## 磁性系统的数值计算模拟研究 万贤纲 (Xiangang Wan) 南京大学物理学院

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➢ J in Kondo System

≻ J in HTC

> J in 4*f* Ferromagnetic insulator

➤ DM interaction

## **Magnetic Exchange interaction**

≻Magnetic materials is very useful

Obtain a quantitative theory is important. Open new opportunities in computational design of new magnetic materials.

> provide conclusive theoretical insights to various contributions to magnetic exchange interactions.  $H = f \Theta_i \cup B = J_{ii}S_iS_i$ 

$$H \square f \bigcirc_i \bigcirc \square \stackrel{\frown}{\Longrightarrow} J_{ij} S_i S_j$$

对称性分析

## 群论:

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自旋哈密顿写为:  

$$H_S = \sum_{ij} (J_{ij}\vec{S}_i \cdot \vec{S}_j + \vec{D} \cdot (\vec{S}_i \times \vec{S}_j) + S_i^{\alpha}\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}S_j^{\beta})$$

### Spin-orbital coupling (SOC)

$$H \blacksquare O_{ij} c_i c_j = h. c. \cup = Un_i n_i = H. S$$

## 对称性分析

磁模型写成:

$$\begin{split} \hat{H} &= \sum_{ls,l's'} J_{ij}(\vec{R}_{l} + \vec{\tau}_{s}, \vec{R}_{l'} + \vec{\tau}_{s'}) \hat{S}_{i}(\vec{R}_{l} + \vec{\tau}_{s}) \hat{S}_{j}(\vec{R}_{l'} + \vec{\tau}_{s'}), \\ \{\alpha \,|\,\vec{t}\,\}^{+} \hat{H}\{\alpha \,|\,\vec{t}\,\} &= \hat{H}, \\ \{\alpha \,|\,\vec{t}\,\}^{+} \hat{H}\{\alpha \,|\,\vec{t}\,\} &= \sum_{ls,l's'} J_{ij}(\vec{R}_{l} + \vec{\tau}_{s}, \vec{R}_{l'} + \vec{\tau}_{s'})[\{\alpha \,|\,\vec{t}\,\}^{+} \hat{S}_{i}(\vec{R}_{l} + \vec{\tau}_{s})\{\alpha \,|\,\vec{t}\,\}][\{\alpha \,|\,\vec{t}\,\}^{+} \hat{S}_{j}(\vec{R}_{l'} + \vec{\tau}_{s'})\{\alpha \,|\,\vec{t}\,\}] \\ \left\{ \{\alpha \,|\,\vec{t}\,\}^{+} \hat{S}_{i}(\vec{R}_{l} + \vec{\tau}_{s})\{\alpha \,|\,\vec{t}\,\} &= R(\alpha)_{ii'} \hat{S}_{i'}(\{\alpha \,|\,\vec{t}\,\}^{-1}(\vec{R}_{l} + \vec{\tau}_{s})), \\ \{\alpha \,|\,\vec{t}\,\}^{+} \hat{S}_{j}(\vec{R}_{l'} + \vec{\tau}_{s'})\{\alpha \,|\,\vec{t}\,\} &= R(\alpha)_{jj'} \hat{S}_{j'}(\{\alpha \,|\,\vec{t}\,\}^{-1}(\vec{R}_{l} + \vec{\tau}_{s})), \\ \{\beta \,\exists\,\}\,] T \,\forall J \,\text{thy twe there is a state of the st$$

关键是 $\{\alpha | \tilde{t}\}$ 也是算符,只对 $\hat{H}$ 和 $\hat{S}$ 操作。

Sr<sub>8</sub>CaRe<sub>3</sub>Cu<sub>4</sub>O<sub>24</sub> discovered under high pressure and high temperature. (Takayama-Muromachi *et al.*, JSSC175, 366 (2003))



#### Experiment

This material is insulator, shows ferromagnetic behavior at room temperature, and the spontaneous magnetization at T=0 is about  $0.95\mu_{B}/f.u$  with Tc≈440K.



Fig. 6. The magnetization curves at various temperatures of the Ca-containing phase. The numbers shown indicate measuring temperatures in K.



