4. Electronic Structure, Magnetism and Pairing in Fe-Based Superconductors

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The physical properties of the layered iron superconductors are discussed starting from first principles calculations. The electronic structure is described as that of metallic Fe^{2+} square lattice sheets with substantial direct Fe-Fe hopping and interactions with the neighboring anionic pnictogens or chalcogens. The materials have a semi-metallic band structure, and in particular the Fermi surface consists of small cylindrical electron sections centered at the zone corner, and compensating hole sections at the zone boundary. The density of states at the Fermi energy is high placing the materials near itinerant magnetism in general, and furthermore the Fermi surface is well nested, leading to a tendency towards a spin density wave. Comparison of experimental and density functional results imply the presence of exceptionally strong spin fluctuations in these materials. We discuss pairing and superconductivity within this context.

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Discovery of Superconductivity in Fe-As Compounds

Kamihara et al., JACS, 2006

LaFePO, $T_c \sim 4$ K

Kamihara, Watanabe and Hosono, JACS, Feb. 2008

 $LaFeAsO_{1-x}F_x$ $T_c=26K$



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Fe-based Superconducting Families

LaFeAsO	$BaFe_2As_2$	LiFeAs	FeSe
ZrSiCuAs	ThCr ₂ Si ₂	LiMnAs	PbO
P4/nmm	I4/mmm	P4/nmm	P4/nmm
~55K	~40K	~20K	~25K

Superconductivity is robust. Occurs across a broad range of compositions, including replacement of As, and doping on the Fe site.

FeSe - The "Simplest" Fe-Superconductor

• Simple tetragonal structure, four atoms per unit cell (Hagg and Kindstrom, Z. Phys. Chem. (1933).



LDA Electronic Structure of FeSe

- A rather ionic material Fe²⁺ and Se²⁻ with some hybridization, as in an oxide → metallic sheets of Fe²⁺ modified by interaction of anions.
- Pauling electronegativities: Fe = 1.83; Se = 2.55; As = 2.18.



Arsenide Electronic Structure: LaFeAsO

- LaFeAsO: Rather ionic electronic structure: O²⁻, As³⁻, La³⁺
- Bands near E_F are derived from Fe with little As admixture



D.J. Singh and M.H. Du, PRL 100, 237003 (2008) $E\ (eV)$

Formation of Band Structure

- Bands from -2 eV to +2 eV are derived from Fe²⁺ d-states.
- Fe²⁺ has 6 *d*-electrons.



Does not correspond to the calculated electronic structure.

Key is the short Fe-Fe bond length \rightarrow direct Fe-Fe interactions.

Coulomb Correlations

- LDA and correlated approaches give rather different predictions.
- So far experiment aligns better with LDA.
- Not Coulomb correlated in the sense of cuprates.





Fermi Surface LaFeAsO – Non-Spin-Polarized



Two cylindrical electron sections at zone corner.

Two cylindrical hole sections at zone center.

3D hole section at zone center.

Low carrier density: $n_e = n_h = 0.13$ / Fe

Electrons provide 20% of $N(E_F)$ but 65% of $N < v_x^2 >$

Band anisotropy: $\langle v_x^2 \rangle / \langle v_z^2 \rangle \sim 15 \Rightarrow$ a modest value that is favorable for applications.

Normal Metallic State

- Low carrier density semi-metal (dis-connected small Fermi surfaces).
- Less anisotropic than cuprates, even YBa₂Cu₃O₇.
- High $N(E_F)$.
 - Near itinerant magnetism in general.
 - Expect short coherence length relative to T_c .
 - Expect high superfluid density.
- Electron-Phonon interaction is weak ($\lambda \sim 0.2$, $T_c=0$)

Superconductivity in Metal Doped Materials

- Superconductivity requires destruction of SDW by doping.
- Remarkably, doping with Co or Ni works (*c.f.* cuprates).



Calculations show that alloy behaves very much in a rigid band sense.

Fe-Co-Ni behave very similarly apart from electron count.

Mn and Cr show strong spin dependent hybridization (different).

Chemical Details Matter

 The detailed Fermi surface structure especially for the hole bands depends on the material → can the different properties be understood in terms of these?



