



Beyond Heisenberg Solids: From Multi-Spin Interactions to Novel Chiral Particles

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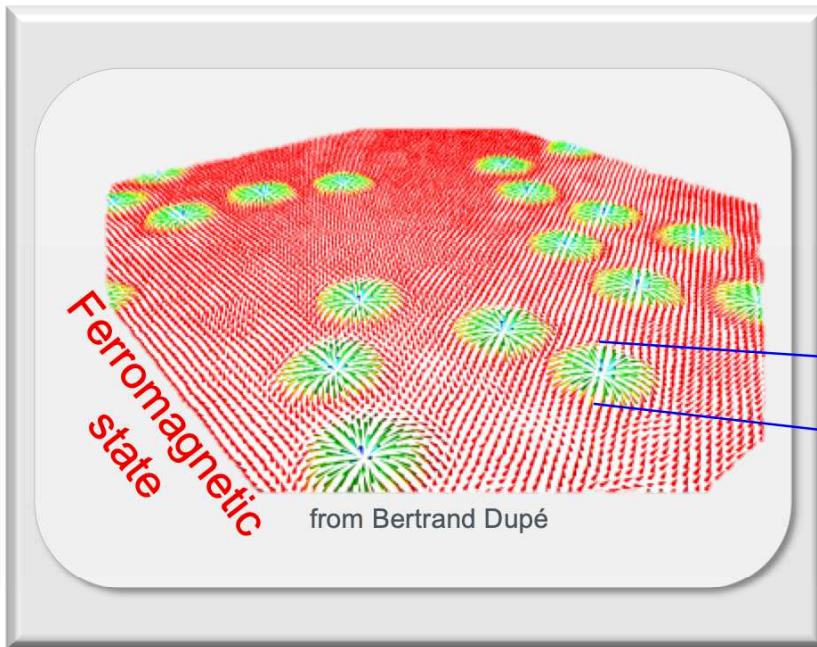
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SINGLE SMOOTH LOCALIZED MAGNETIZATION TEXTURES

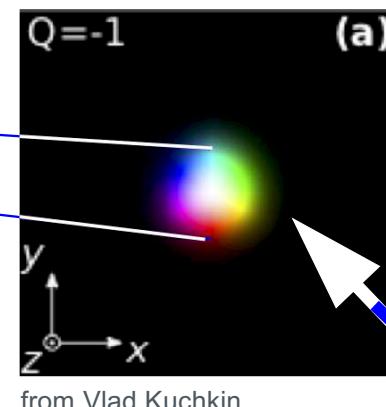
Isolated Skyrmion
(topological solitons)



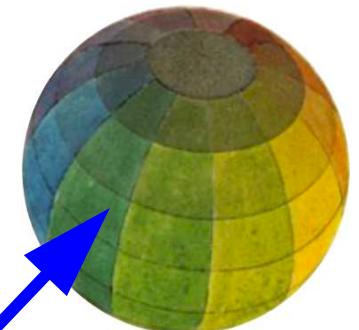
❖ Micromagnetic energy functional **2D**:

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

exchange interaction Dzyaloshinskii -Moriya magnetic anisotropy Zeeman (magn. field)



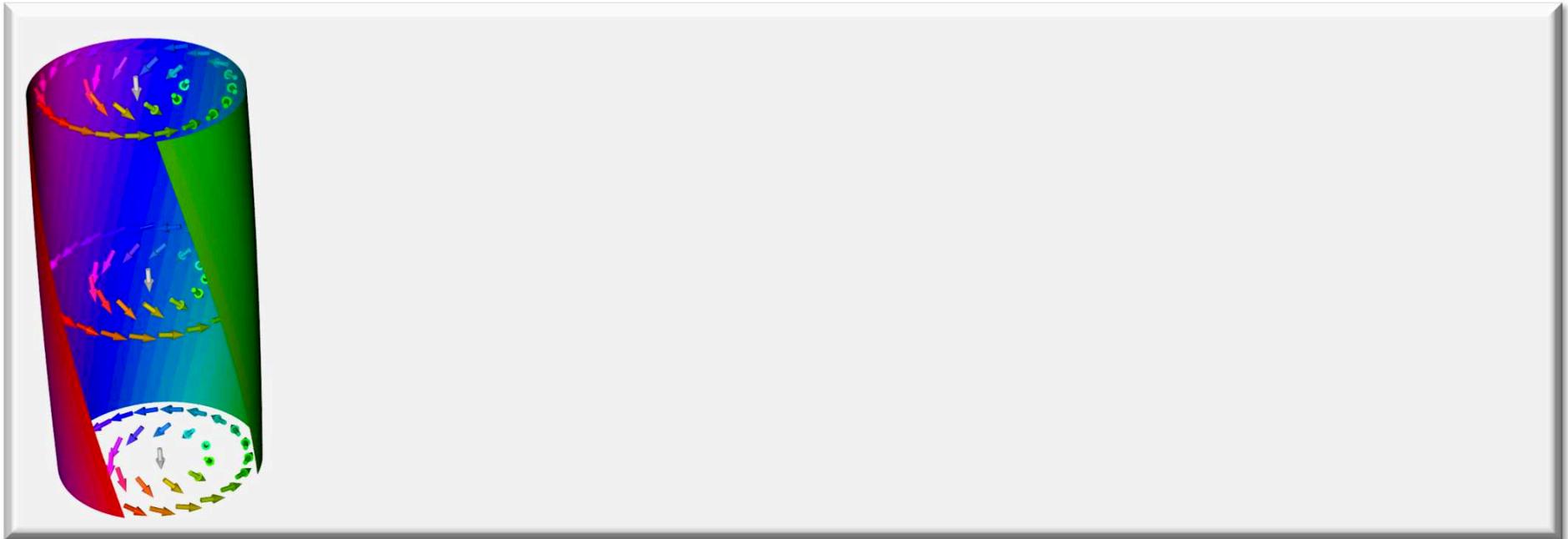
$\mathbf{m} : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^2$
Smooth mapping
Here $d=2$,



$$Q = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \mathbf{m} \cdot \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{m}}{\partial x} \times \frac{\partial \mathbf{m}}{\partial y} \right) dx dy$$

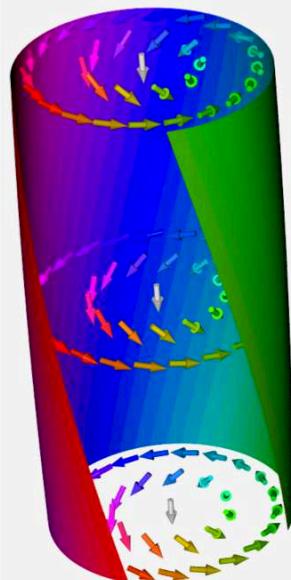
LOCALIZED 3D MAGNETIZATION TEXTURES

Skyrmion

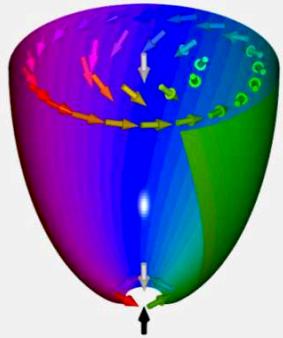


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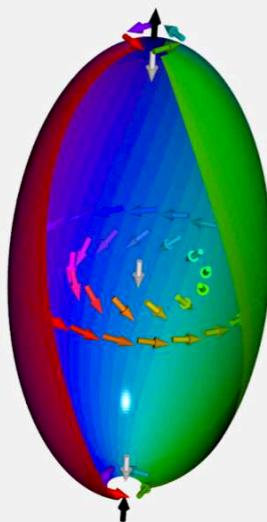
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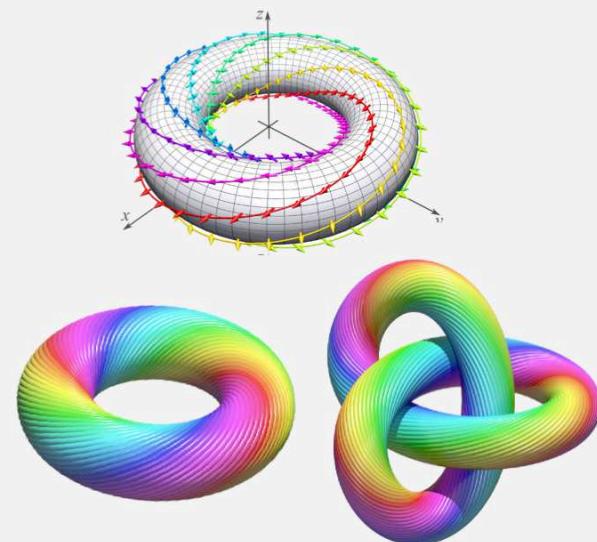
Chiral bobber



**Globule
Quanco ball**



**Hopfion
Knotted solitons**

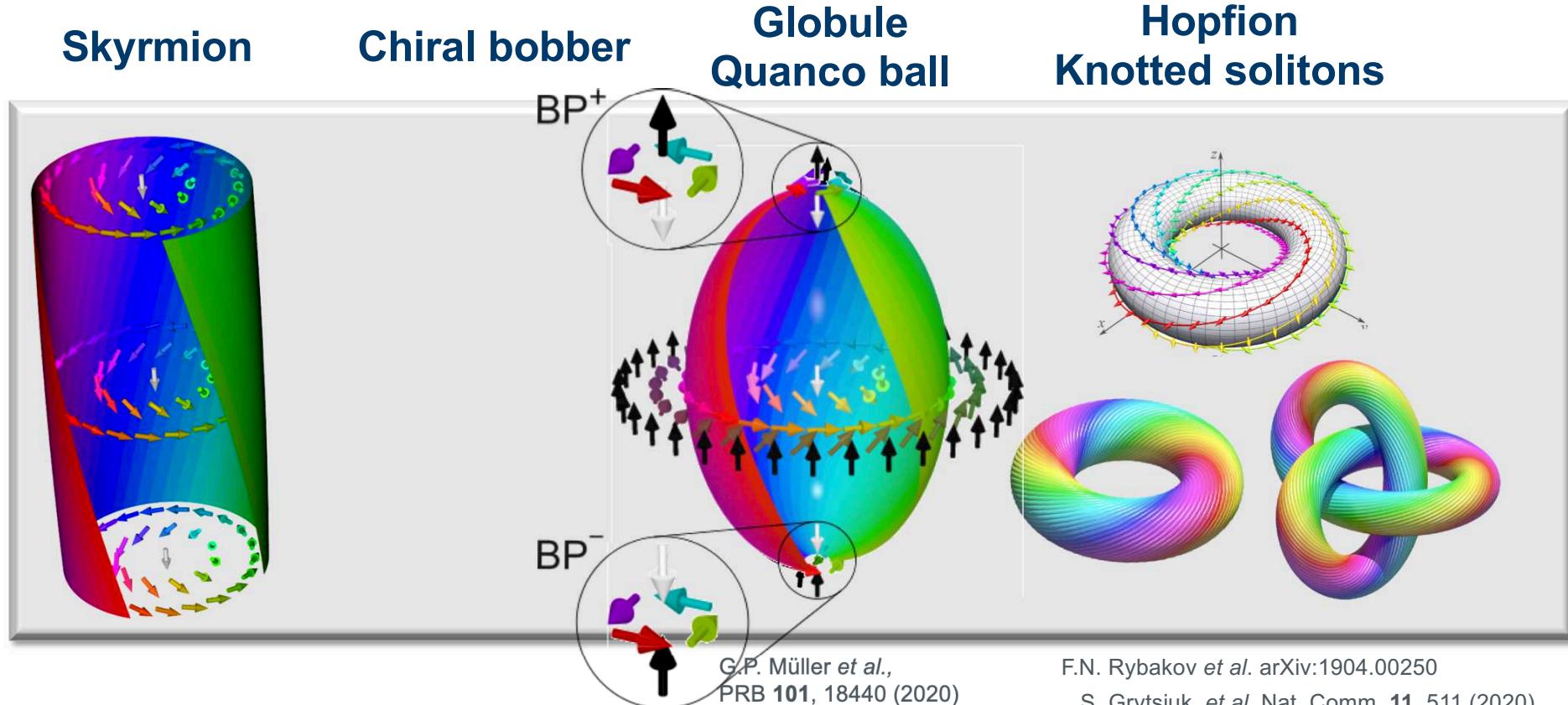


F.N. Rybakov, et al.,
PRB **87**, 094424 (2013);
PRL **115**, 117301 (2015);
NJP **18**, 045002 (2016)

G.P. Müller et al.,
PRB **101**, 18440 (2020)

F.N. Rybakov et al. arXiv:1904.00250
S. Grytsiuk, et al. Nat. Comm. **11**, 511 (2020)

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Interesting electron transport properties

Redies, Lux, Hanke, Buhl, Müller, Kiselev, Blügel, Mokrousov, PRB **99**, 140407(R) (2019)

MULTISCALE MODELING

❖ Micromagnetic-model:

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

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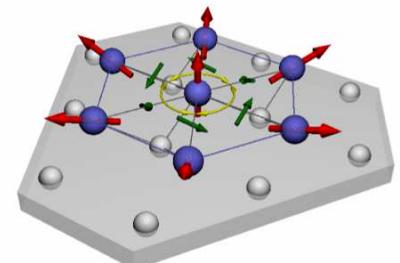
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- Spiraling (micromagnetic D)

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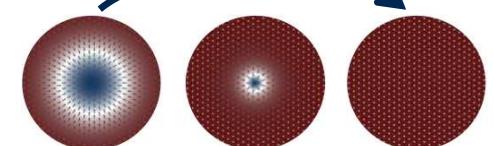
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Conclusion: Limits to the micromagnetic model

- 1) When skyrmions become small



radial collapse



Continuum approximation

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

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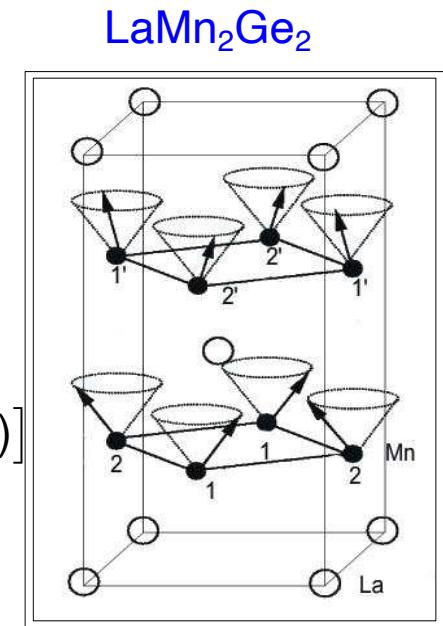
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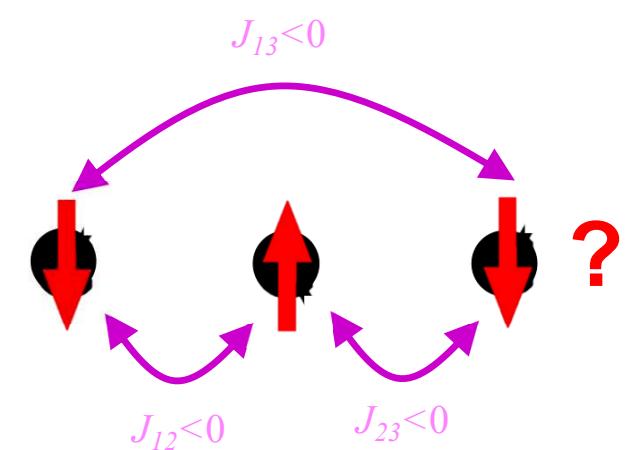
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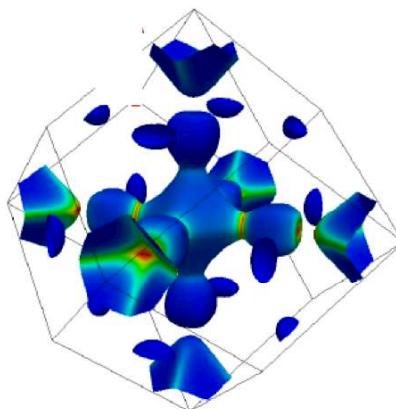