Fig. 7. Spontaneous magnetization  $M_s$  of the Ca-containing phase. The solid line indicates high-temperature-magnetization data at 1 kOe measured by VSM.

## **Motivation**

- 1. The FM in cuprate is very rare.
- 2. The T<sub>c</sub> of known FM cuprate is very low  $La_4Ba_2Cu_2O_{10} \longrightarrow 5 K$   $K_2CuF_4 \longrightarrow 6.5K$ SeCuO<sub>3</sub>  $\longrightarrow 26K$
- 3. Why  $T_c$  is so high

#### Orbital Order and Ferrimagnetic Properties of Sr<sub>8</sub>CaRe<sub>3</sub>Cu<sub>4</sub>O<sub>24</sub>





FIG. 3 (color). Projected density of state with Fermi energy at zero. (a) For minority spin (spin down) d orbital of Cu1. (b) For minority spin (spin up) d orbital of Cu2.

FIG. 2. Contours for charge density in the (010) plane with interval  $0.03e/bohr^3$ . (a) Total charge density. (b) Spin density (spin-up charge density minus spin-down charge density). The dotted lines are negative contours.

#### **Calculate J by Energy Mapping Scheme**





## **Energy Mapping Method**

Heisenberg model H  $I_{ij}S_i \gtrsim S_j$ 

- ➢ In Heisenberg model is fine!
- ➢ In LDA is NOT OK

only Stoner-excitation is small

## **Calculate J**





the interatomic exchange constants can give by:

 $J_{\mathcal{R}}^{\mathcal{Q}} \overset{\mathcal{Q}}{\mathcal{Q}}^{\mathsf{A}} \overset{\mathsf{f}_{kj} \overset{\mathcal{A}_{kij}}{\mathcal{A}_{kj}}}{\mathcal{A}_{kij}} \overset{\mathcal{A}_{kij}}{\mathcal{A}_{kij}} \overset{\mathcal{A}_{kij}}{\mathcal{A}_{kij}}} \overset{\mathcal{A}_{kij}}{\mathcal{A}_{kij}} \overset{\mathcal{A}$ 

Wan, Yin, Savrasov, PRL 97, 266403 (2006)

是基态性质,不需要"真正的"旋转磁矩 <sup>14</sup>

## **Shift Orbital in band structure** calculation

 $H^{\text{OSEP}} = H^0_{\text{KS}} + |inlm\sigma\rangle\langle inlm\sigma|V_{\text{ext}}$ 



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## 3d Mott Insulator Systems

#### > MnO, FeO, CoO, NiO

(Antiferromagnetic insulator with energy gap of a few eV and Neel temperature  $T_N$  of a few hundred K.)

#### > LDA+U/LDA+DMFT

3*d* electrons of transition metal elements are strongly correlated thus requiring DMFT. *s* and *p* electrons are weakly correlated and described by LDA.

Coulomb interaction U and Hund's exchange J were obtained by the constrained LDA calculation (Anisimov et al. (1991))

## **Magnetic Properties**

	LSDA	LDA+U	Hubbard I	Cluster ED	Exp.
MnO	423	240	180	172	$122^a$
FeO	_	344	297	211	$198^{a}$
CoO	_	407	356	300	$291^a$
NiO	965	603	542	519	$523^{a}$
$\mathrm{CaCuO}_2$	_	765	698	602	$537^{b}$

Neel Temperature

	LSDA	LDA + U	Hubbard I	Cluster ED	Experiment
MnO	178.0	103.3	86.3	81.5	49.5 <sup>a</sup>
FeO		94.9	74.5	59.1	51.0 <sup>b</sup>
CoO		152.8	133.5	118.3	112.0 <sup>c</sup>

Spin Wave velocity (in meV Å) along (100) direction

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## Why T<sub>N</sub> decrease from NiO to MnO

From MnO to NiO, moment increase. So similar interatomic exchange parameters J, will make the T<sub>N</sub> decrease instead of increase.