Experimental Situation

- ARPES and dHvA (phosphide) support general band and Fermi surface picture, but with mass renormalization of ~2.
- No large deviation is found on the energy scale of 1 5 eV. In particular no feature identifiable as a lower or upper Hubbard band is seen. Contradicts strong coupling picture as in DMFT calculations.



Electron doped NdFeAs(O,F)

Some problems (reconstruction?), but general topology is reproduced.

C. Liu et al., arXiv:0806.2147

Multiband Superconductivity

LaFeAsO_{0.89}F_{0.11} (*T_c* ~ 26K):

F. Hunte et al., Nature 453, 903 (2008)



Shape shows two band superconductivity

Upper critical fields (from lower field extrapolation) of higher T_c compounds exceed 100T.

LaFeAs(O,F) Lindhard Function

• Neglecting Matrix Elements:



Note the pronounced peak at the zone corner.

I.I. Mazin, D.J. Singh, M.D. Johannes and M.H. Du, PRL 101, 057003 (2008)

Spin Fluctuations and Superconductivity

One way to proceed (weak coupling):

- Calculate matrix elements $V_{k,k}$, for a set of k,k' on the FS.
- Set-up gap equation -- diagonalize V.

Berk-Schrieffer-Fay-Appel weak coupling theory, 1966-1980:



In a singlet channel there is a minus sign for spin fluctuations (repulsive), which then favors opposite order parameters on the electron and hole sheets \rightarrow s +/- state.

 $V(\mathbf{q}) = -\frac{l^2(q)\chi_0(\mathbf{q})}{1 - l^2(q)\chi_0^2(\mathbf{q})}$

Singlet:

Note prior work, Aronov & Sonin (1972); Kuroki and Arita (2001)

Does not have an obvious strongly qdependent interaction for nodes in a FS.

I.I. Mazin, D.J. Singh, M.D. Johannes and M.H. Du, PRL 101, 057003 (2008)

S +/- Superconducting Properties

- Two gap.
- SDW and superconductivity are driven by the same interaction and compete for the same electrons.
- Clean limit thermodynamics is exponential.
- Clean gap in tunneling.
- Robust against low *q* scattering (Co, Ni doping?)
- No corner junction shifts (*s*-wave symmetry)
- Coherence factors depend on q. Reduced Hebel-Slichter peak in NMR relaxation rate.
- Resonance peak in neutron scattering.

Small Fermi Surfaces in General

• Does superconductivity arise in general if one has small Fermi surfaces with nesting driven spin fluctuations? – Answer seems to be no.



p-wave state (triplet): spin-fluctuation pairing interaction has + sign \rightarrow Pair breaking for the state shown.



s-wave state (singlet): spin-fluctuation pairing interaction has - sign \rightarrow Pair breaking for the state shown.

e.g. small pockets on $Na_x CoO_2$ (Johannes et al., 2004).

In such cases, look for chemistry with strong electron phonon and low Stoner parameter, to obtain Kohn anomaly and e-p superconductivity or maybe strange states, e.g. odd frequency. nature

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Unconventional superconductivity in Ba_{0.6}K_{0.4}Fe₂As₂ from inelastic neutron scattering

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Sign changing gap with q corresponding to (π,π)

Gap Structure

Fully Gapped: Andreev reflection, ARPES penetration depth (oxy-arsenides), tunneling.



Microwave penetration depth, PrFeAsO_{1-x} K. Hashimoto, et al., PRL (2009).

Power Law (e.g. Line Nodes): NMR. Penetration depth on $Ba(Fe,Co)_2As_2$.



NMR, LaFeAs(O,F) Y. Nakai, et al., JPSJ (2008).

Neutron Scattering – Magnetism & Structure LaFeAsO:

Ordered $m(Fe) = 0.36 \mu_B$

(other compounds so far are between 0.3 and 1 μ_B)



In-plane SDW structure



1 D Chains of parallel spin Fe atoms.

Resistivity in LaFeAsO



McGuire et al. (cond-mat):

Structure and Magnetism

- As height is too low by ~0.1 Å in non-magnetic LSDA calculations.
- SDW is too robust compared to experiment.
- Using GGA and including magnetism one can obtain much better As height. In that case magnetism is extremely robust $(m\sim 2\mu_B)$ contrary to experiment.
- Discrepancy in As height persists in the paramagnetic (superconducting) doped phases.
- There is a strong isotope effect both on T_c and on T_{SDW} (Liu *et al.*, condmat, 2008).
- We take this as an indication of very strong non-trivial spinfluctuations.