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- 2) When competing exchange interaction

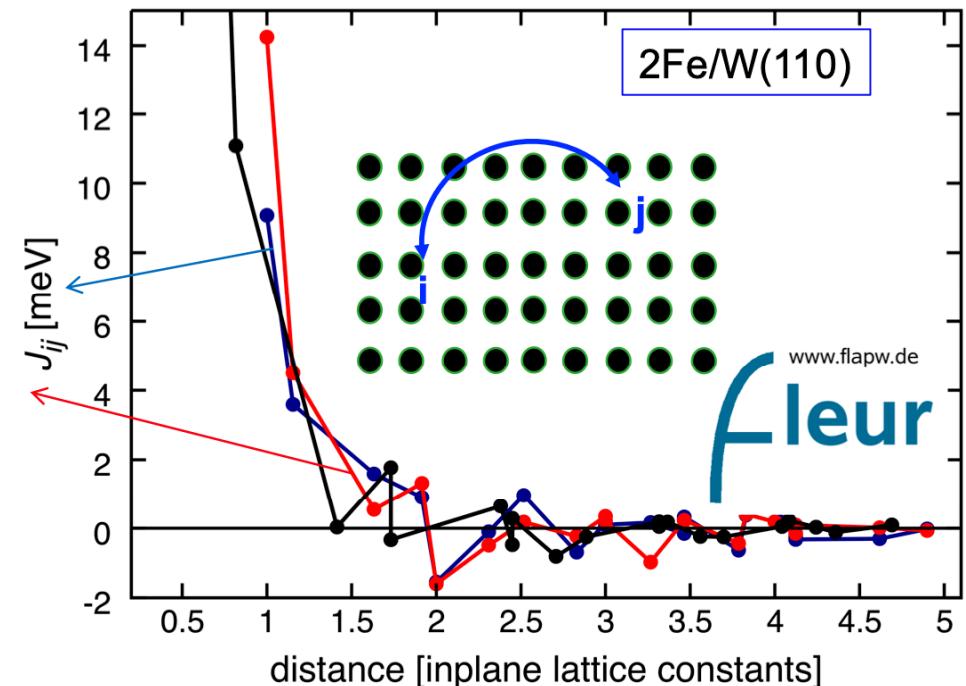
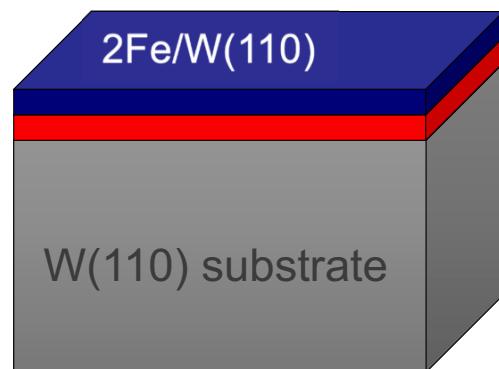


FERMI SURFACE OF TRANSITION METALS



bcc W (Z=74)

Oscillatory behavior of J_{ij}



Metals:

- 1) Long-ranged and competing interaction determined by Fermi Surface
- 2) Fermi Surface depends on magnetization direction and spin-state

M. Hoffmann *et al*, Nat. Commun. **8**, 308 (2017)

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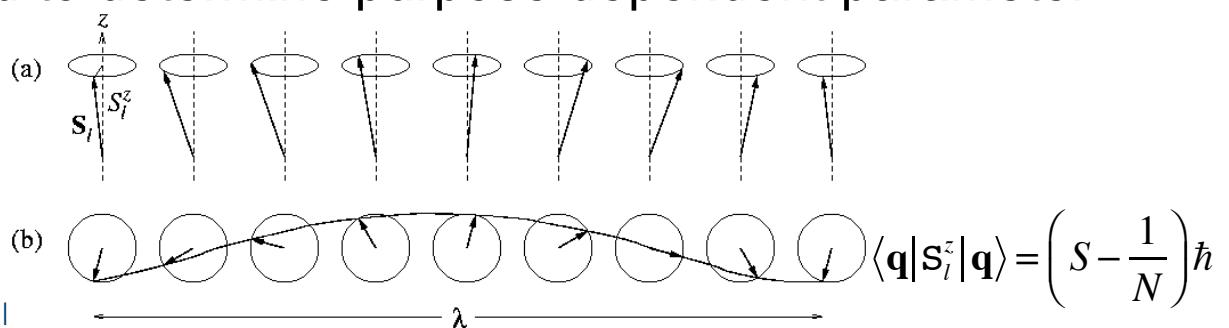
❖ DFT-model: *ab initio* total energy: $\mathbf{m}(\mathbf{r}) = \langle \Psi(\mathbf{r}) | \underline{\sigma} | \Psi(\mathbf{r}) \rangle$

Basic idea: Compare the total energy landscape $E_{\text{DFT}}([n], \{\mathbf{M}\})$ to models

Note: Expansion of the energy has an initial state dependence $J_{ij}(\{\mathbf{M}\})$

Many tricks have been developed to determine purpose dependent parameter

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



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Gideon P. Müller *et al.*
PRB **99**, 224414 (2019)

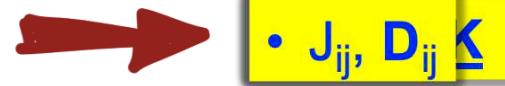
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github.com/spirit-code

❖ DFT-model: From *ab initio* total energy: $\mathbf{m}(\mathbf{r}) = \langle \Psi(\mathbf{r}) | \underline{\sigma} | \Psi(\mathbf{r}) \rangle$

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

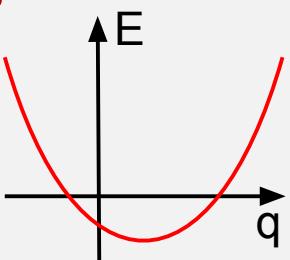


➤ Spin-spirals

$$E(q) = Aq^2 + Dq$$

$$A = \left. \frac{d^2 E(\mathbf{q})}{d \mathbf{q} d \mathbf{q}} \right|_{\mathbf{q} \rightarrow 0}$$

$$D = \left. \frac{d E(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{e})}{d \mathbf{q}} \right|_{\mathbf{q} \rightarrow 0}$$



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

➤ Infinitesimal rotation

$$\{J_{ij}, D_{ij}\} = -\frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} \int dE \text{Tr} [\Delta V_i^\alpha G_{ij} \Delta V_j^{\alpha'} G_{ji}]$$

H. Ebert *et al.*, PRB **79**, 045209 (2009).
A.I. Liechtenstein *et al.* J. Phys. F **14**, L125;
Solid State Com. **54**, 327 (1985)



LARGE MAGNETIC MOMENTS OF METALS

- Typical metals have large local moment $m \in \{1, \dots, 4\}\mu_B \Leftrightarrow S \in \{1/2, \dots, 2\}$
- Reminder Spin Algebra

$$\text{Spin - } \frac{1}{2} : (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2)^2 = 3 - 2\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1 \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2$$

$$\text{Spin - } S : (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1(S) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2(S))^{2S+1} = a_0 + a_1 (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1(S) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2(S)) + \dots + a_{2S} (\boldsymbol{\sigma}_1(S) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_2(S))^{2S}$$

4th-order exchange interactions

Message:

1) For $S > 1/2 \rightarrow$ Higher-Order Spin Interaction

$$H_4 = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{ijkl} K_{ijkl} (\mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j)(\mathbf{S}_k \cdot \mathbf{S}_l)$$

M. Hoffmann et al., PRB **101**, 024418 (2020)

→ Beyond Heisenberg Solids if this interaction becomes important

Invoke Skyrme Mechanism: T. Skyrme: Proc. Roy. Soc. A **260**, 127 (1961)

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

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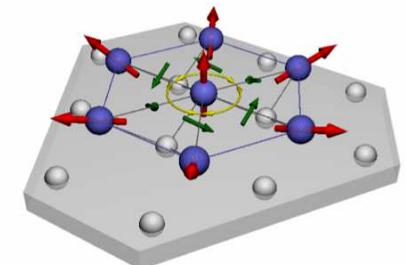
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- 3) When dealing with beyond Heisenberg solids

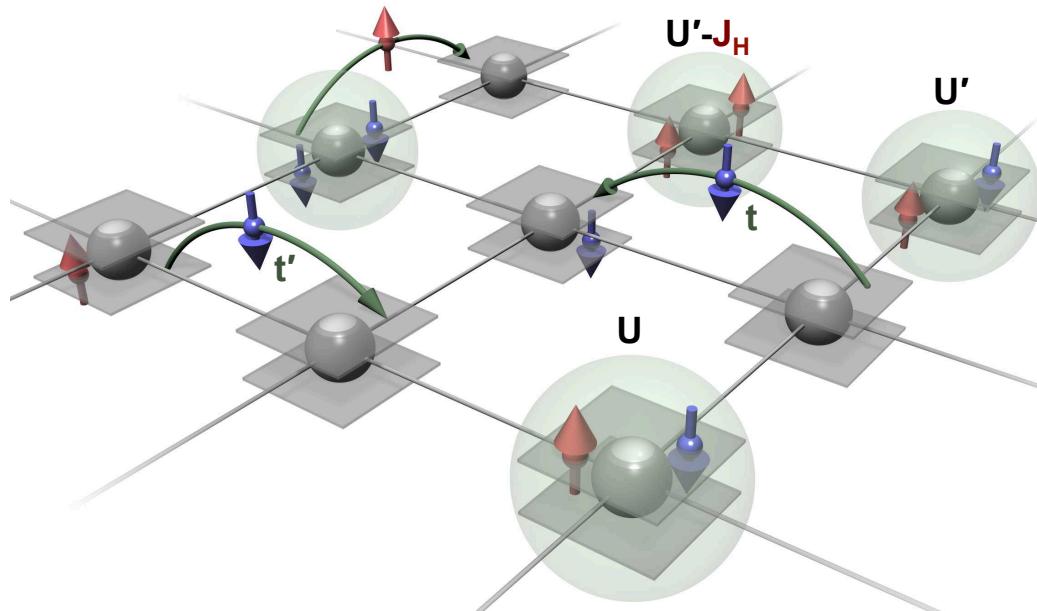


4th-order exchange interactions

$$H_4 = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{ijkn} K_{ijkn} (\mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j)(\mathbf{S}_k \cdot \mathbf{S}_n)$$

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FROM MULTIBAND HUBBARD MODEL TO SPIN MODEL



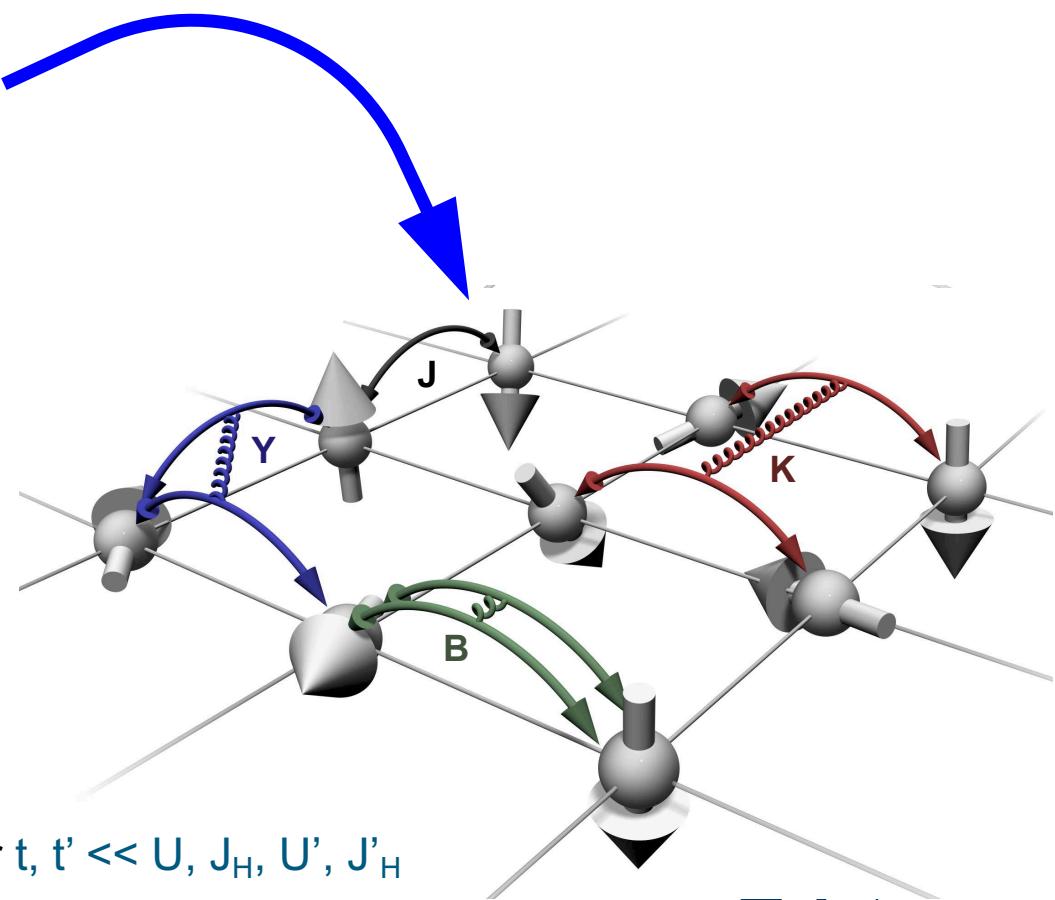
By downfolding to

Low-energy subspace

- $S=1/2$: singly occupied states
- generally: Spin S at each side

Löwdin's partitioning up to fourth order perturbation:

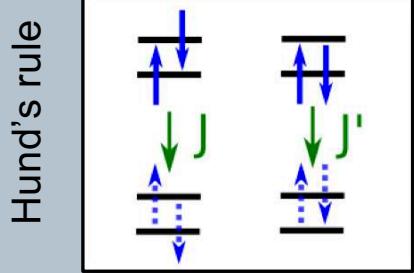
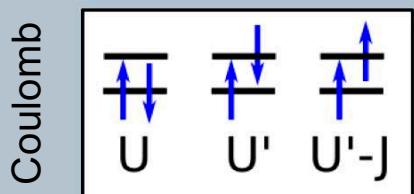
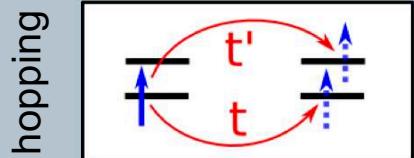
- canonical transformation $\tilde{H} = e^{-S} H e^S$ suitable for $t, t' \ll U, J_H, U', J'_H$



