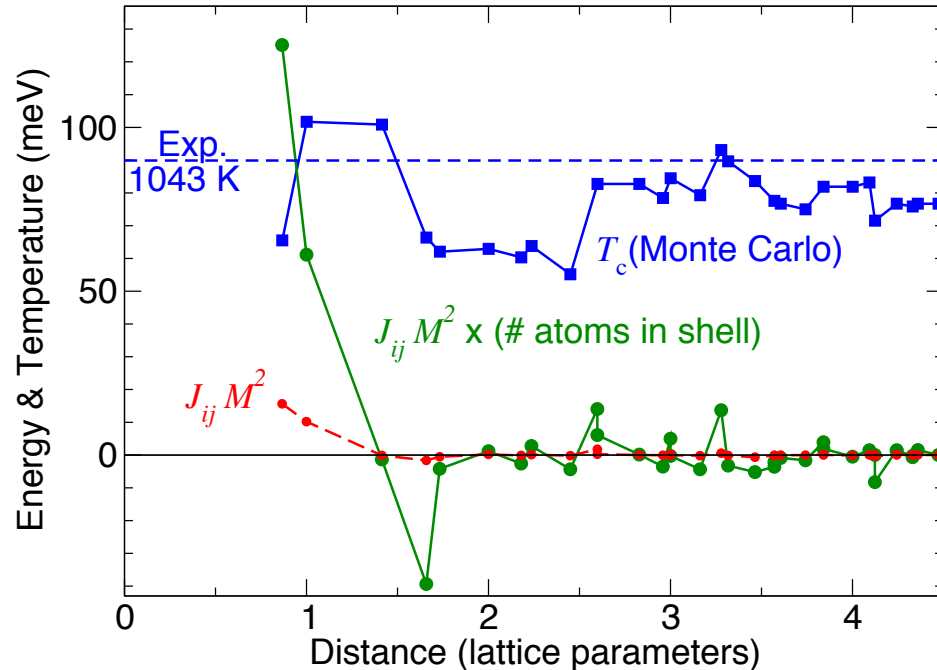
Oscillatory exchange interaction

$$J_{ij} \propto \frac{\cos(2k_F |\mathbf{R}_i - \mathbf{R}_j|)}{|\mathbf{R}_i - \mathbf{R}_j|^3} e^{-2\sqrt{E_g} |\mathbf{R}_i - \mathbf{R}_j|}$$