Quantum Critical Points and the LDA

Density Functional Theory: LDA & GGA are widely used for first principles calculations but have problems:

- Mott-Hubbard: Well known poor treatment of on-site Coulomb correlations.
- Based on uniform electron gas. Give mean field treatment of magnetism: Fluctuations missing.





LDA overestimate of ferromagnetic tendency is a signature of quantum critical fluctuations - neglected fluctuations suppress magnetism

Strong Spin Fluctuations in Normal State

- Transport data.
- Susceptibility $\gamma(T)$.
- · Spectroscopy.
- Scattering.
- Overly magnetic in LDA.
- Precursor structural transition.





Hund's Coupling

- Hund's coupling in 3d ions is strong (Stoner *I*~0.8 eV)
- Spin-fluctuations are then expected to couple to electronic states in the *d*-band going up to high energy (i.e. the *d*-band width) may be observable in spectroscopy. Drude weight seems reduced in optics.



Nesting, Doping and the Lindhard Function





Fe_{1+x}Te

- Fe_{1+x}Te has larger Fermi surface, greater tendency towards magnetism than the other compounds.
- Excess Fe is magnetic, and may also stabilize magnetism over fluctuating state. Excess Fe occurs as Fe¹⁺ (Zhang).
- Experiment shows evolution as function of Fe doping from commensurate (not the same as FeSe) to incommensurate at high doping. Moments are large ($\sim 2 \mu_B$).
- May be useful to use another monovalent to dope (e.g. Tl) and replace excess Fe.

Subedi, et al., PRB (2008)

Comparison with Cuprates

	Cuprates	Fe-As
Magnetic & superconducting phases	Yes, magnetic phase insulating above & below T_{N} (Mott insulator)	Yes. Magnetic phase is metallic. Above T_N is is similar to the metal in the superconducting phase.
Electronic structure	Moderate $N(E_F)$, large FS at least for optimal doped	High $N(E_F)$, small disconnected FS
Doping	Essential.	Destruction of SDW is enough.
Magnetic character	Local moment	Strong coupled, apparently itinerant. Need neutron scattering.
Correlations	Strong. Mott-Hubbard type (e.g. p.e. satellites)	Probably strong but different e.g. spin fluctuations. Not Mott- Hubbard type.
Superconductivity	<i>d</i> -wave. Nodes. One band. Highly anistropic	Nodeless (<i>s</i> +/- ?). Two band. Maybe less anisotropic.
Structure	Oxides, corner shared octahedra complex	Simpler – tetragonal / orthorhombic, small unit cells.

Speculation Regarding Gap

Suppose that SDW-like pairing and superconductivity co-exist on the Fermi surface at different **k**.

This could be dependent on applied field, i.e. field could favor the magnetic state over the superconducting state.



5. First-Principles Calculations of Crystal and Electronic Structures of LaFeAsO under Hydrostatic Pressure

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The discovery of the new superconductor $LaO_{1-x}F_xFeAs$ (Tc = 26 K) [1] is one of the strongest impact to the materials science community. So far, we have reported first-principles electronic-structure studies of a mother material LaFeAsO [2,3].

In the present study, by means of first-principles calculations with and without magnetic polarization, we have determined crystal structures of LaFeAsO under hydrostatic pressure and obtained electronic structures corresponding to them. Details of structural parameters and electronic density of states have been analyzed as a function of hydrostatic pressure. Effects of introduction of oxygen vacancies and substitution of Y for La have been also investigated.

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Summary of our previous results about a possible ground state and its electronic structure of LaFeAsO

S. Ishibashi, K. Terakura and H. Hosono: J. Phys. Soc. Jpn. 77, 053709 (2008).

S. Ishibashi and K. Terakura: J. Phys. Soc. Jpn. 77, (2008) Suppl. C, pp. 91.

qmas_atom a code for generating atomic wavefunctions, pseudo-wavefunctions, projector functions, a local potential, compensation charge functions.