Hubbard model

Multi-band Hubbard model

electron-Hamiltonian

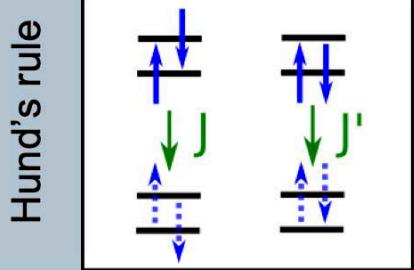
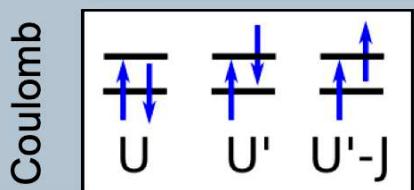
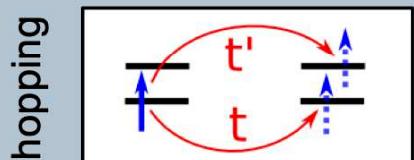


$$\begin{aligned}
 H = & - \sum_{i < j, \alpha, \sigma} t_{i,j,\alpha} \left(c_{i,\alpha,\sigma}^\dagger c_{j,\alpha,\sigma} + \text{h.c.} \right) \\
 & - \sum_{\substack{i,j,\sigma \\ \alpha \neq \alpha'}} t'_{i,\alpha,j,\alpha'} \left(c_{i,\alpha,\sigma}^\dagger c_{j,\alpha',\sigma} + \text{h.c.} \right) \\
 & + \sum_{i,\alpha} U_{i,\alpha} n_{i,\alpha,\uparrow} n_{i,\alpha,\downarrow} \\
 & + \sum_{\substack{i,\sigma \\ \alpha < \alpha'}} U'_{i,\alpha,\alpha'} \left(n_{i,\alpha,\sigma} n_{i,\alpha',\sigma} + n_{i,\alpha,\sigma} n_{i,\alpha',\bar{\sigma}} \right) \\
 & - \sum_{\substack{i,\sigma \\ \alpha < \alpha'}} J_{i,\alpha,\alpha'} n_{i,\alpha,\sigma} n_{i,\alpha',\sigma} \\
 & - \sum_{i,\alpha < \alpha'} J_{i,\alpha,\alpha'} \left(c_{i,\alpha,\uparrow}^\dagger c_{i,\alpha,\downarrow} c_{i,\alpha',\downarrow}^\dagger c_{i,\alpha',\uparrow} + \text{h.c.} \right) \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

Higher-order exchange interactions: Hubbard model

Multi-band Hubbard model

electron-Hamiltonian



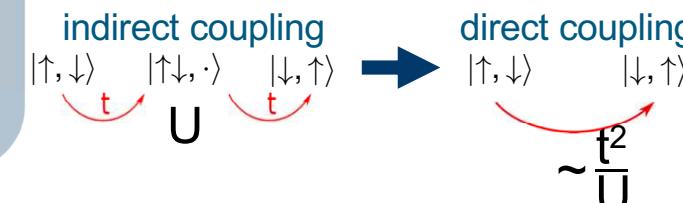
$$H'_{m=0} = \begin{pmatrix} & \sim t \\ \sim t & \end{pmatrix}$$

Downfolding

$$\tilde{H}_{m=0} = \begin{pmatrix} \text{blue square} & 0 \\ 0 & \text{grey rectangle} \end{pmatrix}$$

Mapping to spin Hamiltonian

$$H = J (\mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j) + \dots$$



Effective *spin* Hamiltonian

$$H = - \sum_{ij} J_{ij} (\mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j) - \sum_{ij} \mathbf{D}_{ij} \cdot (\mathbf{S}_i \times \mathbf{S}_j)$$

$$- \sum_{ijkl} B_{ij} (\mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j)^2$$

Biquadratic = 4-spin–2-site

$$- \sum_{ijk} Y_{ijk} (\mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j) (\mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_k)$$

4-spin–3-site

$$- \sum_{ijkl} K_{ijkl} (\mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j) (\mathbf{S}_k \cdot \mathbf{S}_l)$$

4-spin–4-site

M. Hoffmann et al., PRB **101**, 024418 (2020)



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EXAMPLE: FOUR-SPIN-TREE-SITE INTERACTION

M. Hoffmann *et al.*, PRB **101**, 024418 (2020)

❖ Four-spins-three-sites

$$H_3 = - \sum_{ijk} Y_{ijk} (\mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j) (\mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_k)$$

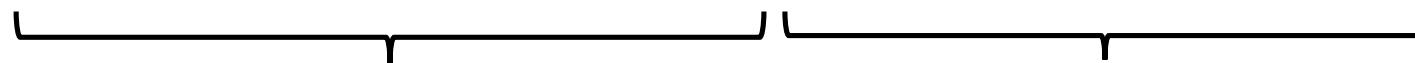
❖ Spin operators $n_{3,1,\downarrow}^\dagger n_{1,2,\uparrow}^\dagger c_{3,2,\downarrow}^\dagger c_{2,2,\uparrow}^\dagger c_{2,1,\uparrow}^\dagger c_{1,1,\downarrow}^\dagger c_{1,1,\uparrow} c_{2,1,\downarrow} c_{2,2,\downarrow} c_{3,2,\uparrow}$

❖ Parameter Four-spins-three-sites for 3 orbitals

$$\begin{aligned} Y_{3 \times 3} = & + (t - t')^2 \cdot (t^2 + 2tt' + 3t'^2) \cdot \left[- \frac{1}{(U + 2J_H)^2} \cdot \left(\frac{16}{9(2U + 3J_H + U')} + \frac{8}{9(2U + 4J_H - U' + J'_H)} + \frac{16}{81J_H} \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \frac{16}{243(U + 2J_H)J_H^2} - \frac{16}{243(5J_H + U)J_H^2} \right] \\ & + \frac{1}{(U + 2J_H)^2} \cdot \left[- \frac{8t^4 + 64t^2t'^2 + 32tt'^3 + 40t'^4}{9(2U + 4J_H - U' - J'_H)} + \frac{16t'^2(t' + 2t)^2}{9(U + 2J_H - U' - J'_H)} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \frac{64t^4 + 384t^2t'^2 + 128tt'^3 + 288t'^4}{27(U + 2J_H)} \right] \end{aligned}$$

HUBBARD MODEL + SPIN-ORBIT INTERACTION

$$H = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} \textcolor{blue}{J}_{ij} \mathbf{m}_i \cdot \mathbf{m}_j + \sum_{ij} \textcolor{blue}{D}_{ij} (\mathbf{m}_i \times \mathbf{m}_j) + \sum_{ij} \textcolor{magenta}{C}_{ij} (\mathbf{m}_i \cdot \mathbf{m}_j)(\mathbf{m}_i \times \mathbf{m}_j) + \dots$$



2nd – order perturbation

4th –order perturbation

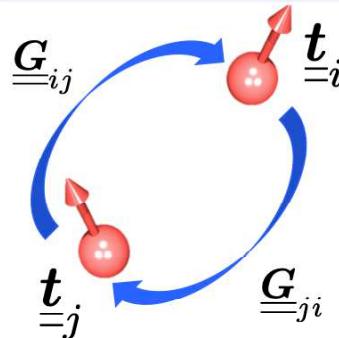
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EXCHANGE INTERACTIONS FROM DFT MODEL

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$$E_{\text{DFT}}([n], \{\mathbf{M}\}) \rightarrow E_{\text{DFT}}([n], \{\mathbf{M} + \delta\mathbf{M}\}) = E_{\text{DFT}}([n], \{\mathbf{M}\}) + \delta E_{\text{sp}}(\{\mathbf{M} + \delta\mathbf{M}\}) + \mathcal{O}((\delta\mathbf{M})^2(\delta n)^2)$$

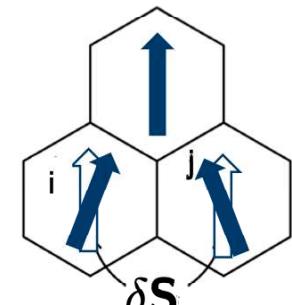
Single particle energy $\delta E_{\text{sp}} = -\frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} \int_{-\infty}^{\epsilon_F} d\epsilon \text{Tr} \ln [1 - G(\epsilon) \delta t(\epsilon)]$



$$G_{ij} = A_{ij} \sigma_0 + \mathbf{B}_{ij} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}$$

$$\delta t_i(\epsilon) = t_i^s(\epsilon) \delta \mathbf{S}_i \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}$$

$$\ln(1-x) = -x - \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^4}{4} - \dots$$



2nd – order term:

$$\delta E_{\text{2-spin}} = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \text{Im} \text{Tr} \int_{-\infty}^{\epsilon_F} d\epsilon \sum_{ij} G_{ij}(\epsilon) \delta t_j(\epsilon) G_{ji}(\epsilon) \delta t_i(\epsilon)$$

Collecting $\propto \delta t_j \delta t_i \rightarrow \mathbf{S}_i \star \mathbf{S}_j := \sum_{ij} [J_{ij}^{\text{iso}} \delta \mathbf{S}_i \cdot \delta \mathbf{S}_j + \mathbf{D}_{ij} \cdot (\delta \mathbf{S}_i \times \delta \mathbf{S}_j + \delta \mathbf{S}_i \cdot \underline{\mathbf{J}}_{ij}^{\text{ani}} \delta \mathbf{S}_j)]$
terms

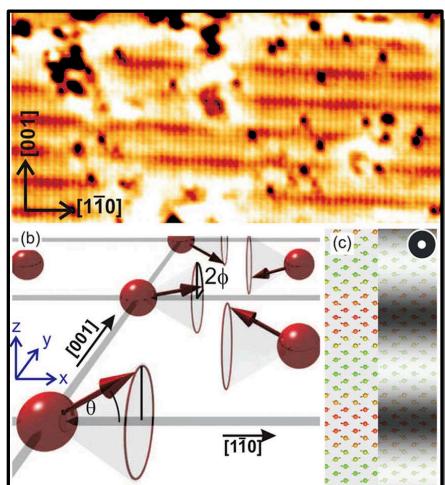
$$J_{ij}^{\text{iso}} = -\frac{1}{\pi} \text{Im} \text{Tr} \int_{-\infty}^{\epsilon_F} d\epsilon \{ A_{jj}(\epsilon) t_j^s(\epsilon) A_{ji}(\epsilon) t_i^s(\epsilon) + [\mathbf{B}_{jj}(\epsilon) t_j^s(\epsilon)] \cdot [\mathbf{B}_{ji}(\epsilon) t_i^s(\epsilon)] \}$$

with

$$\mathbf{D}_{ij} = -\frac{1}{\pi} \text{Re} \text{Tr} \int_{-\infty}^{\epsilon_F} d\epsilon \{ A_{ij}(\epsilon) t_j^s(\epsilon) \mathbf{B}_{ji}(\epsilon) t_i^s(\epsilon) - \mathbf{B}_{ij}(\epsilon) t_j^s(\epsilon) A_{ji}(\epsilon) t_i^s(\epsilon) \}$$

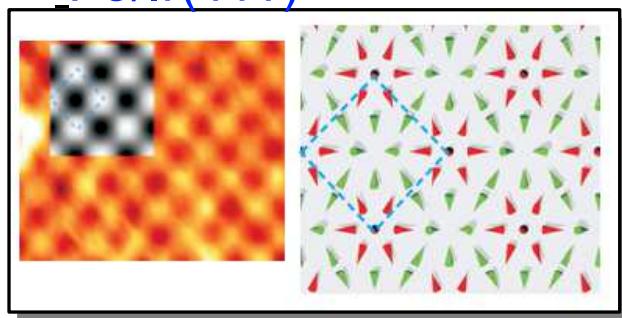
Examples of 4 spin-interactions

$2\text{Mn}/\text{W}(110)$



Yoshida et al., PRL 108, 087205 (2012)

$\text{Fe/Ir}(111)$



Heinze et al., Nature Physics 7, 713 (2011)

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$$H = - \sum_{ij} J_{ij} (\mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j) \quad \text{exchange interaction}$$

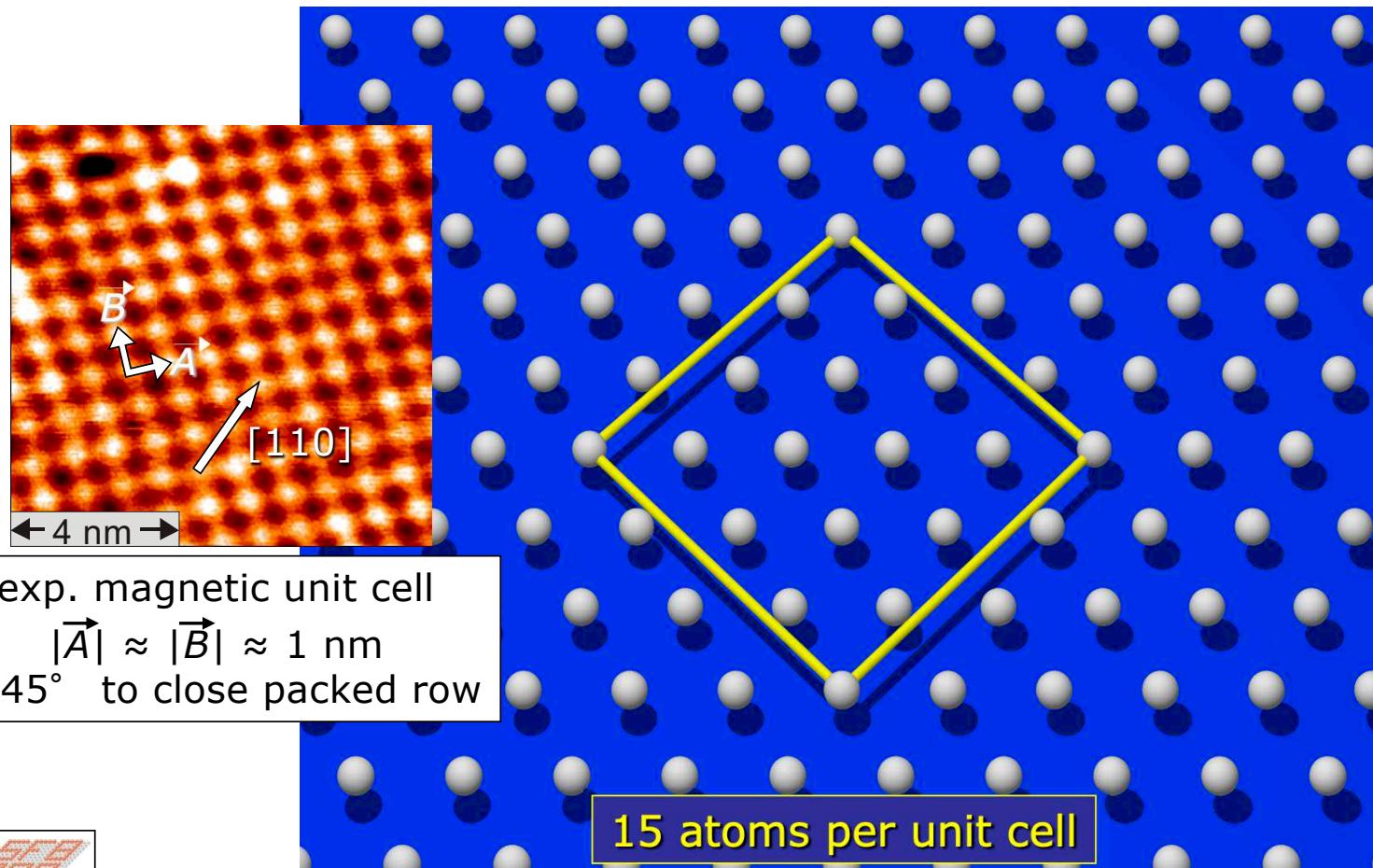
$$- \sum_{ij} \mathbf{D}_{ij} \cdot (\mathbf{S}_i \times \mathbf{S}_j) \quad \text{DM interaction}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & - \sum_{ijkl} K_{ijkl} [(\mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j) (\mathbf{S}_k \cdot \mathbf{S}_l) \\ & \quad + (\mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_l) (\mathbf{S}_j \cdot \mathbf{S}_k) \\ & \quad - (\mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_k) (\mathbf{S}_j \cdot \mathbf{S}_l)] \end{aligned} \quad \text{4-spin interaction}$$