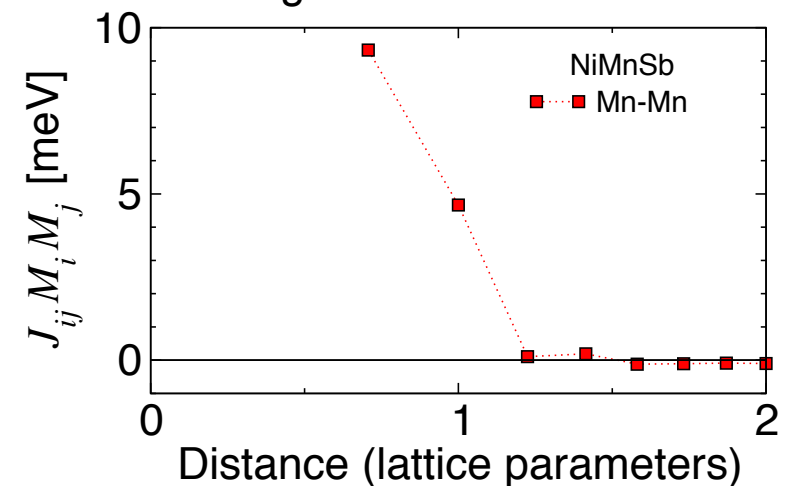
Shell of equivalent atoms at a distance



Exchange interactions and Curie temperature in bcc Fe



Exchange interactions in NiMnSb



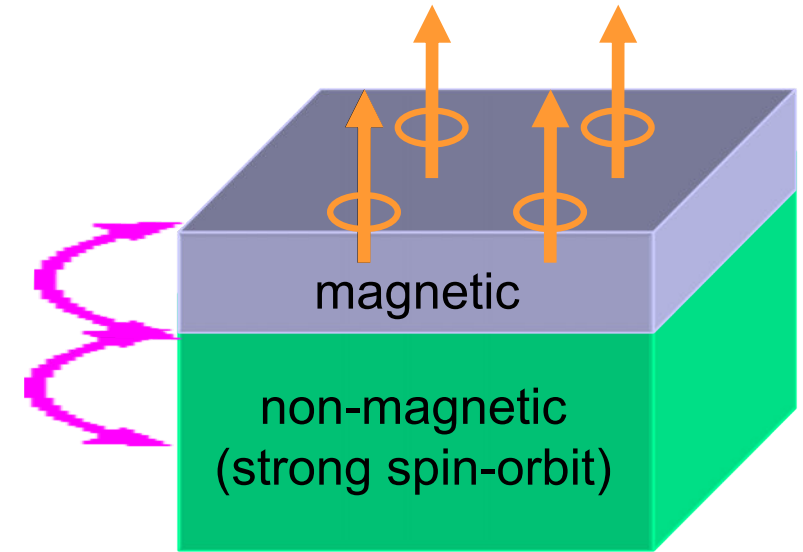
An other exotic magnetic interaction: Dzyaloshinsky Moriya Interaction

- Magnetism is a field with many different types of interactions at different length and energy scales.

Dzyaloshinskii-Moriya Interaction

Break of inversion symmetry

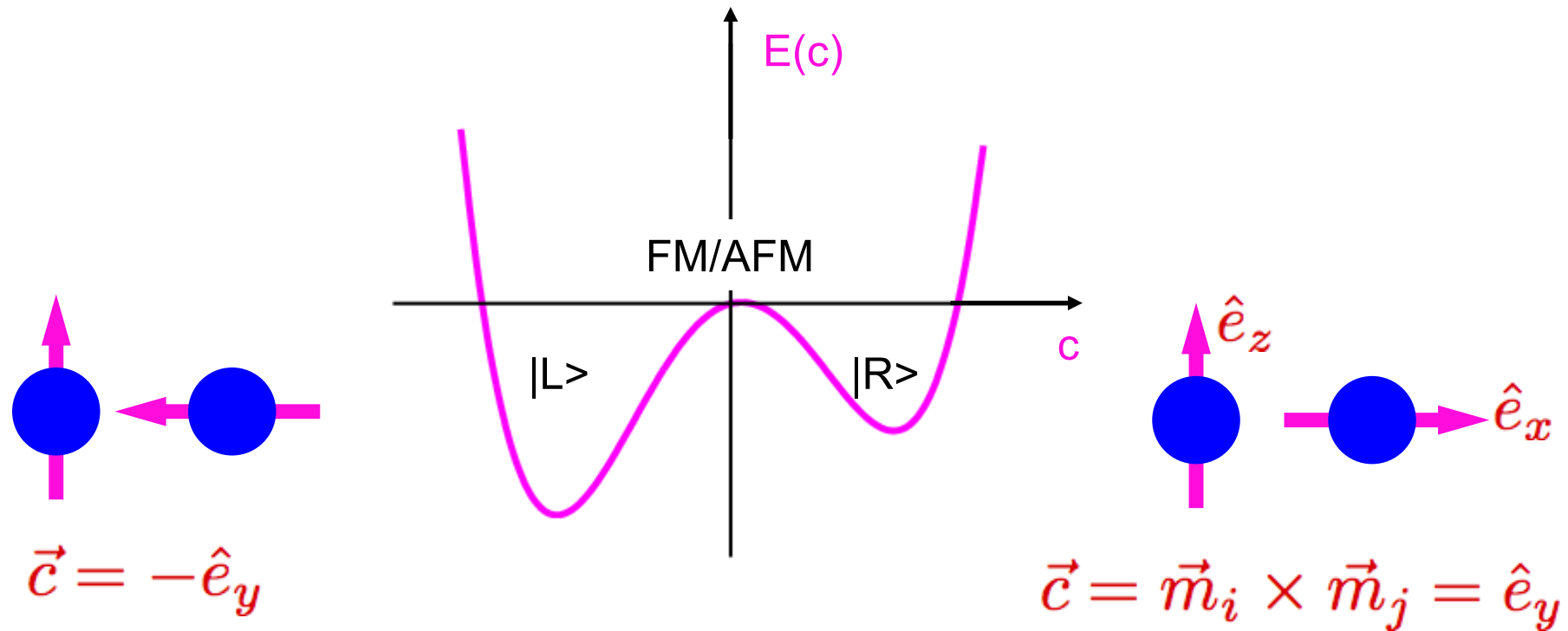
$$P(z) \neq P(-z)$$



$$H_{\text{DM}} = \sum_{ij} \mathbf{D}_{ij} \underbrace{\mathbf{m}_i \times \mathbf{m}_j}_{\mathbf{c}_{ij}}$$

