

Strongly correlated electron systems (superconductors) and Neutron scattering -view from a neutron instrumental scientist-

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大強度陽子加速器計画



Importance of the dimensionality of the electron system



Periodicity of electron system creates Fermi surface nesting and gap formation

System's energy decreases !

 $2\Delta(0) = 3.5k_B T_P^{MF}$

It is the same as BCS



Band gap at electron periodicity at E_F



2electrons in a unit cell -> insulator

Density response function (polarization susceptibility)

$$\chi(Q) = \frac{1}{V} \sum_{k} \frac{f_{k+Q} - f_k}{E_k - E_{k-Q}}$$

Singularity strength is dominated by the size of the nesting surface at $\rm E_{\rm F}$

For 1D system

$$\chi(Q) = \frac{2m}{\pi\hbar^2 Q} \ln \left| \frac{Q + 2k_F}{Q - 2k_F} \right|$$
$$\chi(2k_F) = \frac{D_F}{N} \ln \frac{1.14E_B}{k_B T}$$

In case for 1D, Peierls transition always occurs (metal- insulator transition)

Anomaly at $2k_F$ for electron system \Rightarrow CDW



2kF

0



Spin susceptibility has a anomaly at a finite T

There is always a temperature where Uc(Q)/2=1, because of the character of $c(Q) \Rightarrow 2-k_F-SDW$ is created if there is U (electron correlation) under nesting condition.

Strong correlation creates AF insulator

Mott insulator



Occupation at a k is one not two. Hence, $4k_F$ -CDW occurs (TTF-TCNQ, $2K_F$ -CDW + $4K_F$ -CDW)

Superconductivity and Antiferromagnetism

Most of superconductors, recently discovered, have **2D-nature** in the electron states.

Oxide-HTC, Hf-compound, SrRuO, Organic SC (BEDT-TTF etc), Fe-pnictide



Oxide-HTC: stripe, 1/8 problem very high U(OSC)~10eV Organic SC: SDW, CDW medium U~ U(OSC)/10 Fe-pnictide: SDW

Theoretical views for those superconductivity depends on each cases.

However, there seems to be an universal view for them (Generic, Robust concept ?)

SC symmetry depends on SC gap nature. exchange of electron-pair has asymmetric nature including wave function and spin part.

Cooper pair symmetry;

s, d; singlet pair p; triplet pair

2D - SDW from LaFeAsO



electron concentration

R. Klingeler, et al., cond-mat 2008



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2D nature in the electronic states

LaFeAsO_{1-x} F_x T_c~26K Kamihara, Hosono et al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 130, 3296 (2008).



2D - Fermi surface nesting 2D-SDW, SC

5-orbitals ($d(Z^2-R^2)$, d(XZ), d(YZ), $d(X^2-Y^2)$, d(XY)) of 3d states have contribution It is not a Mott insulator (U~1eV)

D.J. Singh and M.H. Du, Phys. Rev. Lett. 100, 237003 (2008).



(Cruz et al. Nature 2008)





c 140

120

100 Suno

80

60

Inelastic Neutron Scattering from a powder sample (LaFeAsO)

(one of the most important role of neutrons)



T- dependence

S(Q=1.0~1.3 Å, E=7.5~9 meV)



excitation from 2D-SDW

2D-SDW: Warren function



3D - AF long range order zone centers

Static 3D-AF order and 2D-SDW in the inelastic region.

Existence of 2D-SDW



Nesting and unconventional S-wave SC Formation of SDW by a nesting Kuroki, Aoki, PRL 2008



Ewings et al., cond-mat Aug. 2008

Similar experiments were rushed almost in the same time on the same instrument, MERLIN in ISIS.

Our Exp. date; 10 July Christianson; 14 July Ewings; after two above.

Ba0.6K0.4Fe2As2 (Tc=38K), Resonance peak in the SC states





Resemblance in the optical conductivity



Oxide High Tc superconductor

Strong U(~8eV); strongly correlated electron system (half filling system) \Rightarrow Mott insulator 2D electron system $(3d(X^2-Y^2), spin=1/2,$ charge transfer to the oxygen 2ps) 2D magnetic system 2D phonon system 500 $Nd_{2-x}Ce_{x}CuO_{4-\delta}$ $La_{2-x}Sr_{x}CuO_{4}$ Elect. dop Hole doping. 100 50 $T_{\rm c}$ 10 T_{c} SC 超伝導 AF 5SC 0.2 0.3 0.20.10 0.1 x(Ce)x(Sr)

 $T(\mathbf{K})$

図 2.7 $La_{2-x}Sr_{x}CuO_{4}$ および $Nd_{2-x}Ce_{x}CaO_{4-\delta}$ の電子相図²²⁾



Common feature in the magnetic excitation in the oxide high Tc superconductors





Summary and guess

1) Strongly correlated electron system (SCES) gives various exotic physical properties.

2) Low dimensionality and the Fermi surface topology is important.

3) The discovery of the Fe-pnictide is very important for itself, but also stimulating reconsideration of physics of Oxide HTCSC.

4) It seems that **electron-electron correlation (nesting)** has an importance.

5) Studying dynamics of materials, by means of Neutron, X-ray, ARPES, Muon, is very important to understand the intrinsic mechanism of physical properties of SCES.

6) IMSS has those tools in hand, and hence the formation of the **Condensed Matter Research Center** is very timely to extend and enhance the activity of IMSS.

7) J-PARC can have an important role for it.



J-PARC neutron facility will provide excellent opportunities to study strongly correlated electron systems.

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