$$- \sum_{ij} B_{ij} (\mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j)^2 \quad \text{biquadratic interaction}$$

$$- \sum_i K_i S_i^2 \sin^2 \phi_i \quad \text{anisotropy}$$

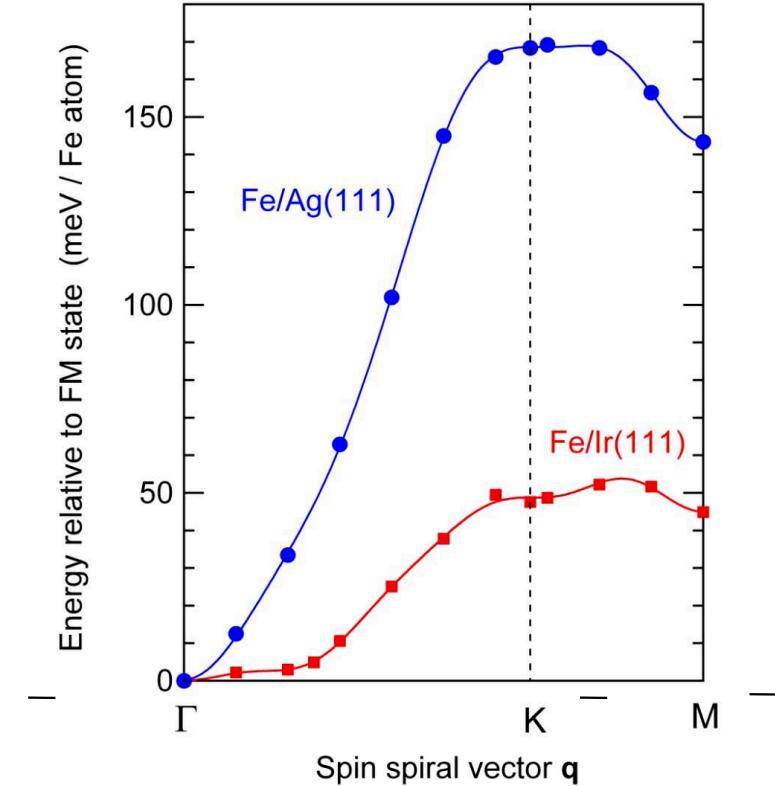
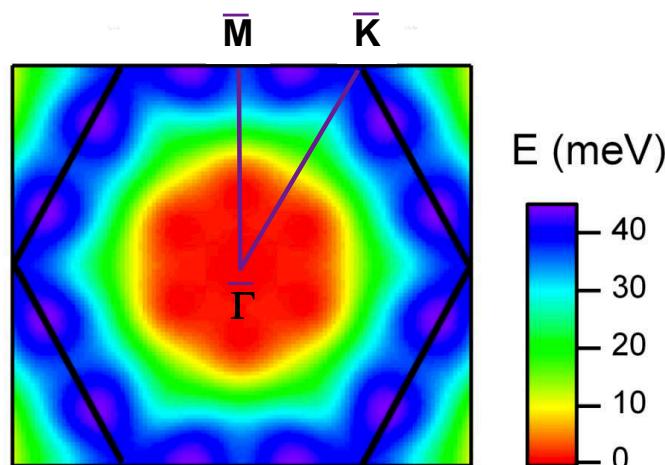
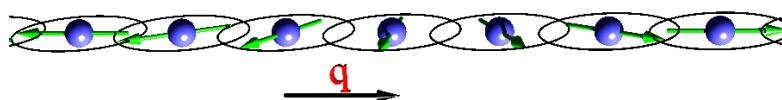
FE MONOLAYER ON IR(111): MAGNETIC UNIT CELL



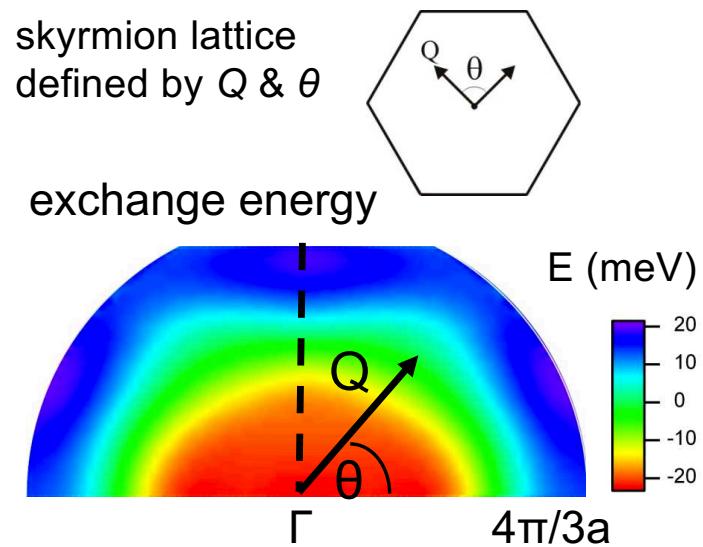
SPIN SPIRAL CALCULATIONS FOR FE/IR(111)

Heisenberg model : $H = - \sum_{ij} J_{ij} (\mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j)$

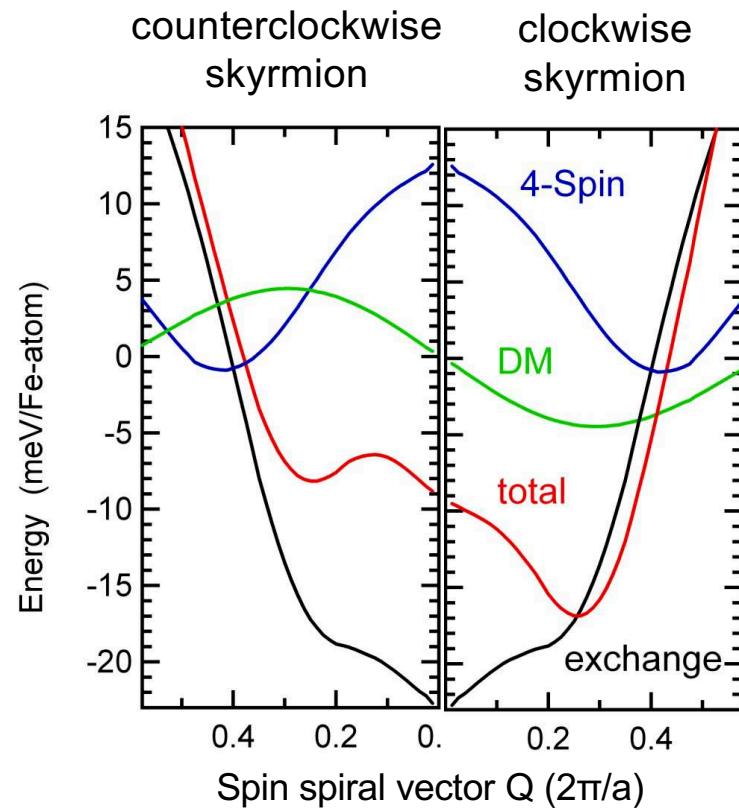
Spin spiral:



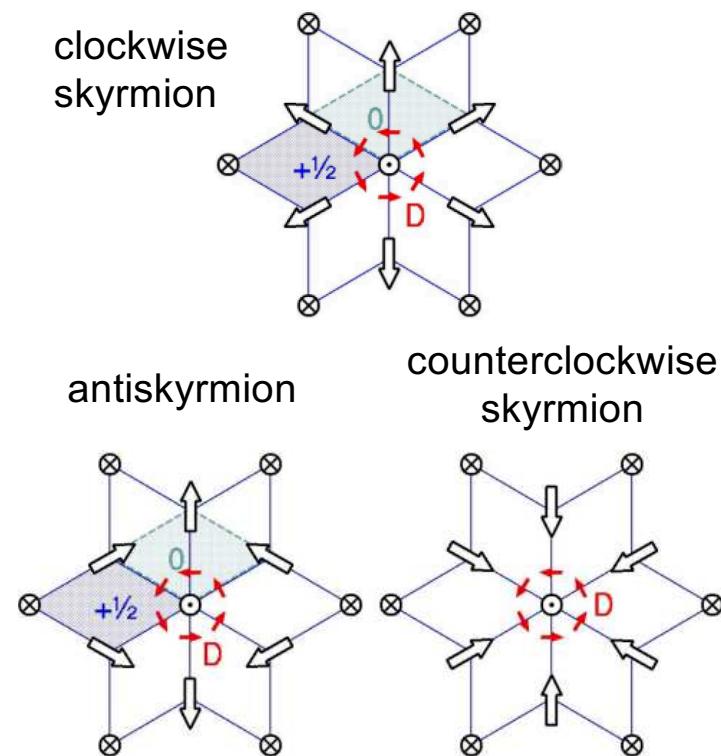
ENERGY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SKYRMION LATTICE



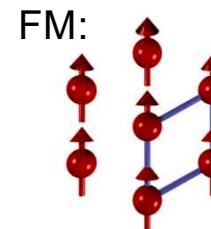
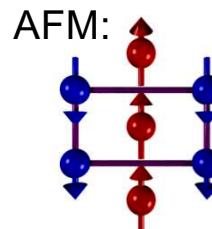
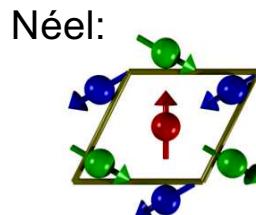
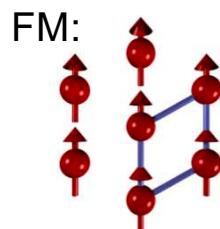
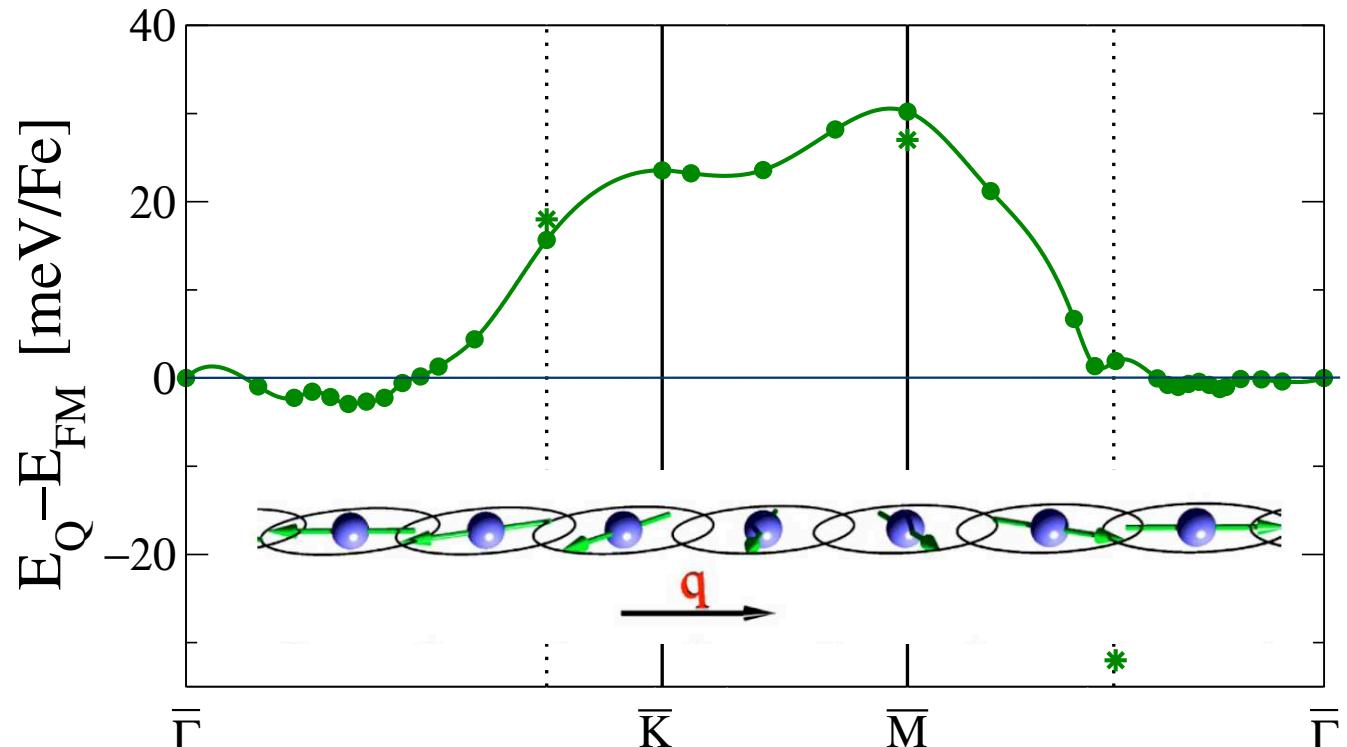
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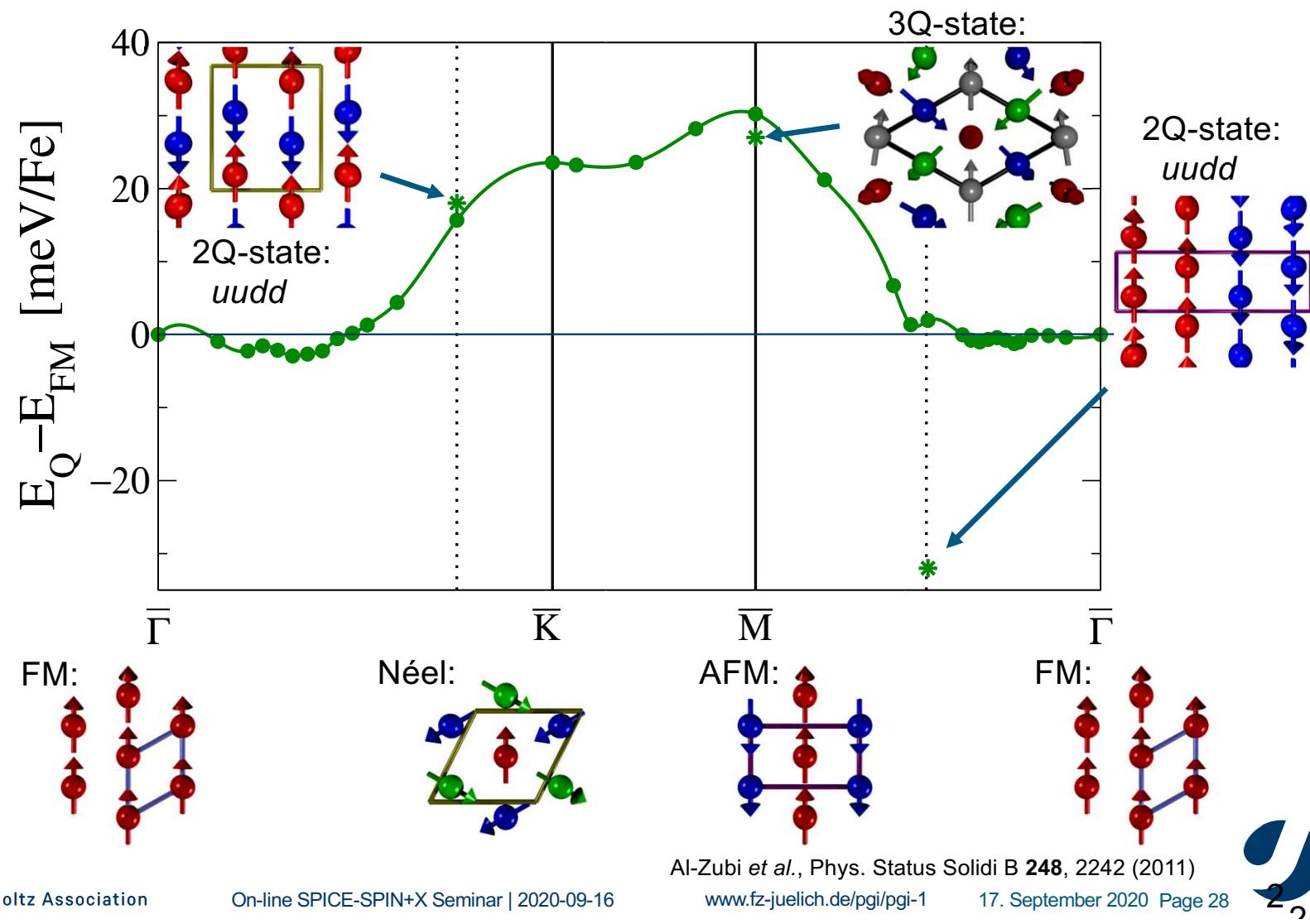
$$H_{\text{DM}} = - \sum_{ij} \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{S}_i \times \mathbf{S}_j)$$