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Computational conditions

 Planewave energy cutoff 20 hartree (+Pulay stress correction) or 30 hartree

• GGA(PBE96) + partial core correction

• *k* points 12 x 12 x 6, 10 x 10 x 6 and 6 x 6 x 6 in full BZ for 1x1, c(2x2) and 2x2 cells, respectively.

- Convergence criterion for atomic force 5 x 10⁻⁵ hartree/bohr
- Convergence criterion for stress 5 x 10⁻⁷ hartree/bohr³

Reliability of our PAW calculation with reference to all-electron calculation

Note added. After submission of this paper, we became aware of a paper by Ishibashi *et al.*⁴¹ These authors applied an in-house pseudopotential code to four different fully AFM patterns ($\mu \ge 1.8 \ \mu_B$ on all sites). Their stabilization energies in all four cases agree with our all-electron results within 7 meV/f.u.

Mazin et al., Phys. Rev. B 78, 085104 (2008).







DOS for the AFM-G state of LaFeAsO with the experimental structure. The energy zero corresponds to the Fermi level.

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Magnetic stabilization energies and moments for LaFeAsO

Туре	ΔE (eV/formula)	$M(\mu_{\rm B})$	$\Delta E_{\rm opt}$ (eV/formula)	$M_{\rm opt}$ ($\mu_{\rm B}$)
FM	-0.004	0.40		
AFM-G	-0.080	1.89	-0.016	1.51
AFM-S	-0.174	2.12	-0.098	2.00
AFM-CE1	-0.064	1.88		
AFM-CE2	-0.116	2.12		

experimental structure at RT

optimized structures

Experimental results $\sim 0.35 \ \mu_{\rm B}$ neutron, de la Cruz et al., arXiv:0804.0795 Mössbauer, Kitao et al., arXiv:0805.0041

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Spin density distribution viewed along the c direction for the AFM-S state of LaFeAsO. Isodensity surface contours for the difference between the up-spin and down-spin electron densities are plotted. The blue and red surfaces correspond to 0.005 electrons/bohr³, respectively.

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Optimized crystal structures and comparison with experimental ones

Туре	a (Å)	b (Å)	c (Å)	z _{La}	Z _{As}
NM	4.0132 (5.6755)		8.6447	0.1450	0.6392
AFM-G	4.0407	(5.7144)	8.6431	0.1434	0.6420
AFM-S	5.6857	5.7578	8.7070	0.1425	0.6464
Exp. (RT)*	4.0353 (5.7068)		8.7409	0.1415	0.6512
Exp. (120 K)**	5.6826	5.7104	8.7196	0.1417	0.6513

*Y. Kamihara, T. Watanabe, M. Hirano and H. Hosono: J. Am. Chem Soc. **130** (2008) 3296.

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Hydrostatic pressure

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Backgrounds

• Calculated Fe magnetic moment is sensitive to Fe-As distance.

cf. Yin et al.: Phys. Rev. Lett. 101, 047001 (2008).

•Tc seems sensitive to As-Fe-As angle.

cf. Lee et al.: J. Phys. Soc. Jpn. 77, 083704 (2008).

Hydrostatic pressure can change the Fe-As distance and As-Fe-As angle on one material.

•Experimental report start to appear.

cf. Kumai et al.: J. Phys. Soc. Jpn. 78, 013705 (2009).

Figures and values in this part will be published elsewhere.

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Summary

- Our calculation predicts that the ground state of LaFeAsO is **antiferromagnetic with a stripe-type** magnetic moment alignment (AFM-S) leading to orthorhombic symmetry of the crystal. In this particular magnetic state, the density of states at the Fermi level is very small. (LaFePO has turned out to be paramagnetic and a good metal.) The structural parameters have been successfully obtained for the magnetic calculation but there is a significant discrepancy in **the Fe magnetic moment (2.0** $\mu_{\rm B}$ (calc.) vs. 0.35 $\mu_{\rm B}$ (exp.)).
- At zero pressure, the AFM-S cell is significantly larger than the NM cell. The AFM structure is closer to the experimental structure in spite of the discrepancy of the Fe magnetic moment. Under hydrostatic pressure, it is clearly shown the system is much softer along the c direction.
- Introduction of oxygen vacancy and substitution of Y for La do not affect significantly the compressibility along the *a* axis while do affect the compressibility along the *c* axis.