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(1) J will change significantly due to the change in lattice parameter. (bond become strong)

(2) Due to the quantum nature of moment, a factor of  $S(S+1)/S^2$  will appear. This also have important effect on  $T_N$ . (Quantum effect)

(3) Occupation affect. ( $e_g \rightarrow 180^0, t_{2g} \rightarrow 90^0$ )

### **Spin-wave dispersion of NiO**





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## **Magnetic behavior of metallic Plutonium**

Naively one expects Pu f—shell filled with 5 electrons carries a total (spin+orbital) momentum

- ≻LDA, GGA and LDA+U→local magnetic moment
- Experimentally > none of the six Pu crystallographic allotropes show local moment formation:

## **Pu alloy**

➢Kondo effect screen the magnetic moment.
Shim *et al.*, *Nature* (2007)

➢ one can try to increase Pu atomic volume in order to reduce the effect of hybridization and thus to decrease the value of the Kondo coupling  $J_K$ .

➢ Doping Am

#### **Calculating Kondo Exchange Energy**

Minimal Hamiltonian for heavy fermion superconductors – Kondo lattice



Estimates of  $T_{K}$  and  $J_{K}$  can be obtained from LDA+DMFT calculations

$$\Delta_f(\omega) = \sum_k \frac{|V_f(k)|^2}{\omega - t(k)} \qquad J_K N(0) \approx \operatorname{Im} \Delta_f(0) (-\frac{1}{\varepsilon_f} + \frac{1}{\varepsilon_f} + U)$$

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#### Scaling Kondo Exchange by Pressure or Doping

Material design: Once Kondo exchange  $J_K$  and local moment interaction  $(J_{RKKY})$  are computed one can apply pressure or doping.



**Searching for magnetism in Plutonium:** 

- \* Pu is non magnetic: f<sup>5</sup> + Kondo? (Shim, Nature 2007), f<sup>6</sup> (Shick, PRB 2006)
- \* Mixing with Am expands the lattice up to 20%, can Pu moment be seen?

#### **J**<sub>K</sub> vs **J**<sub>RKKY</sub> in **Pu**<sub>1-x</sub>**Am**<sub>x</sub>



#### $J_K > J_{RKKY}$ for $0.0 \le x \le 0.5$

- No moment due to Kondo screening
- No quantum criticality and superconductivity

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## Pu<sub>1-x</sub>Am<sub>x</sub>

- →  $J_K$  increases with x which is attributed to the details in the behavior of the hybridization function near the Fermi level.
- J<sub>RKKY</sub> is found to decrease as interatomic distances get larger with doping.
- Robust Kondo effect as the origin of nonmagnetic behavior reported in recent experiments on this system.

Kondo effect should be robust against the increase in interatomic spacing of this alloy.



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Our numerical result: J1=108.8, J2=-12.0 and J3=-0.2 meV.

#### **Experimental results:**

Two-magnon Raman scattering  $\rightarrow J1=116$  meV (Lyons et al., PRB 37, 2353) Early neutron scattering  $\rightarrow J1=130$  meV.

#### **Other theoretical results:**

J1=105 meV (Martin and Illas, PRL 1997)

J1=140 meV (Moreira et al., PRL 2006; Munoz et al., PRL 2000)

## **Spin Wave**

- >S=1/2, 2D $\rightarrow$ large quantum fluctuation
- Renormalization is necessary for the spin-wave excitation
- Linear spin-wave theory and consider the quantum renormalization  $Z_c=1.18$ . (*Igarashi, PRB (1992)*)

$$E_q = 2Z_c \sqrt{A_q^2 - B_q^2}, \qquad A_q = J_1 - J_2 [1 - \cos(2\pi q_x)\cos(2\pi q_y)] \\ -J_3 (1 - \frac{1}{2} [\cos(4\pi q_x) + \cos(4\pi q_y)])$$

$$B_q = \frac{1}{2} J_1 [\cos(2\pi q_x) + \cos(2\pi q_y)]$$

**Spin Wave for La<sub>2</sub>CuO<sub>4</sub>** 



The discrepancy around the zone boundary may be due to the fourparticle cyclic exchange interaction.