Dzyaloshinskii-Moriya
Antisymmetric Exchange
Chiral magnetic interaction

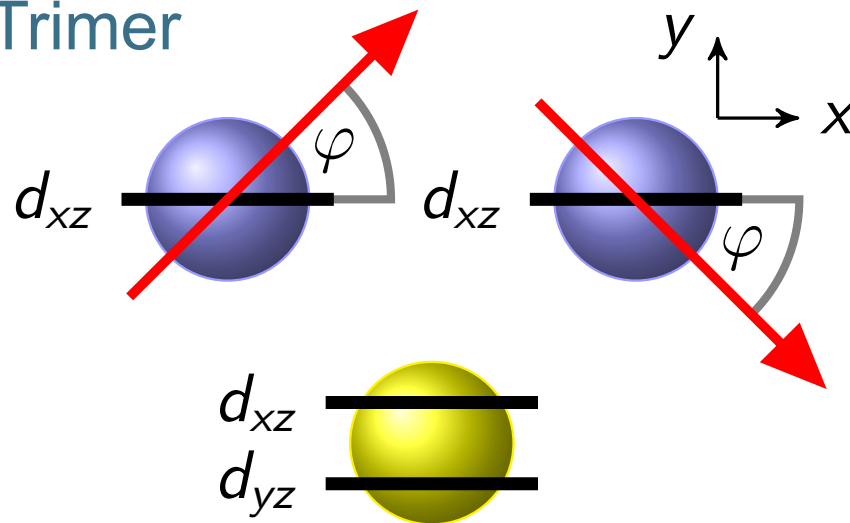
Dzyaloshinskii-Moriya Interaction



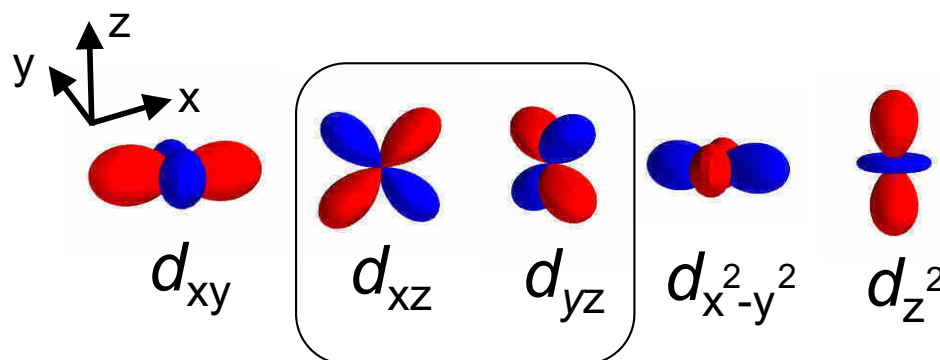
$$\longrightarrow H_{\text{DM}} = \sum_{i,j} \vec{D}_{i,j} \underbrace{\vec{S}_i \times \vec{S}_j}_{\vec{c}}$$

DMI: Tight-binding model

❖ Isosceles Trimer



❖ Basis



- two magnetic atoms and one non-magnetic atom
- one orbital (d_{xz}) on magnetic and two orbitals (d_{xz}, d_{yz}) on non-magnetic atom
- non-collinear magnetic configuration: rotation within x-y plane
- no SOI on magnetic and large SOI on non-magnetic atoms

Minimal system and model covering non-vanishing DMI inspired by model A. Fert and P. M. Levy, PRL **44** 1538 (1980)

Perturbative solution for NC case

TB Hamiltonian:

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_0 + \mathcal{H}_{\text{mag}}(\varphi \neq 0)$$

Perturbation

$$\Delta V = -\Theta_A^\dagger \boldsymbol{\sigma} \mathbf{B} \Theta_A = -\gamma \sigma_y \delta_{AA},$$

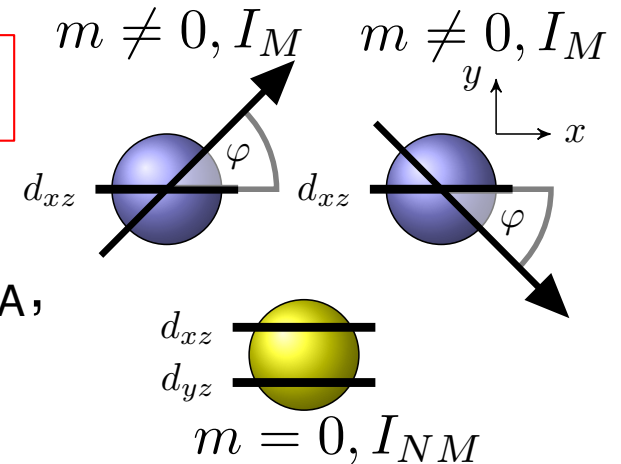
Eigenstate in first order perturbation :