6. First-Principles GW Study of LaFeAsO: Electronic Structure and Correlation Effects

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Electron correlation effects in LaFeAsO are discussed based on first-principles calculations. Starting from the bandstructure obtained by density functional theory (DFT), we estimate the strength of the local interaction for the Fe 3d orbitals in the constrained random-phase-approximation (cRPA) combined with the maximally localized Wannier function [1,2]. For the "d model" where the model Hamiltonian is constructed from the manifold of the d states only, the value of Hubbard U is 2.2-3.4 eV depending on the orbital, with the largest (smallest) value for dxy (dx^2-y^2), and is 2.9 eV on average. The value is slightly smaller than that of bcc-Fe and significantly smaller than that of transition metal monoxides. The U parameter increases to 4.7 eV for the "dpp model" in which O 2p and As 4p states are also included in the model.

We also calculate the electron self-energy in the GW approximation. The shape of the GW bandstructure is similar to the DFT bandstructure, but the self-energy correction reduces the d bandwidth significantly by about 20 %. The real part of the self-energy monotonically decreases as a function of energy in [-5eV:5eV]. The renormalization factor (Z-factor) evaluated from the slope of the self-energy yields 0.5-0.7 and the value gets smaller near the Fermi level. More details will be given in the presentation.

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Maximally Localized Wannier Function

N. Marzari and D. Vanderbilt, PRB56, 12847 (1997)

I. Souza, N. Marzari and D. Vanderbilt, PRB65, 035109 (2001)

$$\psi_{n\mathbf{k}}^{(\mathbf{W})}(\mathbf{r}) = \sum_{m=1}^{\mathcal{N}_{\mathbf{k}}} \mathcal{U}_{mn}(\mathbf{k})\psi_{m\mathbf{k}}(\mathbf{r})$$
$$\varphi_{n\mathbf{R}}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{1}{N}\sum_{\mathbf{k}} e^{-i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{R}}\psi_{n\mathbf{k}}^{(\mathbf{W})}(\mathbf{r})$$



Constrained RPA

F.Aryasetiawan et al., Phys. Rev. B **70**, 195104 (2004) TM and F.Aryasetiawan, Phys. Rev. B **77**, 085122 (2008)

$$U_{mn} = \langle \varphi_{m0}(\mathbf{r})\varphi_{m0}(\mathbf{r})|W(\mathbf{r},\mathbf{r}';\omega=0)|\varphi_{n0}(\mathbf{r}')\varphi_{n0}(\mathbf{r}')\rangle$$

$$W = \epsilon^{-1}v = \frac{v}{1 - vP}$$

$$P(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}'; \omega) = \sum_{m}^{\text{occ unocc}} \sum_{n}^{\omega} \psi_{m}(\mathbf{r}) \psi_{n}^{*}(\mathbf{r}) \psi_{m}(\mathbf{r}') \\ \times \left\{ \frac{1}{\omega - \epsilon_{n} + \epsilon_{m} + i\delta} - \frac{1}{\omega + \epsilon_{n} - \epsilon_{m} - i\delta} \right\}$$



Effective Coulomb interaction (in eV)

c.f. K.Nakamura, R.Arita and M.Imada, J.Pys.Soc.Jpn.77, 093711(2008). TM et al., J.Phys.Soc.Jpn.77 Suppl.C99(2008).

	xy	yz	$3z^2 - r^2$	XZ	x^2-y^2
xy	3.35	2.03	2.02	2.03	2.15
уz	2.03	2.76	2.25	1.85	1.73
$3z^2 - r^2$	2.02	2.25	3.26	2.25	1.73
XZ	2.03	1.85	2.25	2.76	1.73
x^2-y^2	2.15	1.73	1.73	1.73	2.18
xy	I	yz		$3z^2$	$-r^2$



d-model vs. dpp-model





Ab-initio GW quasiparticle bandstructure

 $E_{\mathbf{k}n} = \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}n} + \langle \psi_{\mathbf{k}n} | \Sigma(E_{\mathbf{k}n}) - v_{\mathbf{x}c} | \psi_{\mathbf{k}n} \rangle$