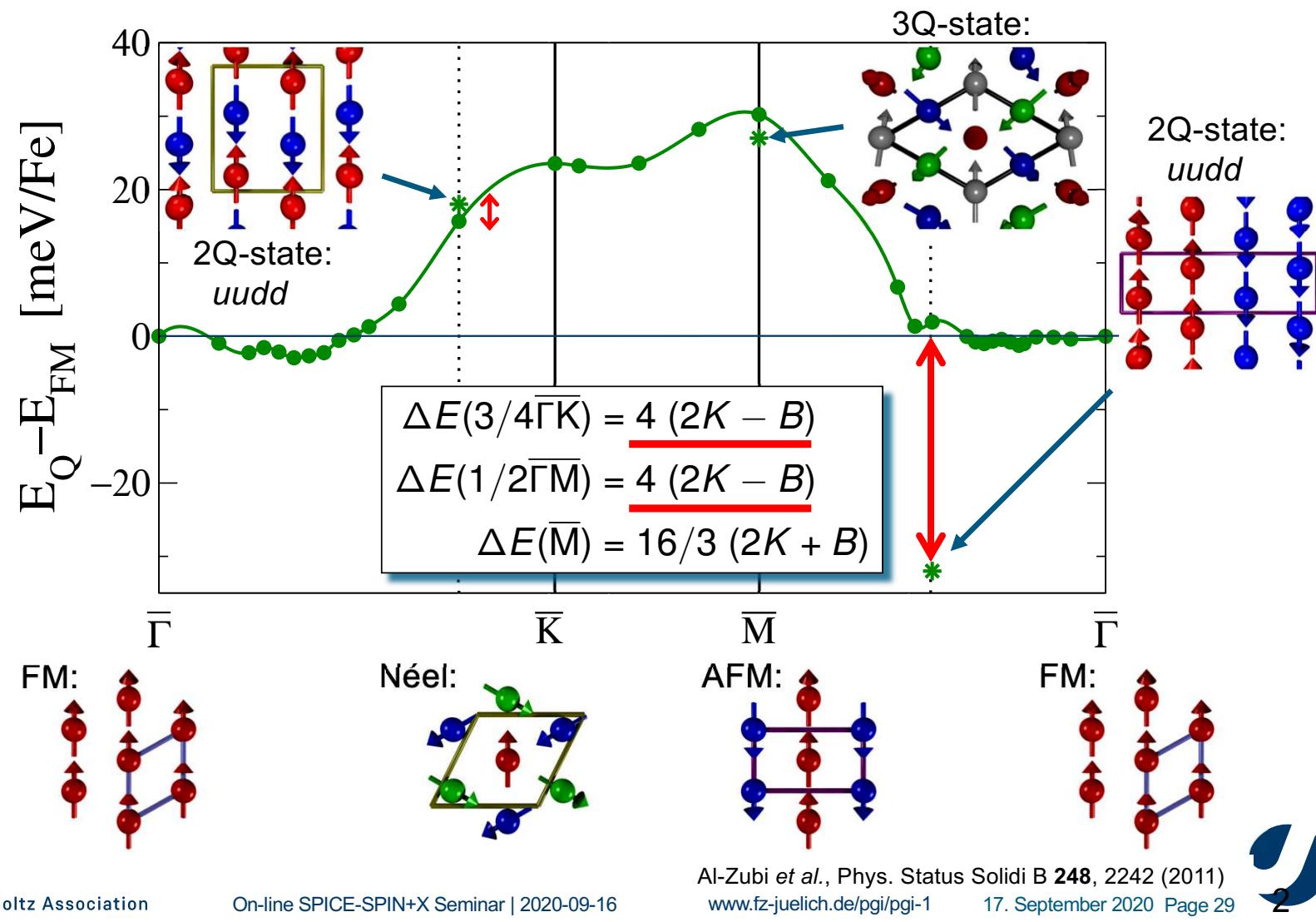
Example – Fe monolayer on Rh(111): Fe/Rh(111)



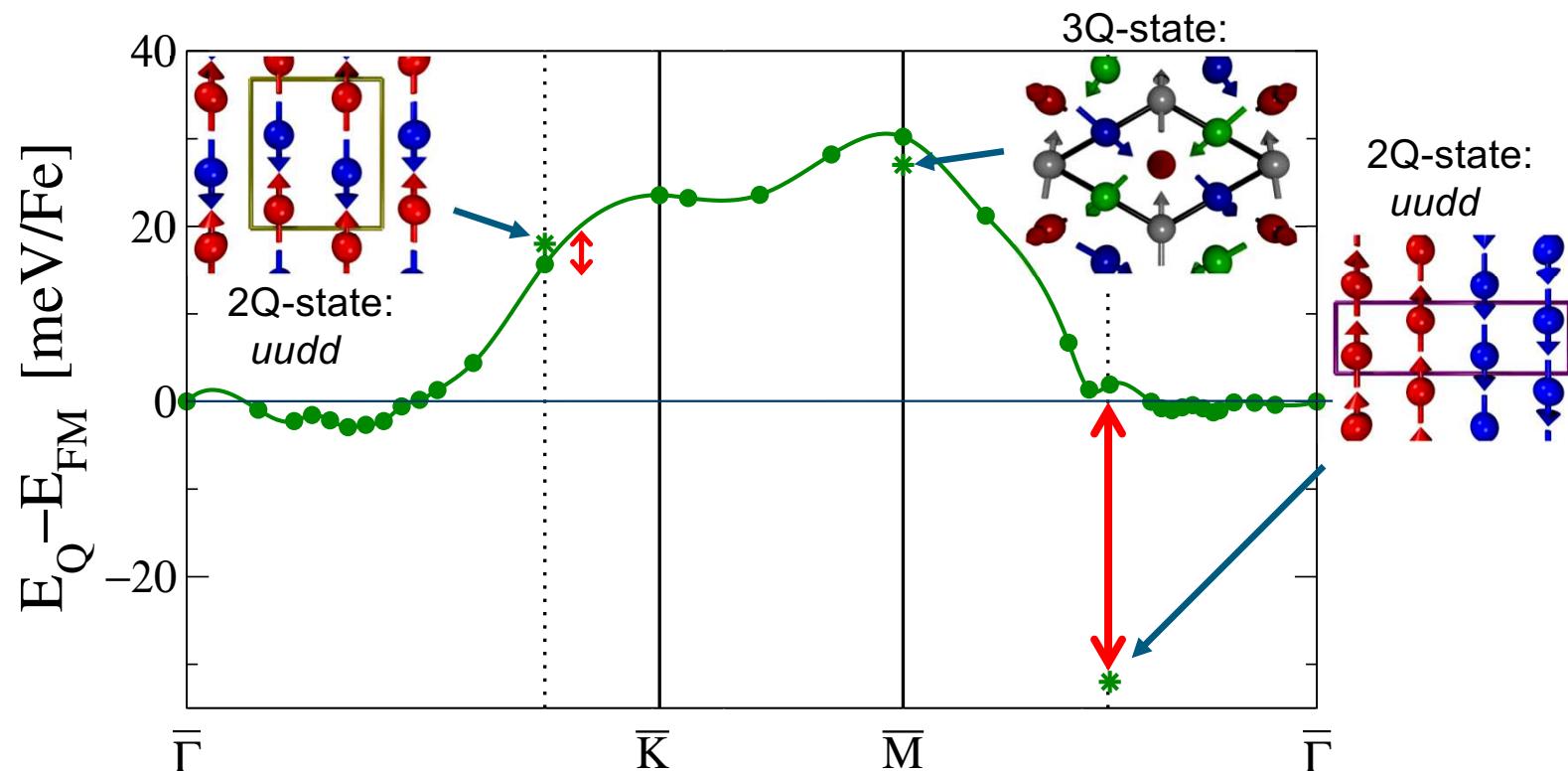
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$$\Delta E(\bar{M}) = 16/3(2K + B) - 16/3Y_{3\text{spin}}$$

$$J_1 = 3.80 \text{ meV}$$

$$B = 3.39 \text{ meV}$$

$$K = 0.07 \text{ meV}$$

$$Y_{3\text{spin}} = 4.00 \text{ meV}$$

CONVINCING EXPERIMENTALIST

MAGNETIC ADATOMS AS BUILDING BLOCKS FOR QUANTUM MAGNETISM

Workshop August 17th - 20th 2015
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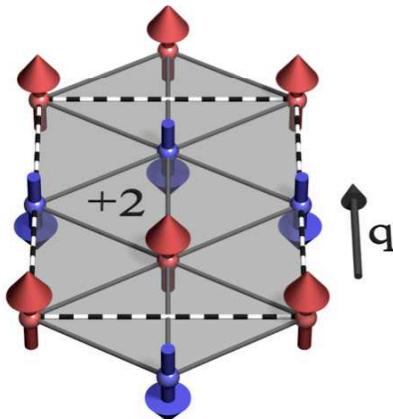
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Higher-order exchange interactions

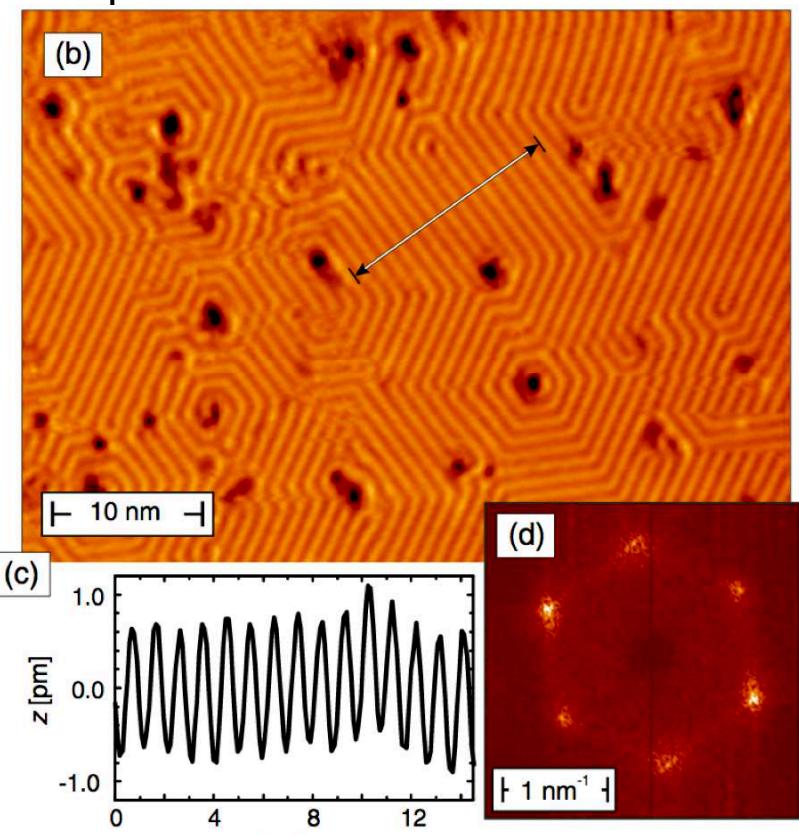


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higher-order exchange interactions can be calculated by performing DFT calculations for single-Q (spin-spirals) and multi-Q (uudd, 3Q, ...) states from their energy differences

