

Multiferroic and magnetoelectric materials



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Lectures

- Multiferroic and magnetoelectric materials: Phenomenology and microscopic mechanisms of magnetoelectric coupling.
- Ferroelectric properties of magnetic defects. Toroidal magnetoelectrics. Electromagnons.

Outline

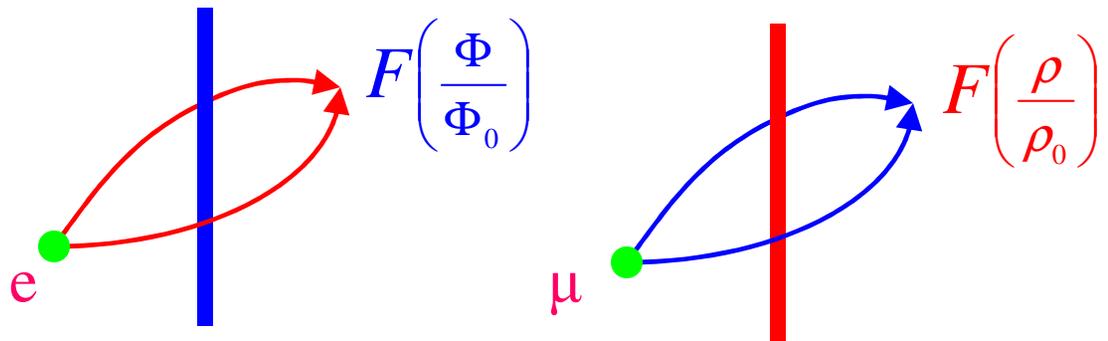
- Broken symmetries
- Linear magnetoelectric effect and magnetically –induced ferroelectricity
- Phenomenological description
- Microscopic mechanisms of magnetoelectric coupling

Electric \leftrightarrow Magnetic

- Duality of Maxwell equations

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla \times \mathbf{E} = -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \mathbf{H}}{\partial t} \\ \nabla \times \mathbf{H} = +\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \mathbf{E}}{\partial t} \end{array} \right. \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{E} \rightarrow \mathbf{H} \\ \mathbf{H} \rightarrow -\mathbf{E} \end{array} \right.$$

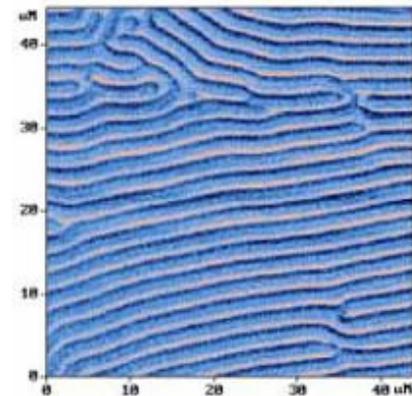
- Aharonov-Bohm
Aharonov-Casher



- Thermodynamics of ferroelectrics and ferromagnets

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Phi_{FE} = aP^2 + bP^4 - PE \\ \Phi_{FM} = aM^2 + bM^4 - MH \end{array} \right.$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla \times \mathbf{E} = 0 \\ \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{E} + 4\pi \mathbf{P}) = 0 \end{array} \right. \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \nabla \times \mathbf{H} = 0 \\ \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{H} + 4\pi \mathbf{M}) = 0 \end{array} \right.$$



Transformation properties

polar vectors

$$\mathbf{E} = -\nabla\varphi \quad \mathbf{P} = -\nabla\rho$$

axial vectors

$$\mathbf{H} = \nabla \times \mathbf{A} \quad \mathbf{L} = \mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{p}$$

inversion I $(x, y, z) \rightarrow (-x, -y, -z)$

$$\mathbf{E} \rightarrow -\mathbf{E} \quad \mathbf{P} \rightarrow -\mathbf{P} \quad \mathbf{H} \rightarrow \mathbf{H} \quad \mathbf{M} \rightarrow \mathbf{M}$$

time reversal T $t \rightarrow -t$

$$\mathbf{E} \rightarrow \mathbf{E} \quad \mathbf{P} \rightarrow \mathbf{P} \quad \mathbf{H} \rightarrow -\mathbf{H} \quad \mathbf{M} \rightarrow -\mathbf{M}$$

mirror $m_{yz} = m_x$ $(x, y, z) \rightarrow (-x, y, z)$

$$(P_x, P_y, P_z) \rightarrow (-P_x, P_y, P_z) \quad (M_x, M_y, M_z) \rightarrow (M_x, -M_y, -M_z)$$