Self-energy and the Z-factor





Summary

- Moderately correlated system with orbital dependent U $Udd = 2.2-3.4 \text{ eV}, U/t \sim 10 \text{ in the } d\text{-model}$
- Orbital dependence is weaker in the *dpp*-model $U_{dd} = 4.4-5.1 \text{ eV}$
- GW self-energy correction decreases the *d* band width, while it pushes down and widen the *p* band.
- The self-energy is a smooth function of frequency. Z = 0.5-0.6 near the Fermi level
- (*Preliminary*) the GW self-energy suppresses magnetic instability at the M point.

7. ±s-wave Scenario in Iron-based Superconductors: Thermodynamics and Josephson Effects

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Since the discovery of new high-Tc superconductivity in LaFeAsO_{1-x}F_x [1], a tremendous number of studies on the materials have been uploaded on arXiv cond-mat and published. Among them, one of the most important issues is to identify Cooper pair symmetry, because the symmetry is deeply related to the superconductivity mechanism and crucial in designing the future application. So far, the ±s-wave pairing symmetry has been theoretically proposed as one of the candidates of the pairing symmetry in Fe-pnictide superconductors [2]. The ±s-wave symmetry means that the symmetry of pair functions on each Fermi surface is s-wave and the relative phase between them is π . In this paper, we firstly clarify that the ±s-wave symmetry explains the lack of the coherence peak and the low temperature power-law behavior in the nuclear magnetic relaxation rate with an assumed gap anisotropy [3]. This is consistent with the data of the temperature dependence of the penetration depth. Secondly, we show that the symmetry brings about a drastic and rich physics in the Josephson junction to the single-band superconductors [4]. The theory exhibits that the critical current, the Fraunhofer pattern, I-V characteristics etc. are drastically changed when the two s-wave gap amplitude is equal [4].

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±s-wave Scenario in Iron-based Superconductors: Thermodynamics and Josephson Effects

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1. Introduction

Superconducting Fe-based Layered Compounds

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Figure 1| Schematic crystal structure of LaOFeAs. Electron carriers generated by F-doping into oxygensites are injected into FeAs metallic layers as a result of the large energy offset between these two layers. We note that the carrier doping layer is spatially separated from the conduction layer.

Tc = 43 K

Multi-Gap Superconductor



Fig. 4: (Colour on-line) Three-dimensional plot of the superconducting-gap size (Δ) measured at 15K on the three observed FS sheets (shown at the bottom as an intensity plot) and their temperature evolutions (inset).

Introduction

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H. Ding, et al., Euro. Phys. Lett. 83, 47001 (2008)

$\mathsf{Ba}_{0.6}\mathsf{K}_{0.4}\mathsf{Fe}_2\mathsf{As}_2$

Experimental Evidence for Two Gaps



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NMR $1/T_1$: How to Obtain T³ far below T_c $g_{\uparrow\uparrow}(\boldsymbol{k}_{\mathrm{F}},\mathrm{i}\omega_n) = \frac{\omega_n}{\sqrt{\omega_n^2 + |\Delta(\boldsymbol{k}_{\mathrm{F}})|^2}},$ A Linear Like DOS "dos_dwave.dat" "dos_swave.dat" 100 LaFeAsO_{0.7} ³⁷Fe-NMR (H~ 6.3T) ³⁷Fe-NMR (H~11.97 10 з 1/T₁ (sec⁻¹) 2 0.1 -0.5 0.5 0.01 Anisotropic S-wave Scenario 1E-3 10 100 (Impurity Scenario) T (K) Terasaki et al.,arXiv:0809.5155

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High-T_c Cuprate Superconductors

Tri-crystal Junction



High-T_c Fe-based Superconductors

Josephson Junction (SIS)