Fe/Rh(111)
uudd state stabilized by 4-spin–3-site interaction

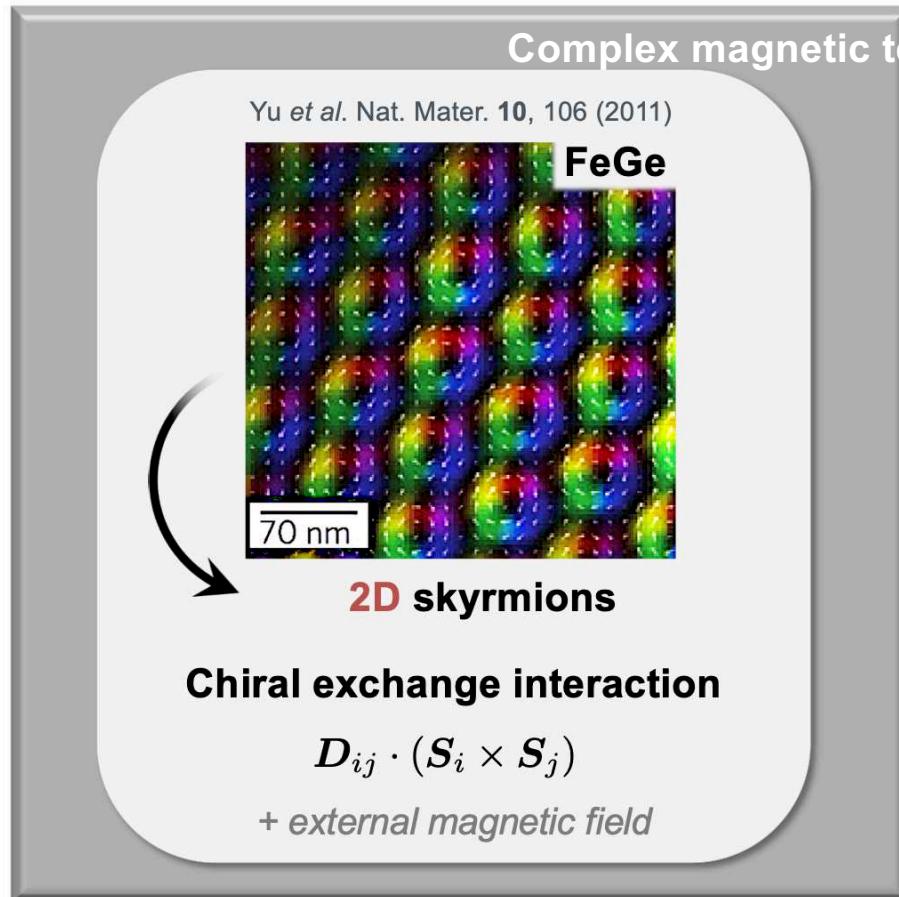


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Example 3D

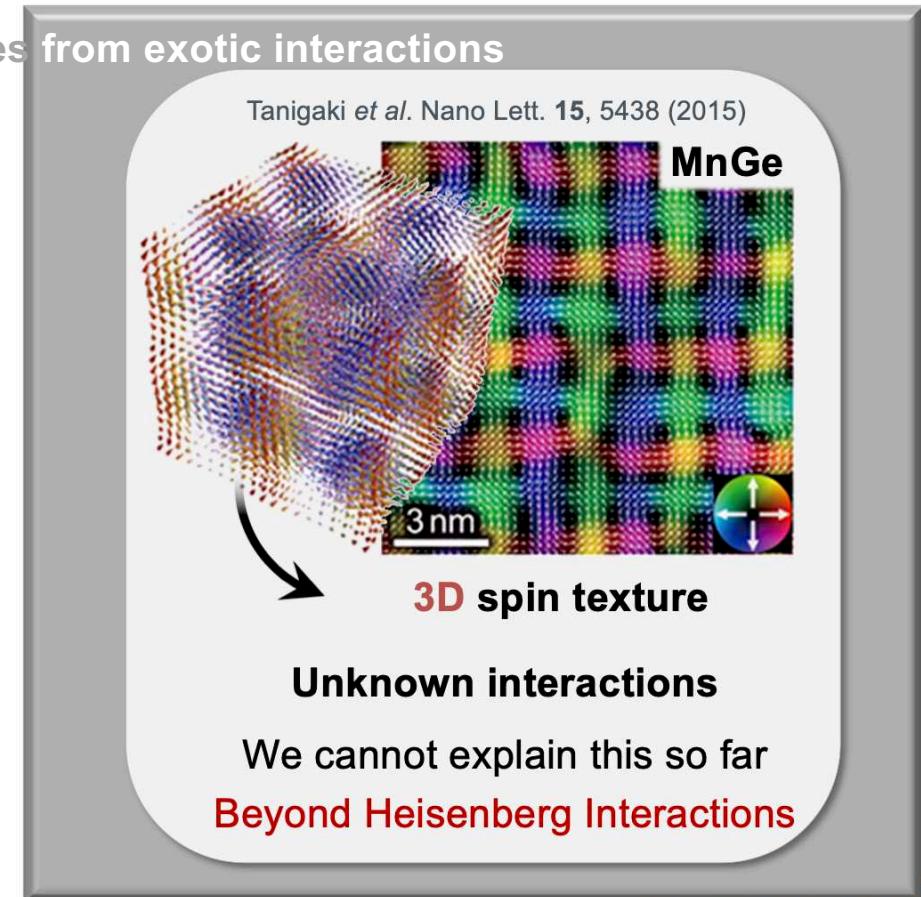
FeGe

Qualitatively understood
Quantitatively something missing



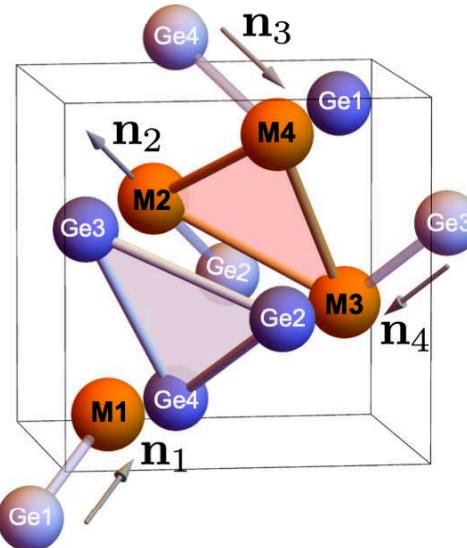
MnGe

not understood



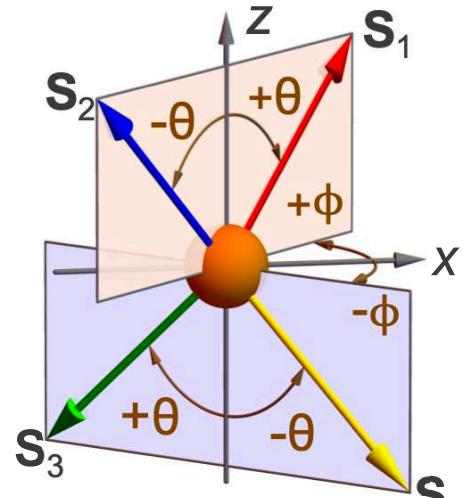
MAGNETIC INTERACTIONS IN B20 COMPOUNDS

Crystal and magnetic structure



Unit Cell:
4 magnetic (Fe/Mn) &
4 Ge atoms.

n_i – 3-fold rot. axis on
 i^{th} magn. atom.



Particular AFM order:
the angles of each spin
are referred to the
symmetry direction n_i is
the same:

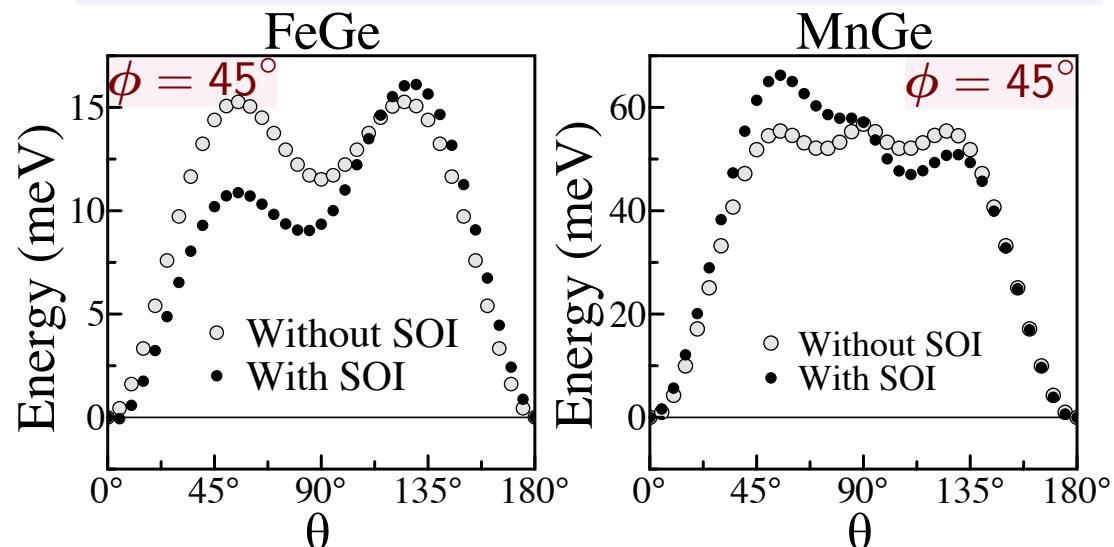
$$\mathbf{S}_i(\theta, \phi) = \begin{pmatrix} n_{ix} \sin(\theta) \cos(\phi) \\ n_{iy} \sin(\theta) \sin(\phi) \\ n_{iz} \cos(\theta) \end{pmatrix}$$

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The energy of Heisenberg interaction

$$E^{\text{ex}} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} J_{ij} \mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j = \text{const}$$

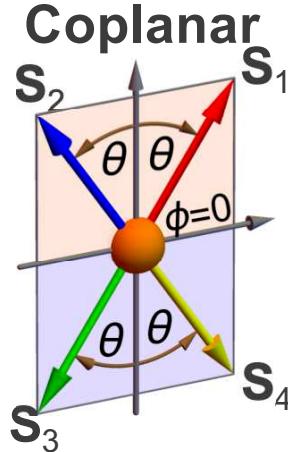
First-principles (DFT) results



- Energy difference to Heisenberg large
- **control is non-coplanarity**
- Energy change indicates the higher-order magnetic interactions.
- **What are those magnetic interactions?**

SYMMETRIC HIGHER-ORDER EXCHANGE

DFT results without Spin-Orbit Interaction



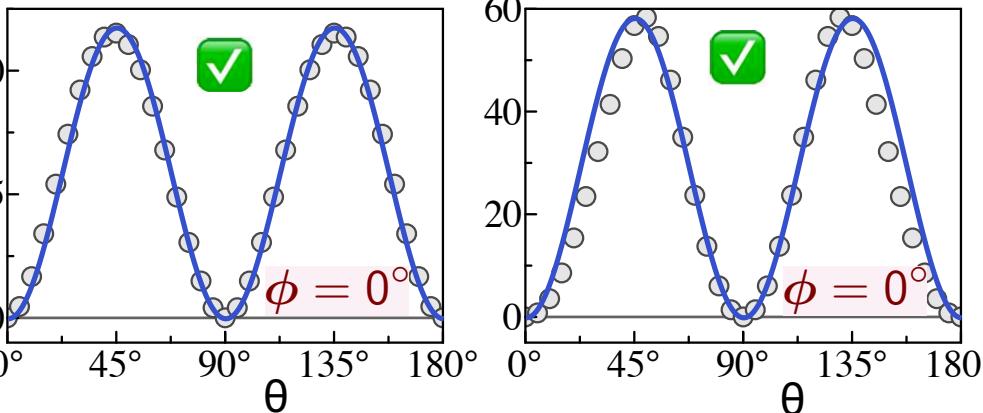
Coplanar

FeGe

MnGe

MnGe

Energy (meV)



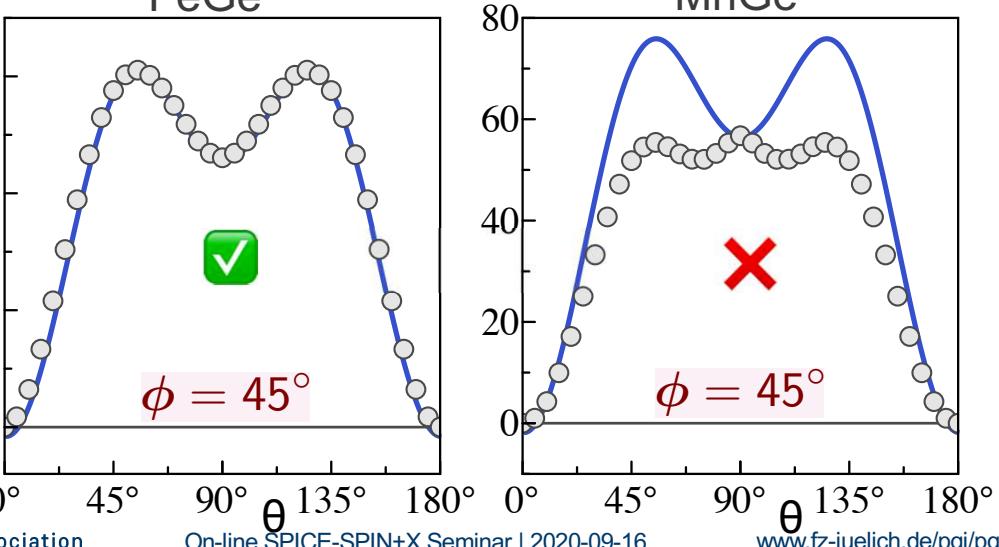
Non-coplanar

FeGe

MnGe

MnGe

Energy (meV)



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4th-order exchange interactions

$$E_4 = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{ijkl} k_{ijkl} (\mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j)(\mathbf{S}_k \cdot \mathbf{S}_l)$$

M. Hoffmann et al., PRB **101**, 024418 (2020)

- 4th-order Ex. describe the energy variation with θ well in FeGe.

- Energy scale for MnGe larger than for FeGe.

- Model-fit **deviates** strongly from the calculated curve in **MnGe** if the spins are **non-coplanar**.

Novel interaction is needed.

CONCEPT OF NEW INTERACTION

- ❖ Introduction of new chiral interaction :
topological-chiral interaction

- Chiral-Chiral Interaction (CCI)
- Spin-chiral Interaction (SCI)

- ❖ Phenomenological introduction
- ❖ Investigation of B20-FeGe, MnGe
- ❖ Sketch of more rigorous derivation

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TOM:
Topological Orbital Moment

$$\mathbf{L}_\Delta^{\text{TO}} = \kappa_\Delta^{\text{TO}} \mathbf{B}_\Delta^{\text{eff}}$$



$$\mathbf{B}^{\text{eff}} \propto \hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot (\partial_x \hat{\mathbf{n}} \times \partial_y \hat{\mathbf{n}})$$

skyrmions...



