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Ab initio Studies on Mechanism for Iron-based Superconductors

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1. Introduction

Ab initio Approach

2. Orbital Selective Mottness, Magnetism

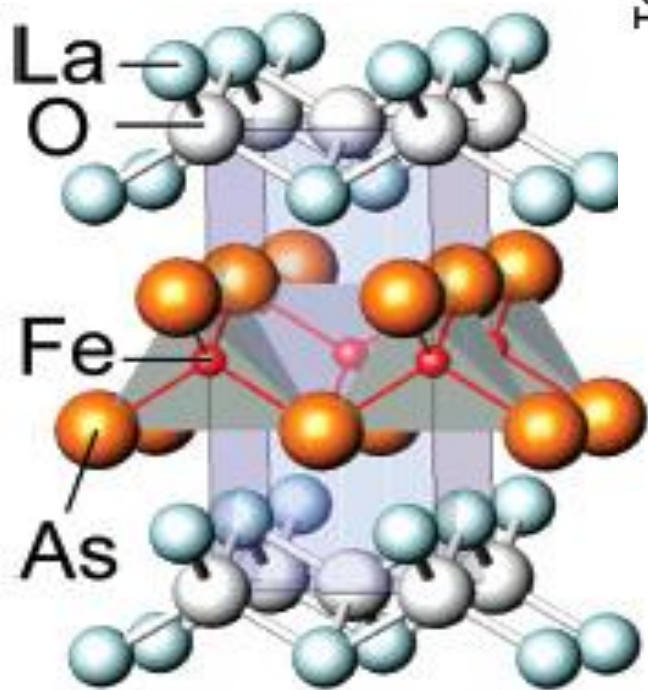
3. Phase Diagram, Superconducting Mechanism

4. Summary

Introduction

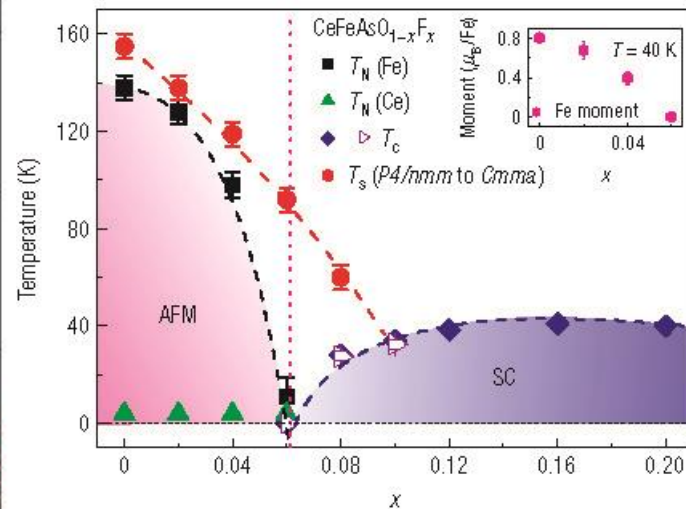
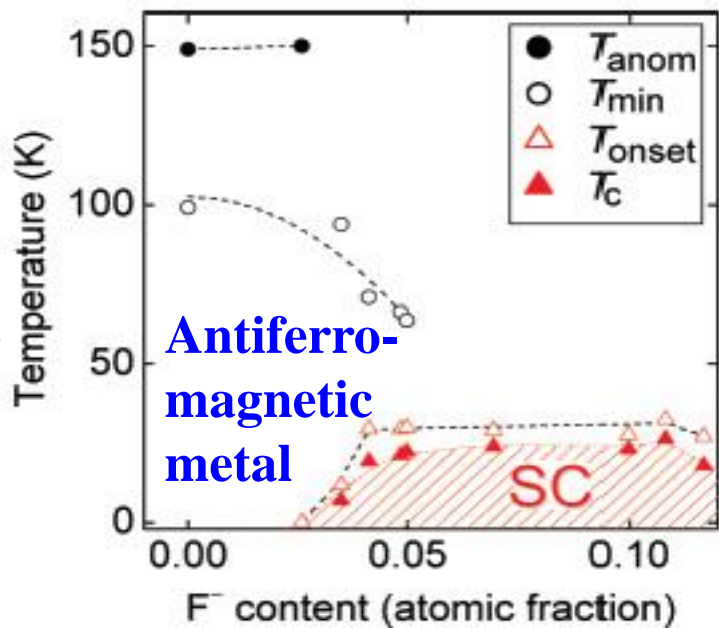
Experimental Discovery