(Toader et al., PRL 2005; Moreira et al., PRL 2006)

## J of Single-layer system

	$T_c$	$J_1$	$J_2$	$J_3$
$\mathrm{CaCuO}_2$	_	110.0	-10.1	3.8
${\rm Tl_2Ba_2CuO_6}$	97	109.1	-10.9	3.98
${ m HgBa_2CuO_4}$	94	108.91	-11.1	3.3
$\rm La_2CuO_4$	42	108.8	-12.0	-0.2
Sr2CuO2Cl2	28	99.2	-8.2	1.6



Experiment shows the J1 in  $Sr_2CuO_2Cl_2$  is about 10 meV smaller than that of  $La_2CuO_4$ .

#### We reproduce this experimental trend.

J1, J2 is almost not material-dependent. J3 is too weak to explain the  $T_c$ -difference.

	$T_c$	$J_1$	$J_2$	$J_3$
${\rm HgBa_2CaCu_2O_6}$	128	110.4	-11.9	2.9
$\mathrm{Tl_2Ba_2Cu_2O_8}$	125	108.7	-10.7	2.5
YBa <sub>2</sub> Cu <sub>3</sub> O <sub>6</sub>	90	93.0	-4.7	2.4

- We reproduce the experimental trend for La<sub>2</sub>CuO<sub>4</sub>, Sr<sub>2</sub>CuO<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and YBa<sub>2</sub>Cu<sub>3</sub>O<sub>6</sub>.
- Undoped HTC have similar J1, although their T<sub>c</sub> vary from 28 K to 128 K.
- J2 is also similar for different compounds, show FM behavior do not induce the spin fluctuation.
- ➢ J3 induce a weak spin-fluctuation but may not response for the difference of Tc.

## **Effect of Apical Oxygen**

Apical oxygen has significantly effect on Tc. (*Pavarini et al*, *PRL* (2001))

TABLE II. The calculated exchange interaction in La<sub>2</sub>CuO<sub>4</sub>, with different  $d_A$ , where  $d_A$  is the distance between apical oxygen and Cu atom.  $d_A$  is in Å and J is in meV.

$d_A$	$J_1$	$J_2$	$J_3$
2.5	111.1	-12.4	-0.4
2.6	112.9	-13.1	0.1
2.7	114.2	-13.8	1.2
2.8	116.0	-14.6	2.1

	$N_{layers}$	$T_c$	$J_1$	$J_2$	$J_3$
$CaCuO_2$	1	_	110.0	-10.1	3.8
$\rm Tl_2Ba_2CuO_6$	1	97	109.1	-10.9	4.0
${\rm HgBa_2CuO_4}$	1	94	108.9	-11.1	3.3
$La_2CuO_4$	1	42	108.8	-12.0	-0.2
$\mathrm{Sr}_{2}\mathrm{CuO}_{2}\mathrm{Cl}_{2}$	1	28	99.2	-8.2	1.6
${\rm HgBa_2CaCu_2O_6}$	2	128	110.4	-11.9	2.9
$\rm Tl_2Ba_2Cu_2O_8$	2	125	108.7	-10.7	2.5
$YBa_2Cu_3O_6$	2	90	93.0	-4.7	2.4
${\rm HgBa_2Ca_2Cu_3O_8}$	3	135	109.9	-10.1	2.8



#### undoped HTC compounds have similar J1

J2 is FM, one order magnitude smaller than J1 J3 is AFM and induce spin fluctuation



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## **Continue attention more than 50 years**

- EuX- the only know example of FM Heisenberg model in nature
- ➤ Doping resulting in 100% conduction spin polarization → even stronger colossal magnetoresistance than the manganites (Steeneken et al., PRL 2002)
- ≻ Can been integrated with silicon and GaN

(Schmehl et al., Nature Materials 2007)

Very recently strain-induced ferroelectricity had been predicted (Spaldin et al., PRL 2010)

### **Debate about the exchange mechanism**

- Despite tremendous amount of efforts have been devoted to these FM semiconductor, there still is several controversy about the magnetic properties
- 1) The effect of p-electron in anion





- 2) Pressure and epitaxial strain can vary the  $T_c$  of EuX significantly.
- 3)  $T_C$  can be enhanced by electronic doping. But the exact reason is still unknown 38

### **Debate about effect of p-electron in anion**

- Recently, Wannier function analysis -> considerable 4f-p hybridization, suggest 4f-p-4f superexchange (Kunes, Ku, Pickett, 2005)







x-ray absorption spectroscopy indicates that the anion p states plays only minor role *N.M. Souza-Neto, PRL 2009* 

## Debate about pressure affect





Abd-Elmeguid, PRB 1990

Goncharenko, PRL 1998

#### electronic collapse?

High pressure  $\rightarrow 4f^7 \rightarrow 4f^6$ ,  $f^6 - J = 0$ ?