$$|\tilde{n}\rangle =$$

$$|n^\sigma\rangle + \sum_{\substack{n' (\neq n) \\ (\sigma' \neq \sigma)}} \frac{\langle n'^{\sigma'} | \Delta V | n^\sigma \rangle}{\varepsilon_n^\sigma - \varepsilon_{n'}^{\sigma'}} |n'^{\sigma'}\rangle$$

$$=$$

$$|n^\sigma\rangle - i\gamma \sum_{\substack{n' (\neq n) \\ (\sigma' \neq \sigma)}} \frac{\delta S_{n'^{\sigma'} n^\sigma}}{\varepsilon_n^\sigma - \varepsilon_{n'}^{\sigma'}} |n'^{\sigma'}\rangle$$



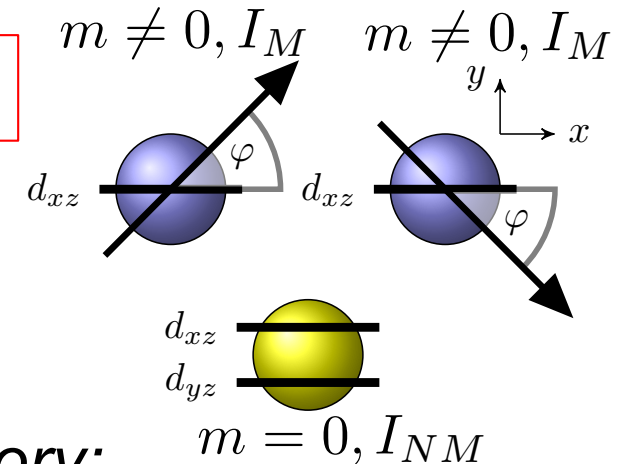
Perturbative solution for SOC

TB Hamiltonian:

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_0 + \mathcal{H}_{\text{mag}}(\varphi \neq 0)$$

Perturbation

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{SOI}} \sim \xi \mathbf{L} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma} = \xi L_z \sigma_z$$



Energy shift in first order perturbation theory:

$$\delta \epsilon_n = \langle \tilde{n} | \mathcal{H}_{\text{SO}} | \tilde{n} \rangle$$

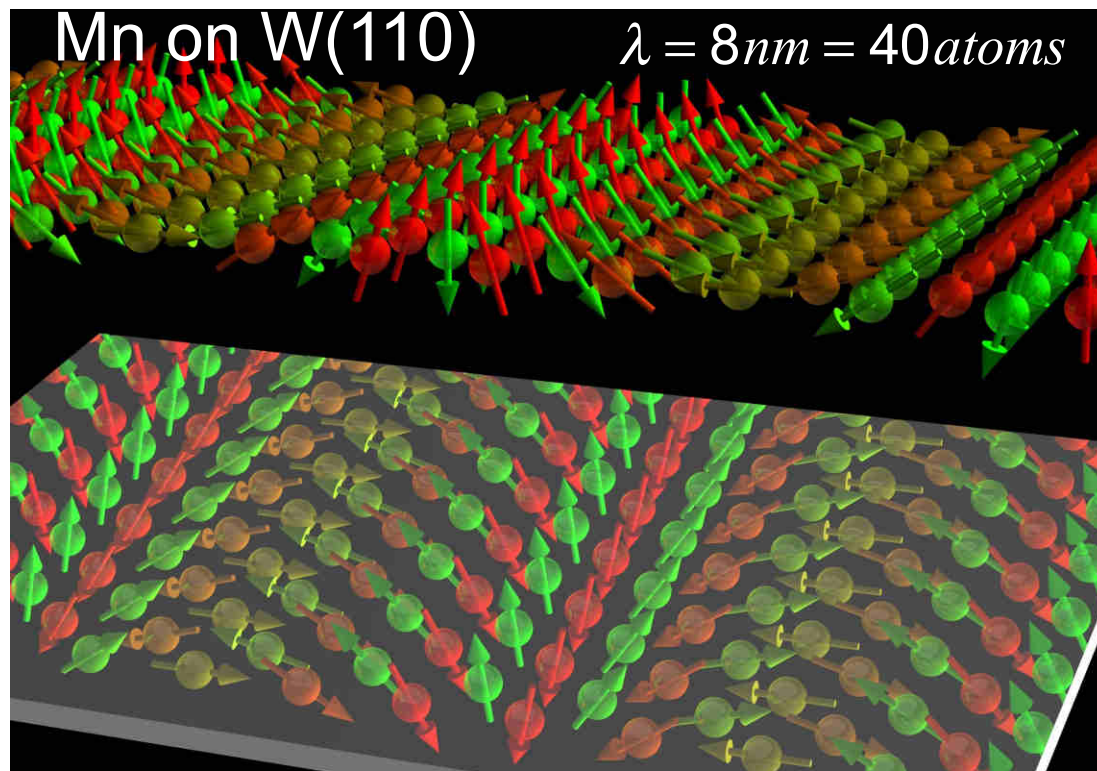
$$E_{\text{DMI}} = \sum \delta \epsilon_n \cdot f(\epsilon_n)$$