$\text{LnFeAs}(\text{O}_{1-x}\text{F}_x)$
 $\text{Ln} = \text{La, Pr, Sm, ...}$

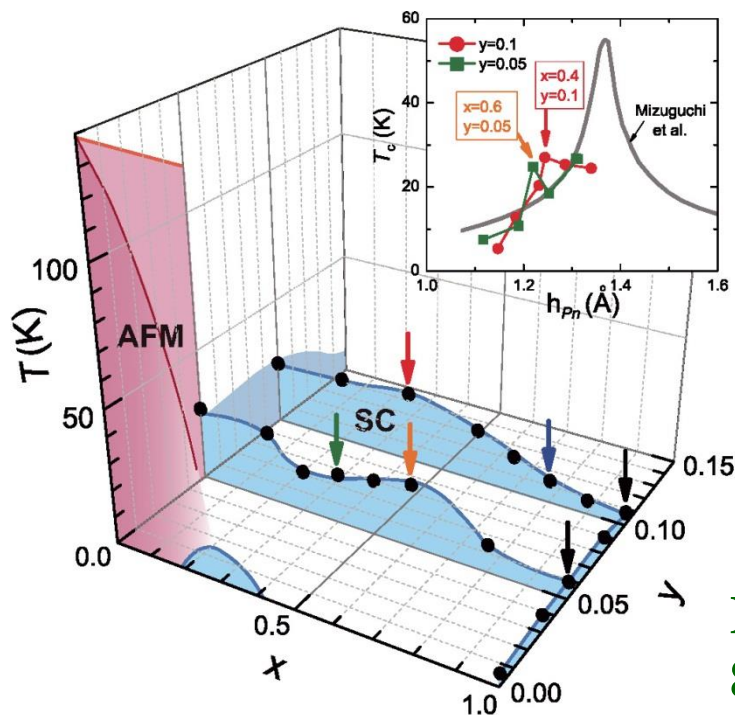


$T_c \sim 26\text{K}-55\text{K}$

Kamihara *et al*, JACS 130, 3296 (2008)



Zhao *et al*. Nat .Mat. 7,963 (2008)