## Results

- Reproduce the band structure and the magnetic moment.
- Reproduce the conduction band exchange splitting (about 0.6 eV).
- Murnaghan equation of state
- ➤Enthalpy →pressure-induced phase transition

TABLE I: Theoretical and experimental  $B_0$ , B' and  $P_c$ . The experimental value is in the parentheses.

	EuO	EuS	EuSe	EuTe
$B_0$	$105~(114^a)$	$61~(61^b)$	$53~(52^{b})$	$43~(40^{b})$
В,	$3.2 \ (2.8^a)$	2.8	2.8	2.8(??)
$P_c$	$48~(47^a)$	$26~(22^b)$	$17~(15^{b})$	$14 \ (11^b)$

## **Exchange interaction**

#### J is short range. Mean-field approximation $\rightarrow$ T<sub>c</sub>

TABLE II: Exchange interactions and magnetic transition temperature for EuX (X=O, S, Se and Te).  $J_1$  and  $J_2$  are the nearest neighbor and second nearest neighbor exchange coupling. The negative sign denotes the Neel temperature The unit is K.

		EuO	EuS	EuSe	EuTe
Our results	J1	0.60	0.12	0.10	-0.03
	J2	0.03	-0.10	-0.18	-0.24
Thermodynamic [29]	J1	0.67	0.19	0.13	0.02
	J2	-0.06	-0.08	-0.12	-0.16
Neutron Scattering[25]	J1	0.61	0.24		
	J2	0.12	-0.12		
Our results	$T_c$	81.1	19.6	-5.9	-19.8
Experimental data [25]	$T_c$	69.3	16.6	-7.1	-12.0

## **Spin wave dispersion of EuO**

Circle is experimental (polycrystalline)



Linear spin-wave theory

## Magnetic Mechanism Effect of p Band

## LSDA+Hub1 vs LDA+Hub1

- ➢ Main different in LDA+H and LSDA+H is the spin-splitting in the conduction band (ie. 5*d* and 6*s* band of Eu).
- > LDA+H can reproduce the spin-splitting of pband of anion  $\rightarrow$  overlap between Eu-4f and panion is not omitable.

➢ Numerical J from LDA+Hub1 is very small→ 4f-p-4f super-exchange can be ignored.

## **Temperature dependent band EuO**



Experimental spin splitting of O-2p is about 0.25 eV at 5K

Temperature induced 4f shift at Gamma-point and X-point is different.

We reproduce the experimental Momentum-Dependent band shift

- 1) Spin-splitting reduced with increasing temperature
- 2) 4f band has a different temperature-induced band-shift

## **Constrained orbital calculation**

 $\succ$  We shift the orbital level to see the effect

> J is very sensitive to the 5d-shift

> J is also dependent on the 6s-shift



➢ J is almost not depend on p-band shift, NO 4*f*-5*d*-2*p* 

J is mainly due to 4f-5d and 4f-6s indirect exchange. p-band of anion is not participate in, despite the considerable 4f-2p hybridization.



## The affect of pressure

Enhance the hopping between 5d-4f, enlarge the crystal splitting of  $5d \rightarrow$  enlarge the exchange interaction J

Pressure → band-gap close, but the J is still short, so RKKY is not response for this decreasing



## The affect of pressure

The 4f occupation from LDA+H is not change too much, therefore  $f^7 \rightarrow f^6$  transition is not like.

 $\triangleright$  Pressure will enhance J<sub>k</sub> this is the reason.