$$\delta \epsilon_n = -\gamma \xi \sum_{\substack{n' (\neq n) \\ (\sigma' \neq \sigma)}} \frac{i \langle n'^{\sigma'} | \sigma_y | n^{\sigma} \rangle_A \langle n^{\sigma} | L_{\mp} \sigma_{\pm} | n'^{\sigma'} \rangle_C}{\epsilon_n^{\sigma} - \epsilon_{n'}^{\sigma'}}$$

$$= -\gamma \xi t_1 t_2 (-1)^i \sigma \sum_{n' (\neq n)} \frac{\tau \delta_{\sigma, -\sigma'} \tau'}{W_n^{\sigma} (\epsilon_n^{\sigma} - \epsilon_{n'}^{\sigma'}) W_{n'}^{\sigma'}}$$

Example 7: Homo-chiral magnetic structure

Formation of homochiral (cycloidal) magnetism ground state



Mn/W(110): M. Bode *et al.*, Nature **447**, 190 (2007).

Mn/W(100): P. Ferriani *et al.*, PRL **101**, 027201 (2008).

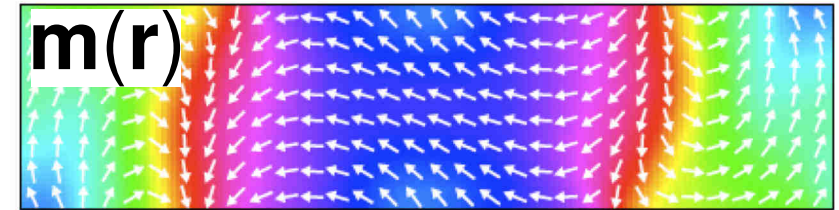
Cr/W(110): B. Zimmermann *et al.* PRB **90**, 115427 (2014).

Fe/Ir(100): M. Menzel *et al.*, PRL **108**, 197204 (2012).

Theoretical scale bridging models

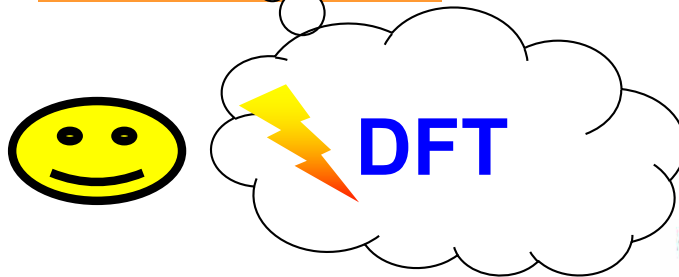
❖ Micromagnetic-model ($\approx \mu\text{m}$):

$$E(\mathbf{m}) = \int \left[A |\nabla \mathbf{m}|^2 + \mathbf{D} \cdot (\nabla \mathbf{m} \times \mathbf{m}) + \mathbf{m} \cdot \underline{\mathbf{K}} \cdot \mathbf{m} \right] dr$$