Mukuda *et al*. PRB 89 (2013) 064511

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Global band structure

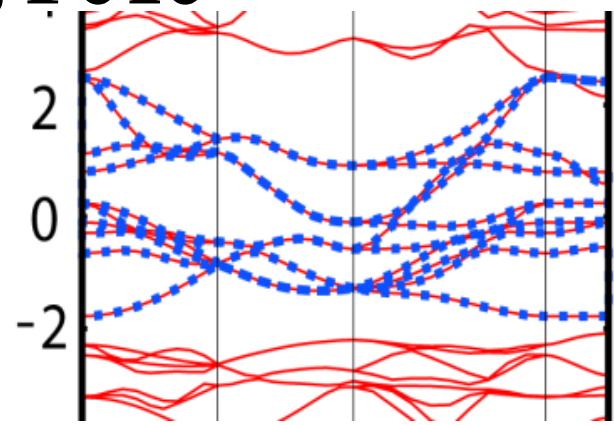
1111: LaFePO, LaFeAsO

122: BaFe₂As₂

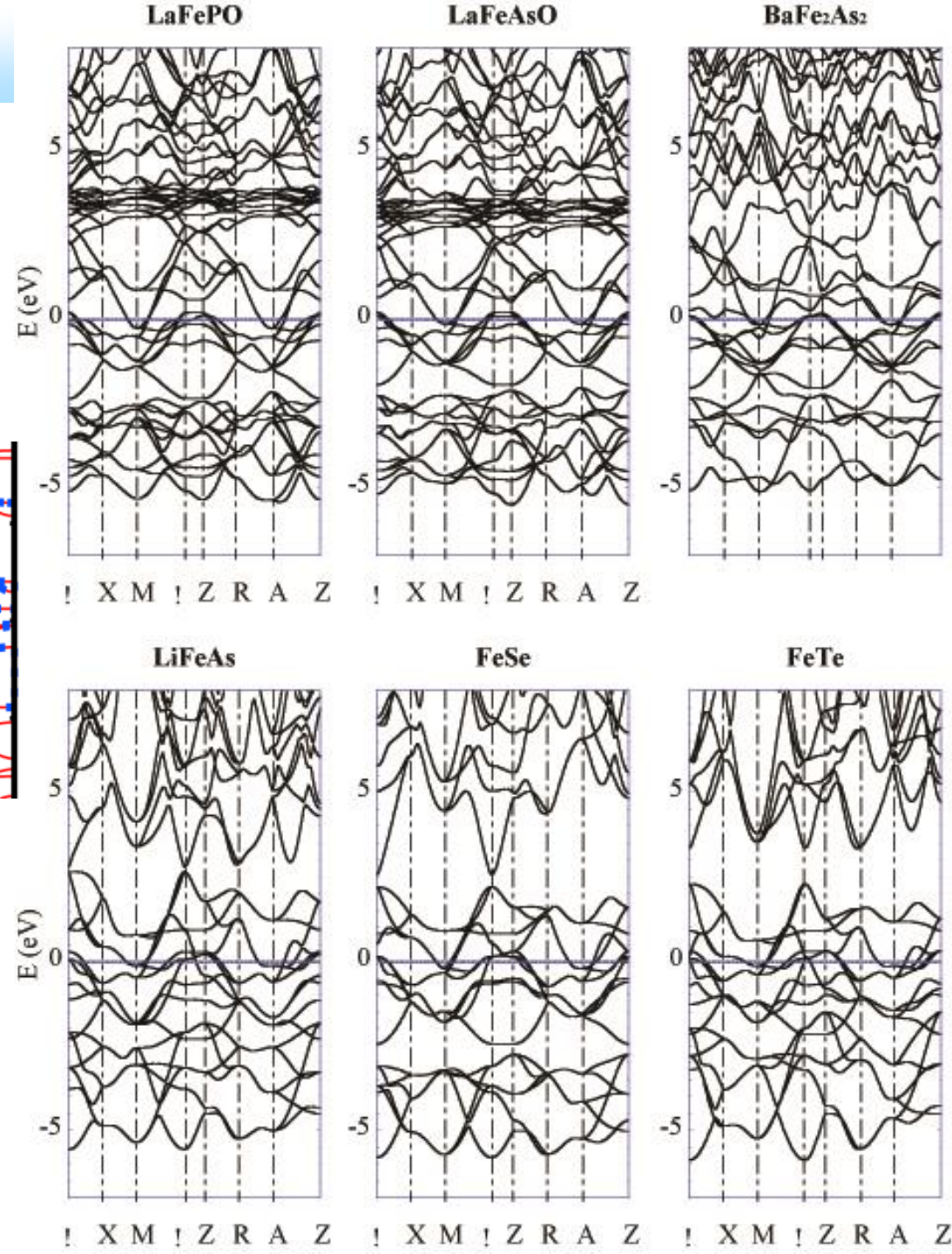
111: LiFeAs

11: FeSe, FeTe

Similar
Fe 3d
Bands



Bandwidth
~ 4.5 eV



Miyake, Nakamura, Arita, Imada
JPSJ 79 (2010) 044705

Diversity and strong family dependence

No AF order in LaFePO

Small AF ordered moment ($0.36\text{-}0.83\mu_B$ for LaFeAsO)

cf. LSDA overestimate the order ($\sim 2\mu_B$)

vs. large moment ($2.25\mu_B$ for FeTe)

Variation of AF ordered pattern

$(\pi,0)$ stripe in LaFeAsO vs. $(\pi/2, \pi/2)$ bicollinear in FeTe

Role of electron correlation

Variation of T_c

Diversity cannot be explained by band structure

Bad metallic behavior
small Drude weight
Keimer *et al.* Timusk *et al.*
Chen *et al.*

Unconventional T_1

What controls the material dependence?