## **Competition between J and J**<sub>k</sub>



FIG. 3: Pressure dependence of magnetic transition temperature of EuO experimental (triangle)[30], theoretical(circles) as well as Pressure dependence of Kondo coupling  $J_K$ .

$$J_{K} = \frac{\operatorname{Tr}\{\operatorname{Im} \Delta(0)\}}{\pi N_{d} N(0)} \frac{U}{\epsilon_{f}(\epsilon_{f} + U)}$$



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#### Metamagnetism in La<sub>2</sub>CuO<sub>4</sub>

S-W. Cheong, J. D. Thompson, and Z. Fisk Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, New Mexico 87545 (Received 19 September 1988)

实验 
$$\theta = \frac{D}{2J} = \frac{M_s(0)}{g\mu_B S}$$
  $\theta = 3.9 \times 10^{-3}$ 

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计算

$$\theta = \frac{\left|\sum_{j} \vec{D}_{1j}\right|}{2\sum_{j} J_{1j}} = 1.1 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$\begin{split} J^{\alpha\beta}_{\tau R\tau' R'} &= \sum_{\mathbf{q}} \sum_{\mathbf{k}jj'} \frac{f_{\mathbf{k}j} - f_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}j'}}{\epsilon_{\mathbf{k}j} - \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}j'}} \langle \psi_{\mathbf{k}j} | [\sigma \times \mathbf{B}_{\tau}]_{\alpha} | \psi_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}j'} \rangle \\ &\times \langle \psi_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}j'} | [\sigma \times \mathbf{B}_{\tau'}]_{\beta} | \psi_{\mathbf{k}j} \rangle e^{i\mathbf{q}\cdot(R-R')}, \end{split}$$

## SO small→Dzyaloshinsky-Moriya SO large→B. Coqblin and J.R. Schrieffer, Phys. Rev. 185, 847 (1969).





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2001

Continuous metal-insulator transition in the pyrochlore Cd<sub>2</sub>Os<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>

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2002

Electronic structure of the pyrochlore metals Cd<sub>2</sub>Os<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> and Cd<sub>2</sub>Re<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>

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## Magnetic ground state for 5d Pyrochlore Iridates

 $A_2 Ir_2 O_7 (A=Y, 瀨系)$ **All-in/all-out nonlinear** tetrahedron



moment will rotation to 111 direction
It is the only stable configuration in calcul
J(q) is max at q=0
no Fermi surface nesting



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 $Nd_2Ir_2O_7$ ,

MAGNETISM

# Mobile metallic domain walls in an all-in-all-out magnetic insulator

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## All-in/all-out (Cd<sub>2</sub>Os<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>)

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#### Noncollinear Magnetism and Spin-Orbit Coupling in 5d Pyrochlore Oxide Cd<sub>2</sub>Os<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>

We investigate the electronic and magnetic properties of the pyrochlore oxide  $Cd_2Os_2O_7$  using the density-functional theory plus on-site repulsion (*U*) method, and depict the ground-state phase diagram with respect to *U*. We conclude that the all-in–all-out noncollinear magnetic order is stable in a wide range of *U*. We also show that the easy-axis anisotropy arising from the spin-orbit coupling plays a significant role in stabilizing the all-in–all-out magnetic order. A *pseudogap* was observed near the transition between

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#### Tetrahedral Magnetic Order and the Metal-Insulator Transition in the Pyrochlore Lattice of Cd<sub>2</sub>Os<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>

accompanied with any spatial symmetry breaking. We propose a noncollinear all-in-all-out spin arrangement on the tetrahedral network made of Os atoms. Based on this we suggest that the transition is not caused by the Slater mechanism as believed earlier but by an alternative mechanism related to the

### **Slater insulator?** NaOsO<sub>3</sub>

- 1) Despite its big value the SOC has only weak effect on the band structure and magnetic moment.
- 2) The electronic correlations alone cannot open the band gap, and the low-temperature phase of NaOsO<sub>3</sub> is not a Mott-type insulator.
- 3) The magnetic configuration has an important effect on the conductivity, and the ground state is a G-type AFM insulator.
- 4) magnetic ordering  $\rightarrow$  insulating behavior of NaOsO<sub>3</sub>.
- 5) 磁化率曲线要小心

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#### Magnetically Driven Metal-Insulator Transition in NaOsO<sub>3</sub>

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