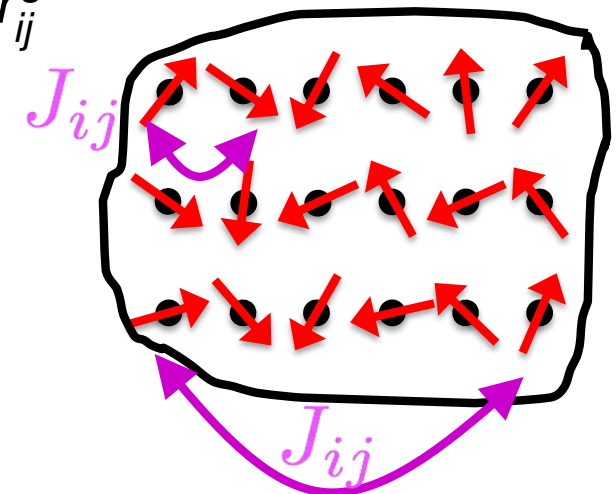
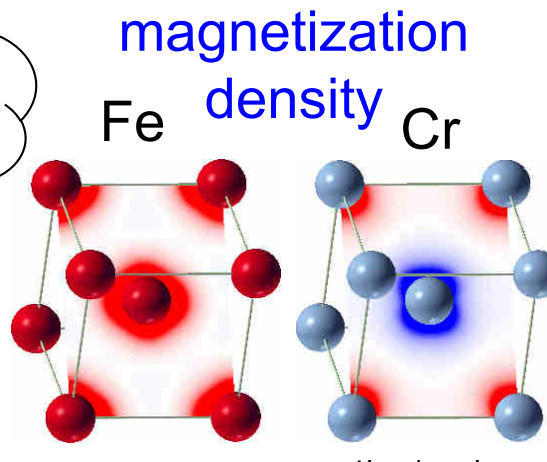


❖ Spin-Lattice Model: ($\cong 10\text{nm}$)

$$H = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} J_{ij} \mathbf{m}_i \cdot \mathbf{m}_j + \sum_{ij} \mathbf{D}_{ij} \cdot (\mathbf{m}_i \times \mathbf{m}_j) + \sum_i \mathbf{m}_i \cdot \underline{\mathbf{K}} \cdot \mathbf{m}_i + \sum_{ij} \frac{1}{r_{ij}^3} [\mathbf{m}_i \mathbf{m}_j - (\mathbf{m}_i \hat{\mathbf{e}}_i)(\mathbf{m}_j \hat{\mathbf{e}}_i)]$$



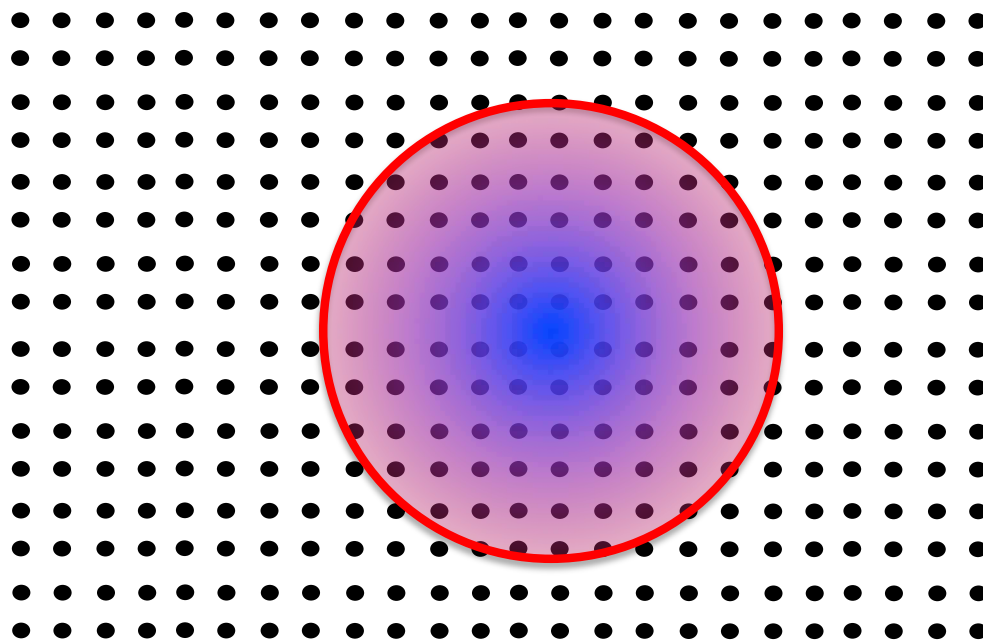
❖ DFT-model: $E[n, \mathbf{m}]$



❖ Micromagnetic-model:

$$E(\mathbf{m}) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \left[\underline{A} |\nabla \mathbf{m}|^2 + \underline{D} : (\nabla \mathbf{m} \times \mathbf{m}) + \mathbf{m} \cdot \underline{K} \cdot \mathbf{m} - B \mathbf{m} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{e}}_z \right] dr$$