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Simple Microscopic Theory



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Physical Analogy

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \frac{s_{\text{L}}}{8\pi\mu^{2}} \left(A_{\text{L}}^{0} + \frac{\hbar}{e^{*}} \partial_{t} \varphi_{\text{s}} \right)^{2} + \sum_{l=1}^{2} \frac{s_{\text{R}}}{8\pi\mu_{l}^{2}} \left(A_{\text{R}}^{0} + \frac{\hbar}{e^{*}} \partial_{t} \varphi^{(l)} \right)^{2}$$
$$- \frac{s_{\text{L}}}{8\pi\lambda^{2}} \left(\frac{\hbar c}{e^{*}} \partial_{x} \varphi_{\text{s}} - A_{\text{L}}^{x} \right)^{2} - \sum_{l=1}^{2} \frac{s_{\text{R}}}{8\pi\lambda^{(l)2}} \left(\frac{\hbar c}{e^{*}} \partial_{x} \varphi^{(l)} - A_{\text{R}}^{x} \right)^{2}$$
$$+ \frac{\hbar j_{1}}{e^{*}} \cos \theta^{(1)} + \frac{\hbar j_{2}}{e^{*}} \cos \theta^{(2)} + \frac{\hbar J_{\text{in}}}{e^{*}} \cos(\varphi^{(1)} - \varphi^{(2)}) + \frac{\epsilon d}{8\pi} E_{\text{RL}}^{z} - \frac{d}{8\pi} B_{\text{RL}}^{y^{2}}$$
$$+ \text{S-wave}$$
$$Coupled Oscillator$$
$$\neq \text{S-wave}$$

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Eigen-modes in Josephson Junction (SIS)



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Fraunhofer diffraction pattern in Josephson Junction (SIS) $\varphi = \pi \qquad I(H^y, \theta_0) = L_x \sin(\theta^0 + \bar{\eta}\pi/\eta_2) \left[(j_1 - j_2) \frac{2}{kL_x} \sin\frac{kL_x}{2} \right]$ ----- diffraction pattern completely disappears $j_1 = j_2$ when $j_2/j_1 = 1.0$ $j_2/j_1 = 0.7$ $j_2/j_1 = 0.5$ ------The maximum value drastically small 1 ``Diffraction Cancel" $I_{\rm max}/I_0$ 0.5 0 3 -1 0 -3 -2 Φ/Φ_0 $i_1 = i_2$ $\sin \theta^{(2)}$ $\sin \theta^{i}$

4, Summary & Conclusion

1, Anisotropic ±s-wave scenario well explains both **NMR & superfluid density**.

2, ±s-wave scenario predicts **anomalous Josephson effects** in S(2-band)IS(1-band) Junction

8. Investigation of Superconductivity in Iron-Selenide with Single Crystals and Epitaxial Thin Films

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In order to gain more insight into the origin of superconductivity in the infinite-layer Fe_{1+x}Se system, we have developed processes to grow single crystals and epitaxial thin films. Single crystals of nominal composition Fe_{1.14}Se and Fe_{1.18}SeMn_{0.1} have been grown from KCl solutions. Crystals measuring 2-3 mm across and 0.1-0.3 mm thick grow with hexagonal plate like habit. Powder x-ray diffraction (XRD) measurements show that the plate side of the crystal is along the (101) face of the tetragonal α -FeSe. The as grown crystals show a superconducting transition T_c at 8 K from both DC magnetization and resistive measurements. Specific heat measurements also confirm bulk superconductivity in these crystals. On the other hand α -phase Fe_{1+x}(Se_{1-y}Te_y) thin films have been fabricated by pulsed laser deposition on MgO substrate. All $Fe_{1+x}(Se_{1-y}Te_y)$ films have c-axis preferred orientation and smooth surface morphology. Based on the energy-dispersive X-ray (EDX) chemical analysis, the as grown films reveal Se-rich characteristic. The superconducting transition temperatures of films are suppressed, in comparison with the bulk samples, which can be attributed to Se-rich and the substrate effect. More detailed studies with 3d transition metals doping on the crystals $(T_{M0,1}Fe_{0,9})_{1,18}$ Se show that Mn-doping does not affect superconductivity, whereas Cu-doping completely suppresses superconductivity. Detailed x-ray structural studies support that the existence of a low temperature structural distortion in this class of material is essential for the occurrence of superconductivity.