“slow”

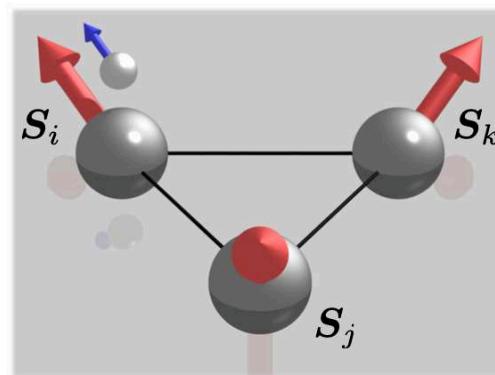
$$\chi_\Delta = \mathbf{S}_i \cdot (\mathbf{S}_j \times \mathbf{S}_k)$$

*scalar spin
chirality*

κ^{TO} : topological
orbital susceptibility

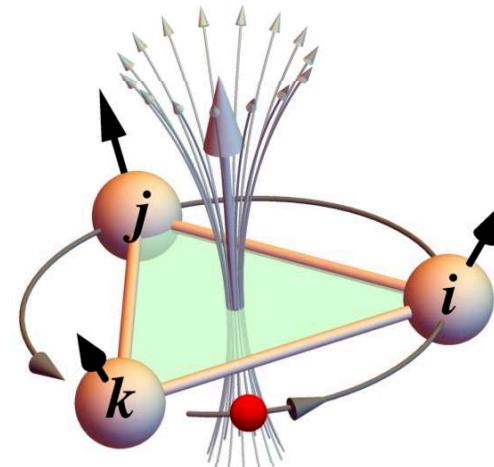
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Taguchi et al., Science **291**, 2573 (2001)
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Orbital effect: hopping in noncollinear background generates emergent “magnetic field”

EMERGENT FIELD AND TOPOLOGICAL ORBITAL MOMENT



Spin-Chirality

$$\chi_{ijk} = \mathbf{S}_i \cdot [\mathbf{S}_j \times \mathbf{S}_k]$$

Emergent B-field

$$\mathbf{B}^{\text{eff}} \sim \chi_{ijk} \boldsymbol{\tau}_{ijk} = \mathbf{S}_i \cdot [\mathbf{S}_j \times \mathbf{S}_k]$$

Topological Orbital moment

$$\mathbf{L}_{ijk}^{\text{TO}} = \kappa_{ijk}^{\text{TO}} \mathbf{S}_i \cdot [\mathbf{S}_j \times \mathbf{S}_k] \boldsymbol{\tau}_{ijk}$$

The total TOM per atom site

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{L}_i^{\text{TO}} &= \sum_{j,k} \mathbf{L}_{ijk}^{\text{TO}} = \\ &= \sum_{j,k} \kappa_{ijk}^{\text{TO}} \chi_{ijk} \boldsymbol{\tau}_{ijk}\end{aligned}$$

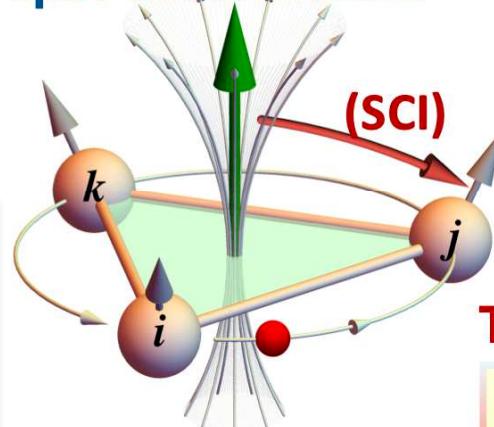
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$$E^{\text{SC}} = \kappa^{\text{SC}} \sum_i \mathbf{L}_i^{\text{TO}} \cdot \mathbf{S}_i = \\ = \sum_{i(jk)} \kappa_{ijk}^{\text{SC}} (\boldsymbol{\tau}_{ijk} \cdot \mathbf{S}_i) [\mathbf{S}_i \cdot (\mathbf{S}_j \times \mathbf{S}_k)]$$

Spin-Orbit Effects



Spin-Chirality

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- **SCI** is the 4-order 3-site interaction, arises as a result of a direct coupling between the **TOM** and local spins
- **SCI** depends on spin-orbit coupling (SOC)
- **SCI** is rotationally anisotropic interaction
- **SCI favours non-coplanar structures of scalar spin chirality of specific sign**

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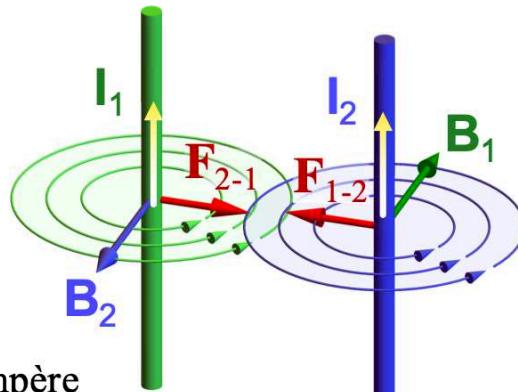
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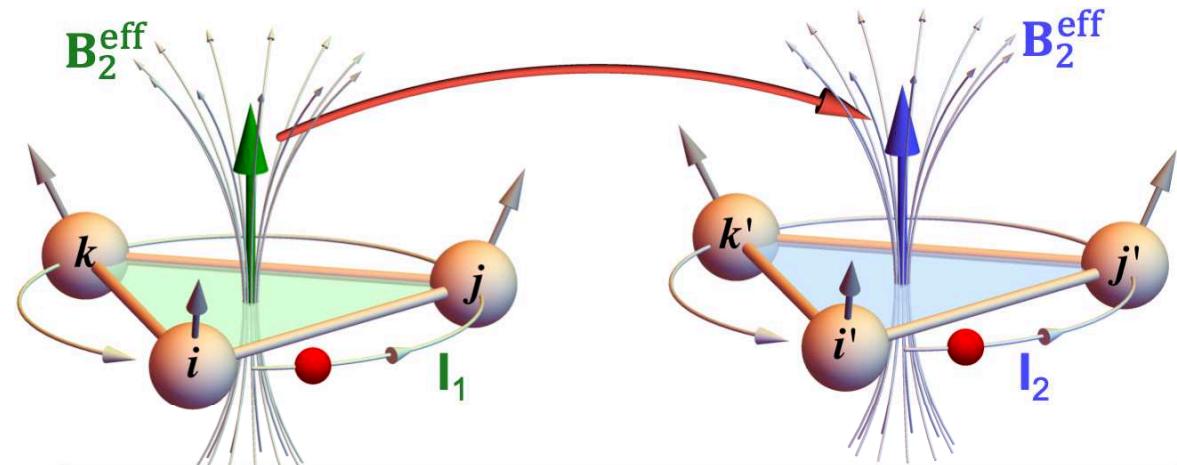


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Current-current interaction

$$E_{12} \approx -\frac{1}{2} M_{12} \mathbf{I}_1 \cdot \mathbf{I}_2$$



$$-\frac{1}{2} [\mathbf{S}_i \cdot (\mathbf{S}_j \times \mathbf{S}_k)] \tau_{ijk}^\dagger \varkappa_{ii'}^{\text{CC}} \tau_{i'j'k'} [\mathbf{S}_{i'} \cdot (\mathbf{S}_{j'} \times \mathbf{S}_{k'})]$$

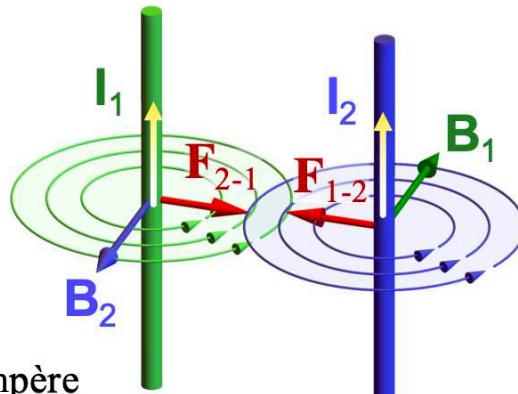
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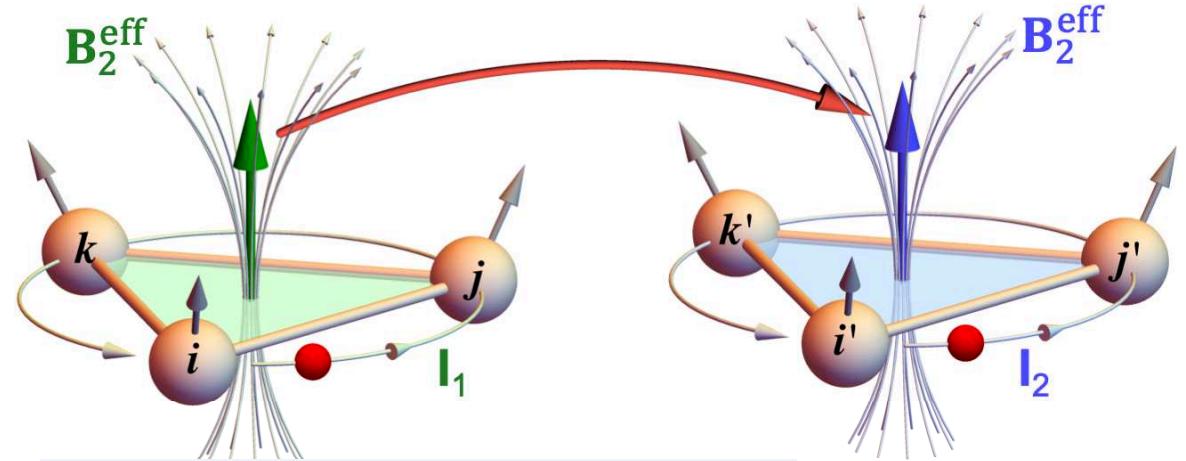
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Interaction of TOM with emergent field:

$$E^{CC} \sim 1/2 \varkappa^{\text{TOM}} \mathbf{L}_{\Delta}^{\text{TOM}} \cdot \mathbf{B}_{\Delta}^{\text{eff}}$$

Chiral-chiral interaction (CCI)

restriction to on-site triangular plaquette

$$E^{CC} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i(jk)} \varkappa_{ijk}^{\text{CC}} \chi_{ijk}^2 = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i(jk)} \varkappa_{ijk}^{\text{CC}} [\mathbf{S}_i \cdot (\mathbf{S}_j \times \mathbf{S}_k)]^2$$

CONTINUUM DESCRIPTION OF MAGNETIZATION TWIST

continuum representation: $\mathbf{S}_i \rightarrow \mathbf{m}(\mathbf{r}) = (m_1, m_2, m_3) : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{S}^2$ i.e. $|\mathbf{m}(\mathbf{r})| = 1$

$$\mathbf{m}(\mathbf{R}_j) = \mathbf{m}(\mathbf{R}_i + R_{ji} \hat{\mathbf{e}}_{ji}) \simeq \mathbf{m}(\mathbf{R}_i) + R_{ji} \sum_{\alpha} \frac{\partial \mathbf{m}}{\partial r_{\alpha}} \hat{\mathbf{e}}_{\alpha|ji} \quad \alpha \in \{x, y, z\}$$

Scalar chirality

$$\chi_{\triangle} = \mathbf{S}_i \cdot (\mathbf{S}_j \times \mathbf{S}_k) \longrightarrow \chi(\mathbf{r}) \propto \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot \tau(\mathbf{r})$$

solenoidal gyro-vector field $\mathbf{F} = (F_x, F_y, F_z)$ with $F_{\alpha} = \sum \varepsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma} f_{\beta\gamma}$
[induced Faddeev magnetic field]

[Berry curvarture]

$$f_{\beta\gamma} = \mathbf{m} \cdot \left[\frac{\partial \mathbf{m}}{\partial r_{\beta}} \times \frac{\partial \mathbf{m}}{\partial r_{\gamma}} \right] \quad \text{with } \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \{x, y, z\}$$

Topo. orbital moment

$$\mathbf{L}_i^{\text{TO}} = \sum_{(jk)} \kappa_{jk}^{\text{TO}} \chi_{ijk} \tau_{ijk} \longrightarrow \ell^{\text{TO}}(\mathbf{r}) = \underline{\kappa}^{\text{TO}} \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r})$$

Reminder skyrmions (2D): $f_{\beta\gamma}(\mathbf{r}) \longrightarrow q(x, y) = \mathbf{m} \cdot \left[\frac{\partial \mathbf{m}}{\partial x} \times \frac{\partial \mathbf{m}}{\partial y} \right]$ with $Q = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} d\mathbf{r} q$

MICROMAGNETIC: TOPOLOGICAL-CHIRAL INTERACTION

Chiral-chiral interaction (CCI) $E^{CC} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i(jk)} \varkappa_{ijk}^{CC} \chi_{ijk}^2 \rightarrow E_{mm}^{CC} = -\frac{1}{2} \int d\mathbf{r} \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot \underline{\varkappa}^{CC} \cdot \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r})$



Faddeev Model: Heisenberg + Faddeev term

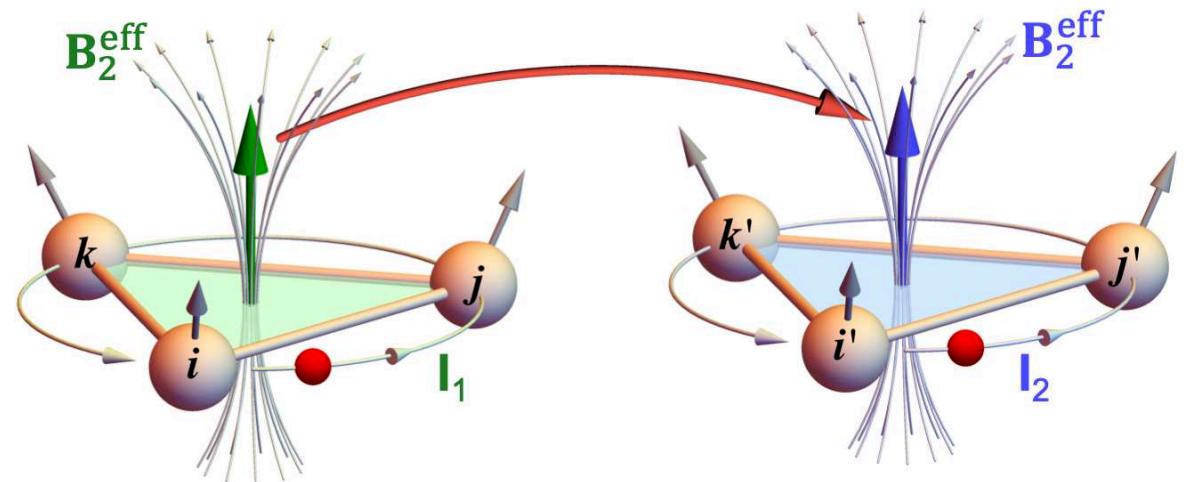
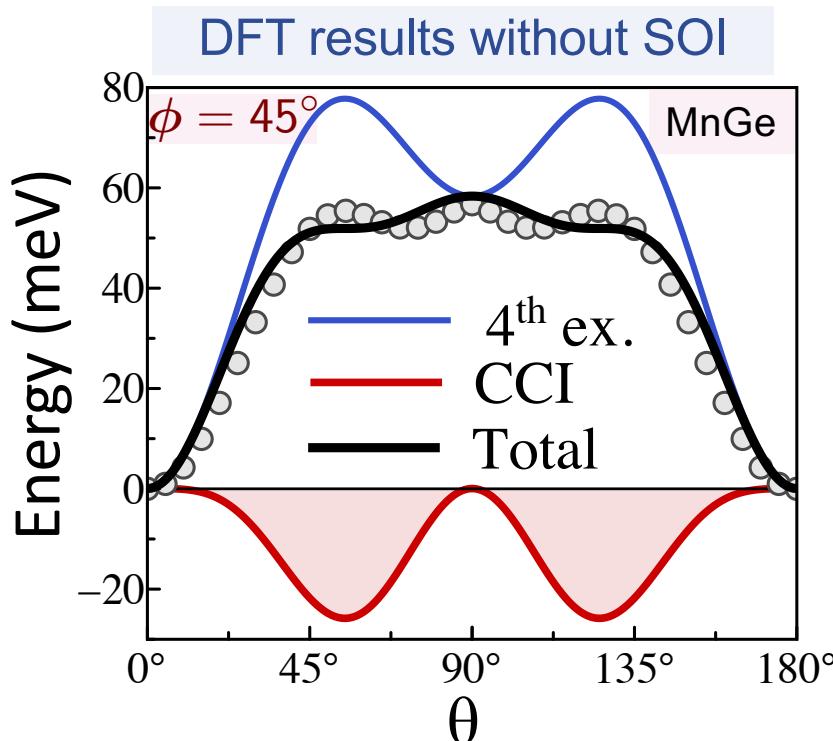
$$E(\mathbf{m}) = E_{mm}^{\text{Heis}} + E_{mm}^{CC} = -\frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} d\mathbf{r} (A |\nabla \mathbf{m}(\mathbf{r})|^2 + \varkappa^{CC} |\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r})|^2)$$