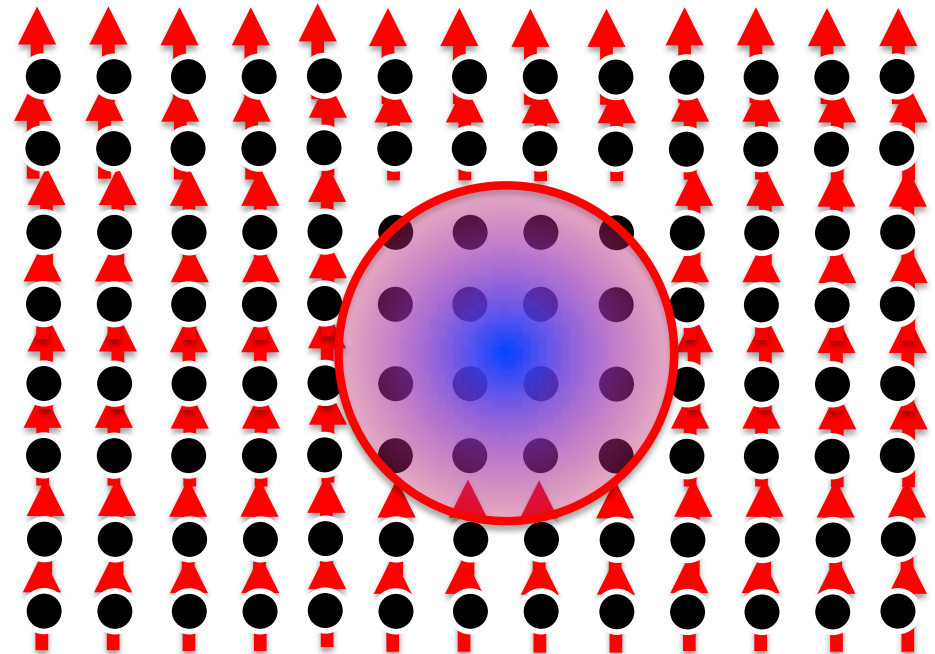
- Approximate in materials specificity
- Limited accuracy for small skyrmions or skyrmion stability



Continuum approximation

$$\mathbf{m}(\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{R}_i) \approx \mathbf{m}(\mathbf{R}_i) + (\mathbf{R}_i - \mathbf{R}_j) \nabla \mathbf{m}(\mathbf{r}) \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad \mathbf{m}_i = \mathbf{m}(\mathbf{R}_i)$$

❖ Atomistic Model



Multiscale approach

❖ Micromagnetic-model:

Continuum Approximation $\mathbf{m}_i = \mathbf{m}(\mathbf{R}_i) \Rightarrow \mathbf{m}(\mathbf{r}) = \mathbf{m}_i$ for $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{R}_i$

$$E(\mathbf{m}) = \int [A |\nabla \mathbf{m}|^2 + \mathbf{D} \cdot (\nabla \mathbf{m} \times \mathbf{m}) + \mathbf{m} \cdot \mathbf{K} \cdot \mathbf{m}] d\mathbf{r}$$

▪ Spin Stiffness

$$A = \frac{1}{A_\Omega} \sum_{j>0} J_{0j} R_{0j}^2$$

▪ Spiralization (micromagnetic D)

$$\mathbf{D} = \frac{1}{A_\Omega} \sum_{j>0} \mathbf{D}_{0j} \otimes \mathbf{R}_{0j}$$

❖ Spin-Lattice Model:

$$H = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} J_{ij} \mathbf{m}_i \mathbf{m}_j + \sum_{ij} \mathbf{D}_{ij} \overbrace{\mathbf{m}_i \times \mathbf{m}_j}^{\mathbf{c}} + \sum_i \mathbf{m}_i \mathbf{K} \mathbf{m}_i + \sum_{ij} \frac{1}{r_{ij}^3} [\mathbf{m}_i \mathbf{m}_j - (\mathbf{m}_i \hat{\mathbf{e}}_i)(\mathbf{m}_j \hat{\mathbf{e}}_i)]$$

❖ DFT-model: $\mathbf{m}$, J_{ij} , $\mathbf{D}_{ij}$, $\mathbf{K}$

❖ Micromagnetic-model:

$$E(\mathbf{m}) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \left[\underline{A} |\nabla \mathbf{m}|^2 + \underline{D} : (\nabla \mathbf{m} \times \mathbf{m}) + \mathbf{m} \cdot \underline{K} \cdot \mathbf{m} - B \mathbf{m} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{e}}_z \right] dr$$

❖ Atomistic / Spin-Lattice Model:

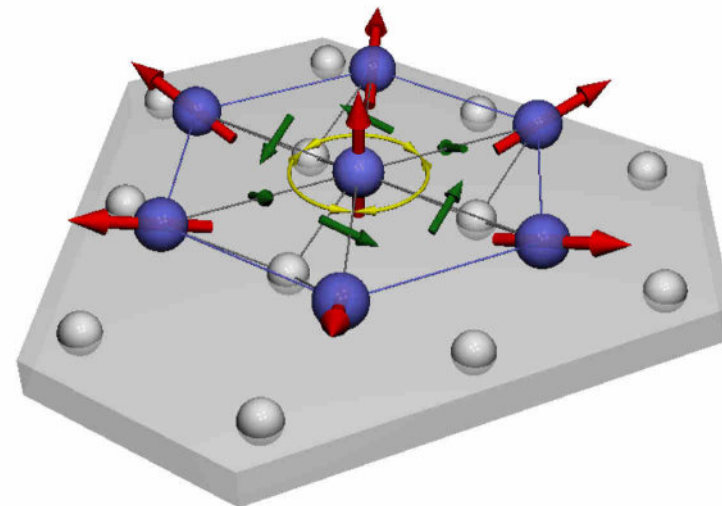
$$H = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} \underline{J}_{ij} \mathbf{m}_i \mathbf{m}_j + \sum_{ij} \underline{D}_{ij} \overbrace{\mathbf{m}_i \times \mathbf{m}_j}^{\mathbf{c}} + \sum_i \mathbf{m}_i \underline{K} \mathbf{m}_i + \sum_{ij} \frac{1}{r_{ij}^3} [\mathbf{m}_i \mathbf{m}_j - (\mathbf{m}_i \hat{\mathbf{e}}_i)(\mathbf{m}_j \hat{\mathbf{e}}_i)]$$

➤ Dzyaloshinskii-Moriya vector $\underline{D}_{ij} = (D^x, D^y, D^z)_{ij}$

C_{3v} : (111) – Surface

mirror planes →

$\underline{D}$ inplane $\underline{D}_{ij} = (D^x, 0, D^z)_{ij}$



❖ Micromagnetic-model:

$$E(\mathbf{m}) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \left[A |\nabla \mathbf{m}|^2 + \underline{\mathbf{D}} : (\nabla \mathbf{m} \times \mathbf{m}) + \mathbf{m} \cdot \underline{\mathbf{K}} \cdot \mathbf{m} - B \mathbf{m} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{e}}_z \right] dr$$

❖ Atomistic / Spin-Lattice Model:

<https://spirit-code.github.io/>

$$H = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} J_{ij} \mathbf{m}_i \mathbf{m}_j + \sum_{ij} \underline{\mathbf{D}}_{ij} \overbrace{\mathbf{m}_i \times \mathbf{m}_j}^{\mathbf{c}} + \sum_i \mathbf{m}_i \underline{\mathbf{K}} \mathbf{m}_i + \sum_{ij} \frac{1}{r_{ij}^3} [\mathbf{m}_i \mathbf{m}_j - (\mathbf{m}_i \hat{\mathbf{e}}_i)(\mathbf{m}_j \hat{\mathbf{e}}_i)]$$

▪ Spin Stiffness:

$$A \propto \sum_{j>0} J_{0j} R_{0j}^2$$

▪ Spiralization (micromagnetic D)

$$\underline{\mathbf{D}} \propto \sum_{j>0} \underline{\mathbf{D}}_{0j} \otimes \mathbf{R}_{0j}$$

❖ DFT-model: From *ab initio* total energy:

• $A, \underline{\mathbf{D}}, \underline{\mathbf{K}}$
• $J_{ij}, \underline{\mathbf{D}}_{ij}$

$$E_{\text{tot}}^{\text{DFT}}(\mathbf{q}, \hat{\mathbf{e}}_{\text{rot}}) = E_{\text{noSOC}}^{\text{DFT}}(\mathbf{q}) + \Delta E_{\text{SOC}}^{\text{DFT}}(\mathbf{q}, \hat{\mathbf{e}}_{\text{rot}})$$

M. Heide, G. Bihlmayer, and S. Blügel, Physica B **404**, 2678 (2009)

B. Zimmermann, M. Heide, G. Bihlmayer, and S. Blügel, PRB **90**, 115427 (2014)

B. Schweflinghaus, B. Zimmermann, G. Bihlmayer and S. Blügel, PRB **94**, 024403 (2016)



Determine the spin-textures yourselves



<https://www.juDFT.de>

<https://spirit-code.github.io/>

Thanks !