First Principles Approach

downfolding;
Fe 3d 5 band models
(*d* model)

dimensional
downfolding

→ 2D effective model

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_0 + \mathcal{H}_{\text{int}},$$

$$\mathcal{H}_0 = \sum_{\sigma} \sum_{i,j} \sum_{\nu,\mu} t_{i,j,\nu,\mu} c_{i,\nu,\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{j,\mu,\sigma},$$

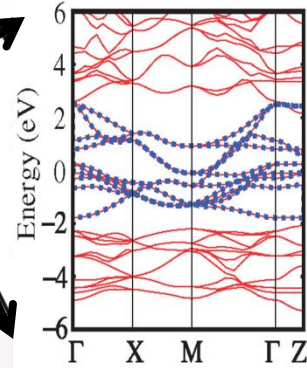
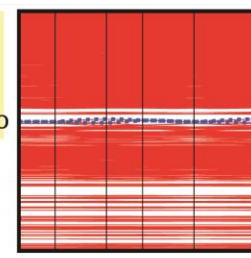
$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{int}} = \mathcal{H}_{\text{on-site}} + \mathcal{H}_{\text{off-site}}.$$

Review: Imada, Miyake:
J. Phys. Soc. Jpn. 79 (2010) 112001

1. Global electronic structure by DFT.

far from Fermi level

tens eV



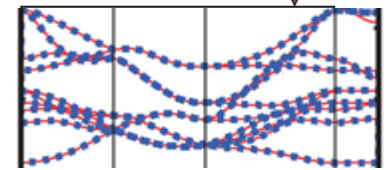
2. downfolding

constrained RPA

- (1) Screened Coulomb interaction
- (2) Self-energy

Low-energy effective Hamiltonian

1/10-1/100 eV



target bands

3. Low-energy solver

variational Monte Carlo (VMC),
path-integral renormalization group (PIRG),
(cluster) dynamical mean-field theory (DMFT),
.....

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{on-site}} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\sigma,\sigma'} \sum_i \sum_{\nu,\mu} \left\{ U_{i,i,\mu,\nu} c_{i,\nu,\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{i,\mu,\sigma'}^{\dagger} c_{i,\mu,\sigma'} c_{i\nu,\sigma} \right. \\ \left. + J_{i,i,\mu,\nu} (c_{i,\nu,\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{i,\mu,\sigma'}^{\dagger} c_{i,\nu,\sigma'} c_{i,\mu,\sigma} \right. \\ \left. + c_{i,\nu,\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{i,\nu,\sigma'}^{\dagger} c_{i,\mu,\sigma'} c_{i,\mu,\sigma}) \right\},$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{\text{off-site}} = V_{nn} \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle, \nu, \mu} n_{i\nu} n_{j\mu} + V_{nnn} \sum_{\langle\langle k,l \rangle\rangle, \nu, \mu} n_{k\nu} n_{l\mu}$$

Ab initio derivation of U by constrained RPA

	d model			dp/dpp model		
	\bar{U} (eV)	\bar{v} (eV)	\bar{U}/\bar{v}	\bar{U} (eV)	\bar{v} (eV)	\bar{U}/\bar{v}
LaFePO	2.47	14.15	0.174	4.13	18.96	0.218
LaFeAsO	2.53	14.85	0.171	4.23	19.46	0.217
BaFe ₂ As ₂	2.80	15.59	0.180	5.24	20.38	0.257
LiFeAs	3.15	15.82	0.199	5.94	20.35	0.292
FeSe	4.24	17.53	0.242	7.21	21.37	0.337
FeTe	3.41	16.89	0.202	6.25	20.90	0.299

U/t : d model

LaFePO **8**

LaFeAsO **9**

FeTe **11**

FeSe **14**



smaller size of Wannier

⇒ larger bare Coulomb

smaller covalency

⇒ poor screening

$$|\psi\rangle = \mathcal{P}_J \mathcal{P}_{\text{d-h}}^{\text{ex.}} \mathcal{P}_G \mathcal{L}^{S=0} |\phi_{\text{pair}}\rangle$$

$$|\phi_{\text{pair}}\rangle = \left[\sum_{i,j} f_{ij} c_{i\uparrow}^\dagger c_{j\downarrow}^\dagger \right]^{N/2} |0\rangle$$