Faddeev, Lett. Math. Phys. 1, 289 (1976)

Solution: Hopfions with Hopf number $H(\mathbf{m}) = \left(\frac{1}{4\pi} \right)^2 \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} d\mathbf{r} \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{F}$ with $\mathbf{F} = \nabla \times \mathbf{A}$
vector potential to divergence-free \mathbf{F}

Spin-chiral interaction (SCI) $E^{SC} = \sum_i \varkappa_i^{SC} \mathbf{L}_i^{\text{TO}} \cdot \mathbf{S}_i \rightarrow E_{mm}^{SC} = \int d\mathbf{r} \mathbf{m}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot \underline{\varkappa}^{SC} \cdot \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{r})$

NEW: CHIRAL-CHIRAL INTERACTION (CCI)



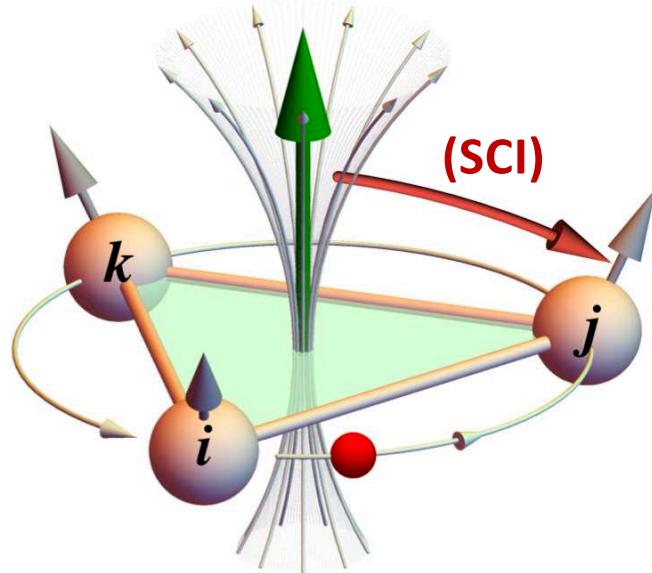
Chiral-chiral interaction (CCI)

restriction to on-site triangular plaquette

$$E^{CC} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i(jk)} \varkappa_{ijk}^{CC} \chi_{ijk}^2 = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i(jk)} \varkappa_{ijk}^{CC} [\mathbf{S}_i \cdot (\mathbf{S}_j \times \mathbf{S}_k)]^2$$

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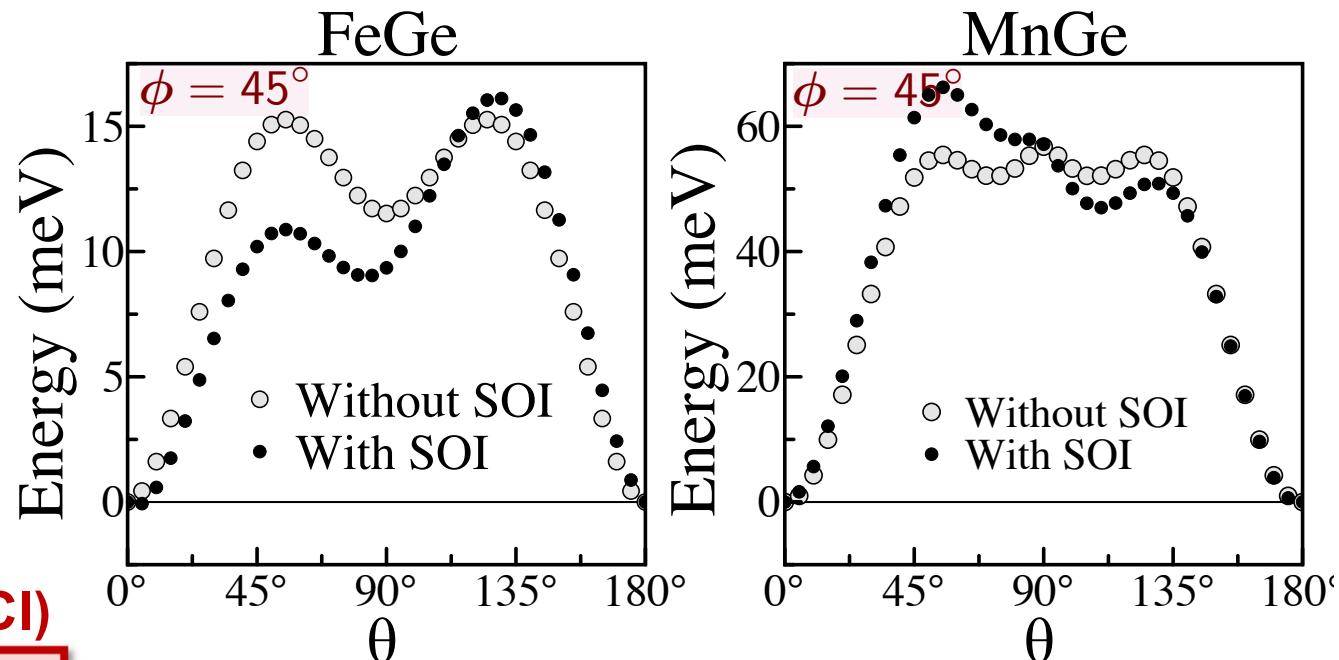
Spin-Orbit Effects



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$$\begin{aligned} E^{\text{SC}} &= \varkappa^{\text{SC}} \sum_i \mathbf{L}_i^{\text{TO}} \cdot \mathbf{S}_i = \\ &= \sum_{i(jk)} \varkappa_{ijk}^{\text{SC}} (\boldsymbol{\tau}_{ijk} \cdot \mathbf{S}_i) [\mathbf{S}_i \cdot (\mathbf{S}_j \times \mathbf{S}_k)] \end{aligned}$$

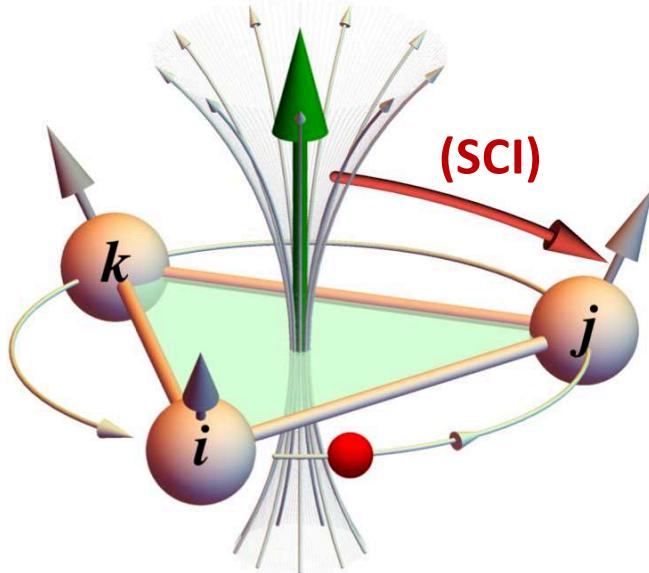
Recall: DFT results



Take energy difference between results with and without SOI

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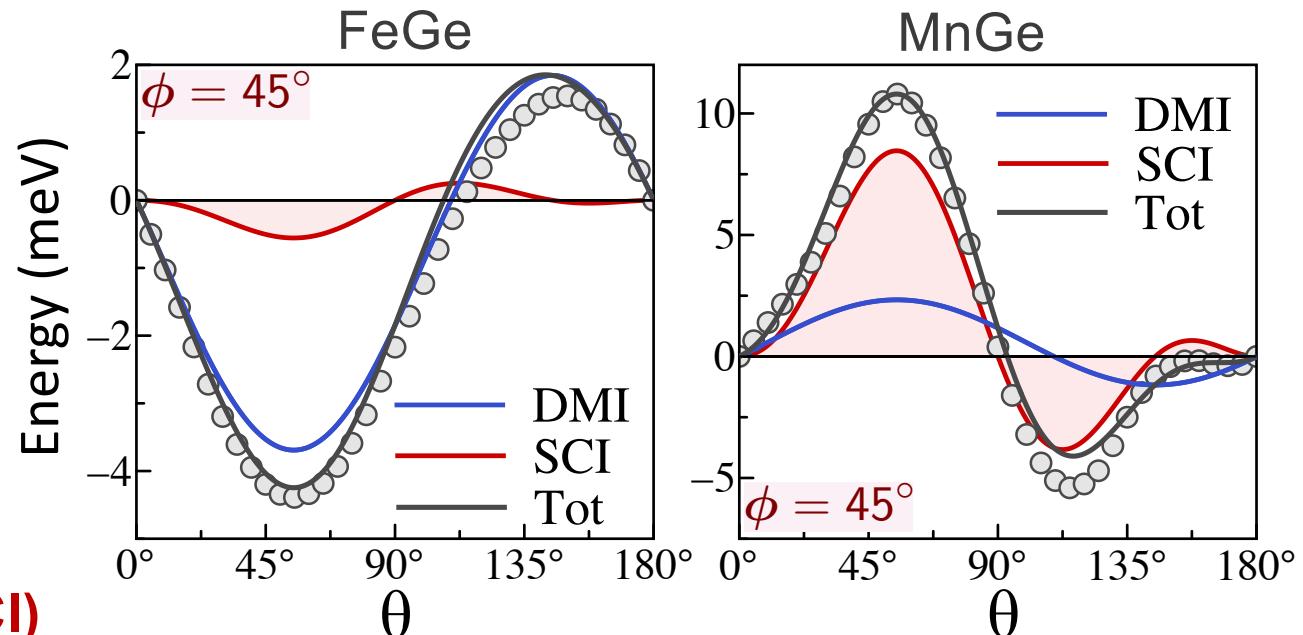
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DFT results due to Spin-Orbit Interaction (SOI)

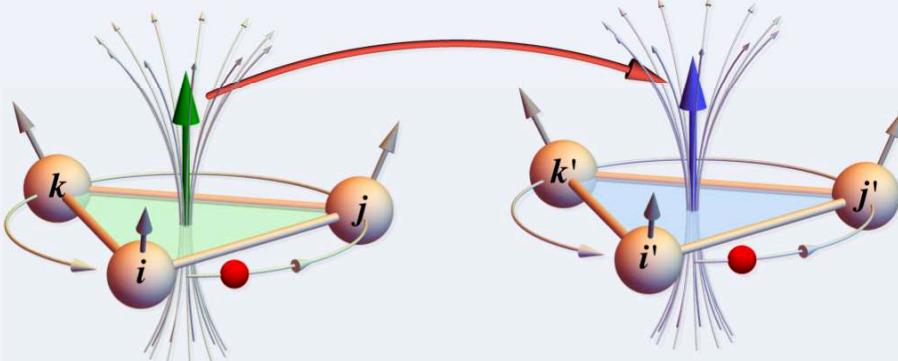


- **SCI** dominates DMI in MnGe
- DMI dominates **SCI** in FeGe
- **SCI + DMI** describe total contributions to SOI well.

CONCLUSIONS

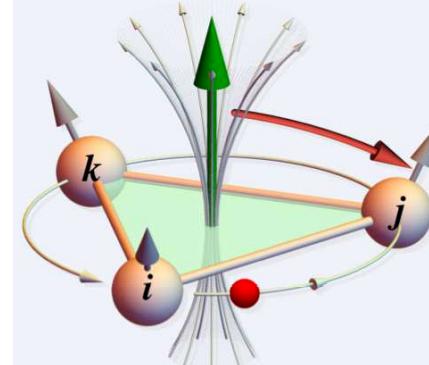
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1. Chiral-chiral interaction (CCI)



- CCI is the 6-order 3-site interaction rooting in the Zeeman interaction of the TOM with the emergent magnetic field due to the chirality
- It is **rotationally invariant** chiral interaction
- Found interactions could be a key in resolving the pending puzzle of spin structure in MnGe.
- New Interactions may serve as a fruitful platform for promoting new classes of chiral magnetic materials and discovery of novel chiral phases with the prospect of Hopfions.
- B20-materials are beyond-Heisenberg solids with important 4-spin contributions.

2. Spin-chiral interaction (SCI)



- SCI is the 4-order 3-site interaction, arises as a result of a direct coupling between the **TOM** and local spins.
- It is **rotationally anisotropic** interaction, favours non-coplanar structures of scalar spin chirality of specific sign.
- It dominates DMI in MnGe

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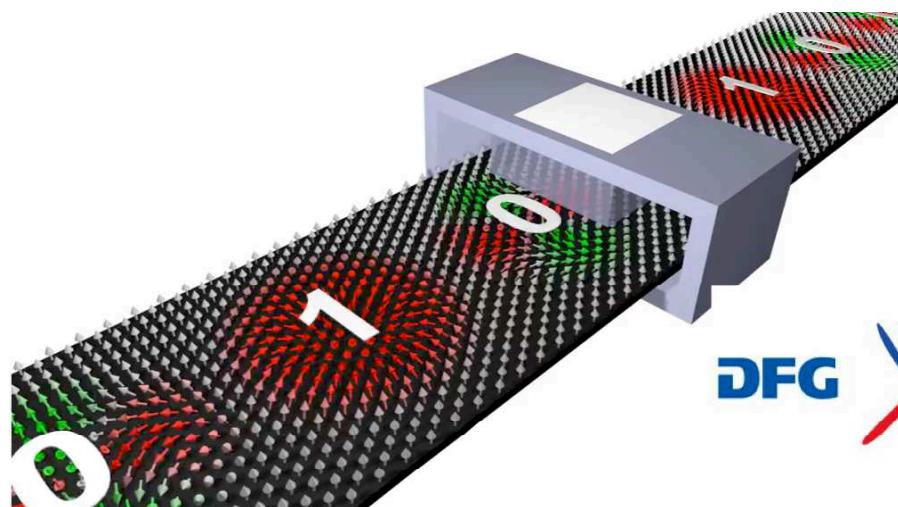
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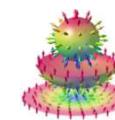
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