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Preparation of Bulk FeSe_{1-x}

Processes worked out by T.M. McQueen et. al. (arXiv:0811.1613v1 2008)

1.Samples were prepared from freshly polished iron pieces and selenium shot:

2.Samples are sealed under vacuum in silica tubes with a piece of carbon;

3.Temperature was raised and held at 750 °C and then increased to 1075 °C for extra three days, followed by a fast decrease to 420 °C and held for two days before quenched in -13 °C brine.

4. The samples were annealed at various temperatures $(300 \sim 500 \degree C)$ for two days followed by quenching in - 13°C brine.



- 1. Stoichiometriy weights of Fe and Se powders were mixed with KCI to give a FeSe, (x=0-0.15) to KCI ratio of 1.5:10.
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5. Later the crucible was cooled to room temperature while annealing at 400 °C for 20-25 hours before cooling to room temperature.



Low magnification view of $FeSe_{0.85}$ crystal in TEM. Three electron diffraction patterns are shown with their corresponded area of interests. Note that the patterns were taken at a different magnification where the image would suffer a certain degree of rotation. Weak spots in the right zone-axis pattern are from double diffraction. Only tetragonal-FeSe phase was observed in the above three thin areas.



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Thin Film by PLD

- . Use targets of roughly 1"×8mm
- 2. Thin films were deposited in a vacuum chamber (~10⁻⁵ Torr) using a KrF (λ = 248 nm) excimer laser
- 3. The power density of focused laser on the target is $5\sim 6 \text{ J/cm}^2$, and the repetition rate is 2 Hz.
- 4. The target-substrate distance is near 50 mm.
- 5. The substrate temperature of deposition is varied from 250 C to 500 C.
- The deposition rate of thin film is about 0.5Å/shot.
 In addition.
- the surfaces of targets were polished before each deposition to improve the reproducibility.

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4-fold symmetry are observed, which is 45 rotated to each other. The orientation of major domain is 45 rotated related to the a-axis of substrate.





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Temperature dependence of (Cp-Cph)/T in a magnetic field of 0 G. The phonon contribution Cph is $0.586T^3$ -1.39E- $4T^3$. A dotted line represents constant electronic specific heat 7.45 mJ/mol-K² for comparison.





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Oppositely, the shirking of a axis is obviously retarding as the phase transition occurring at 105 K.





The sketchs for distortion of FeSe ,FeSe ,Te $_{1-x}$, FeSe ,S $_{1-x}$ and FeTe



First neighbors J_{f} , frustrated

Strong J₂ : AF

Caused by the shrinking ratios are different on a b axis, the symmetry along the (110) axis destroy after distortion occurred. This means the anti-ferromagnetic ordering might be break in and coherence length of spin fluctuation would be shorter than one of FeSe.

The symmetry along the (110) axis does not destroy and fluctuation of spin at low temperature might still exist.

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Table X. The critical temperature ofsuperconducting, phase transition temperature andgamma angle for iron selenide

	Тс	Phase transition	**Gamma angle (°)	
		temperature	at 6 K	
FeSe _{0.88}	8.? K	~105K	90.279	
FeTe	none	~80K *	90	
$\mathrm{Fe}(\mathrm{Se}_{0.5}\mathrm{Te}_{0.5})$	15.2 K	~100K	90.122	
(FeMn _{0.1})Se	11.2 K	~85K	90.166	
(FeCu _{0.1})Se	none	none	90	

Summary

- Single crystal and oriented thin films can be prepared, but quality still need improvement
- Anisotropic magnetic susceptibility in normal state is observed
- A low temperature distortion from tetragonal phase (P4/mmm) to triclinic phase (P-1) phase is essential for superconductivity
 - = FeSe $-\gamma$ -angle increases from 90° to about 90.3° at ~ 105K; Te correlates well with inverse of c-lattice parameter (1/c)
 - Te-doping has highest Tc with largest γ : Te-doping enhances H_{c2} and Tc due to more 2D charcteristics: pressures effect on Tc of Te-doped sample is much larger than that of Fe-Se
 - 3d-metal doping only Mn sustains superconductivity: the other dopants either suppress low-T structural distortion (Cu-doping) or do not form alpha-phase
- Unusual pressure induced reversible amorphization of FeSe(Te) is observed

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