f_{ij} : pair-dependent variational parameter

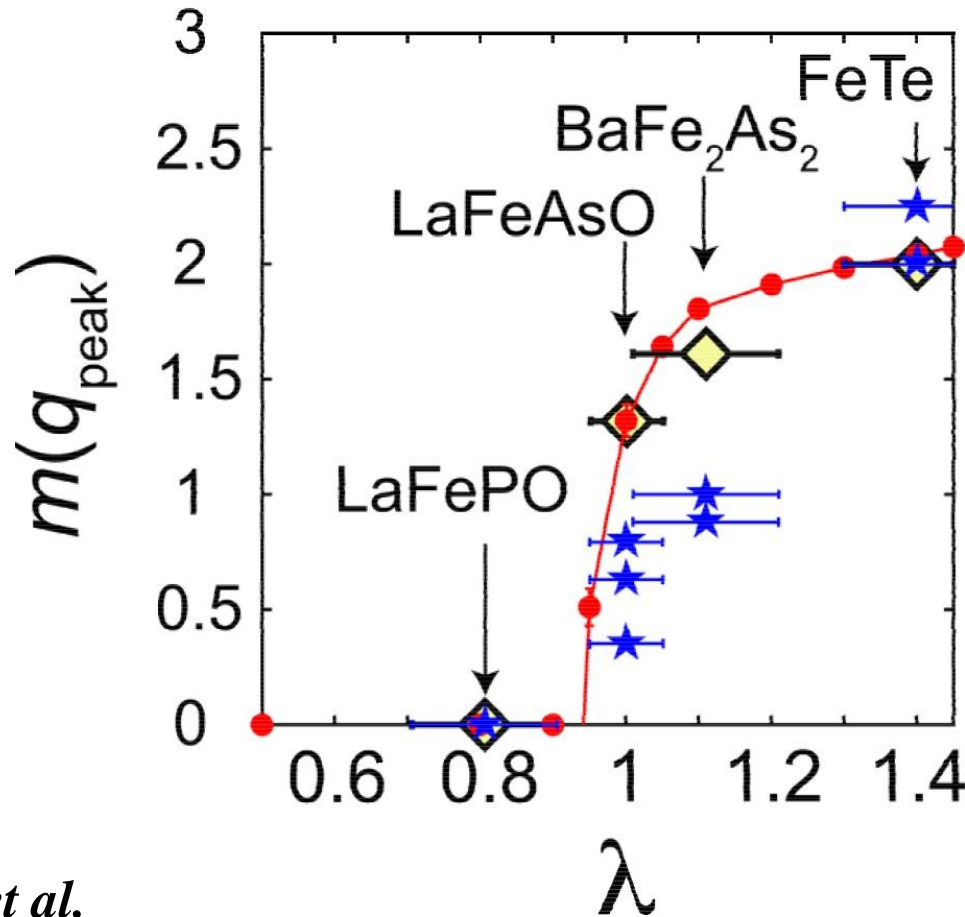
optimization of 1000-10000 variables to overcome bias

$$\mathcal{P}_G = \exp \left[-g \sum_i n_{i\uparrow} n_{i\downarrow} \right] \quad \text{Gutzwiller factor}$$

$$\mathcal{L}^S = \frac{2S+1}{8\pi^2} \int d\Omega P_S(\cos \beta) \hat{R}(\Omega) \quad \text{quantum number projection}$$

Solution of low-energy solver

ordered magnetic moment



VMC result for
ab initio models of
mother compounds

- ★ experiment
- ◇ *ab initio* model
- λ scaled model

Misawa *et al.*

JPSJ 80 (2011) 023704

PRL 108 (2012) 177007

near magnetic quantum critical point

see also Yin Haule Kotliar Nat. Mat. (2011)

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Detailed Study on Doping Effect

Orbital Selective Mottness and Charge Inhomogeneity

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Superconducting Mechanism

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Summary

- 1. *Ab initio* electronic model shows $s \pm$ superconducting phase by electron doping into stripe AF phase of LaFeAsO.
Agreement with experiment**
- 2. Orbital selective Mottness of $d_{x^2-y^2}$ orbital holds an underlying key for the emergence of the high- T_c superconductivity.
Major role for both magnetism and superconductivity.**
- 3. Superconductivity emerges because of the charge instability accompanied by the PS caused by the strong 1st order AF/nematic transition.
Smoking gun is found in one-to-one correspondence between charge compressibility and superconductivity in various cases.**

Thank you