180°-rotation 2_x $(x, y, z) \rightarrow (x, -y, -z)$

$$(P_x, P_y, P_z) \rightarrow (P_x, -P_y, -P_z) \quad (M_x, M_y, M_z) \rightarrow (M_x, -M_y, -M_z)$$

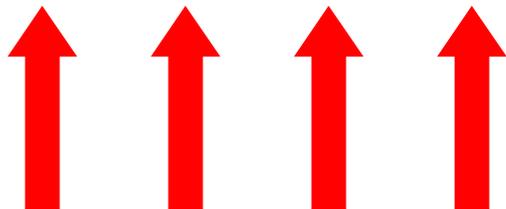
Time-reversal symmetry breaking in magnets

$$\langle \mathbf{S} \rangle \neq 0$$

$$\mathbf{S}(-t) = -\mathbf{S}(t)$$

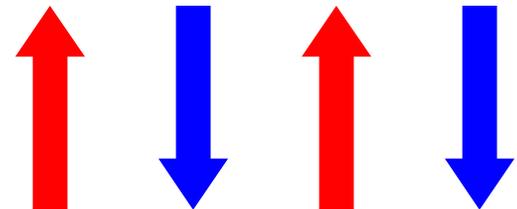
Ferromagnets

$$\mathbf{M} \neq 0$$

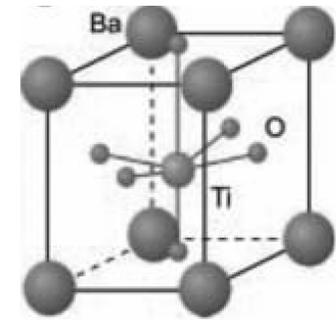


Antiferromagnets

$$\mathbf{M} = 0$$



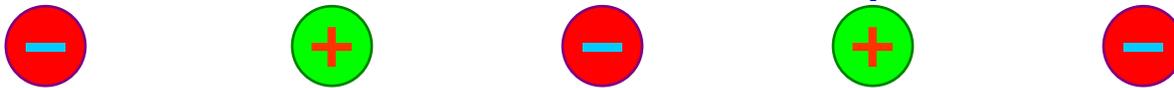
Inversion symmetry breaking in ferroelectrics



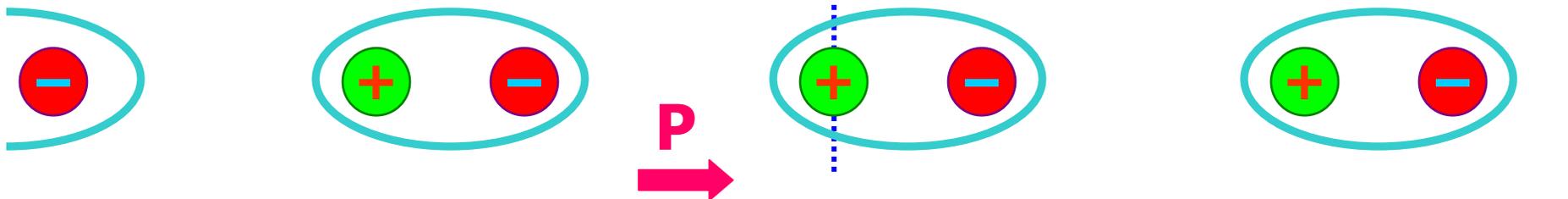
BaTiO₃

$$\mathbf{P}(-\mathbf{x}) = -\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{x})$$

Centrosymmetric



Noncentrosymmetric



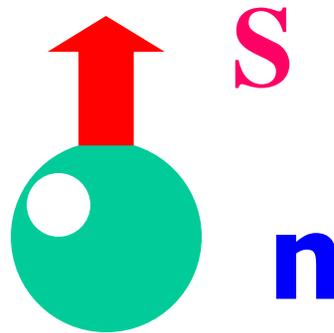
Electric dipole moment of neutron

inversion

$$\mathbf{x} \rightarrow -\mathbf{x}$$

$$\mathbf{d} \rightarrow -\mathbf{d}$$

$$\mathbf{S} \rightarrow +\mathbf{S}$$



$$\mathbf{d} \propto \mathbf{S}$$

time reversal

$$t \rightarrow -t$$

$$\mathbf{d} \rightarrow +\mathbf{d}$$

$$\mathbf{S} \rightarrow -\mathbf{S}$$

Electric dipole moment is only nonzero if both spatial parity and time reversal symmetry are broken

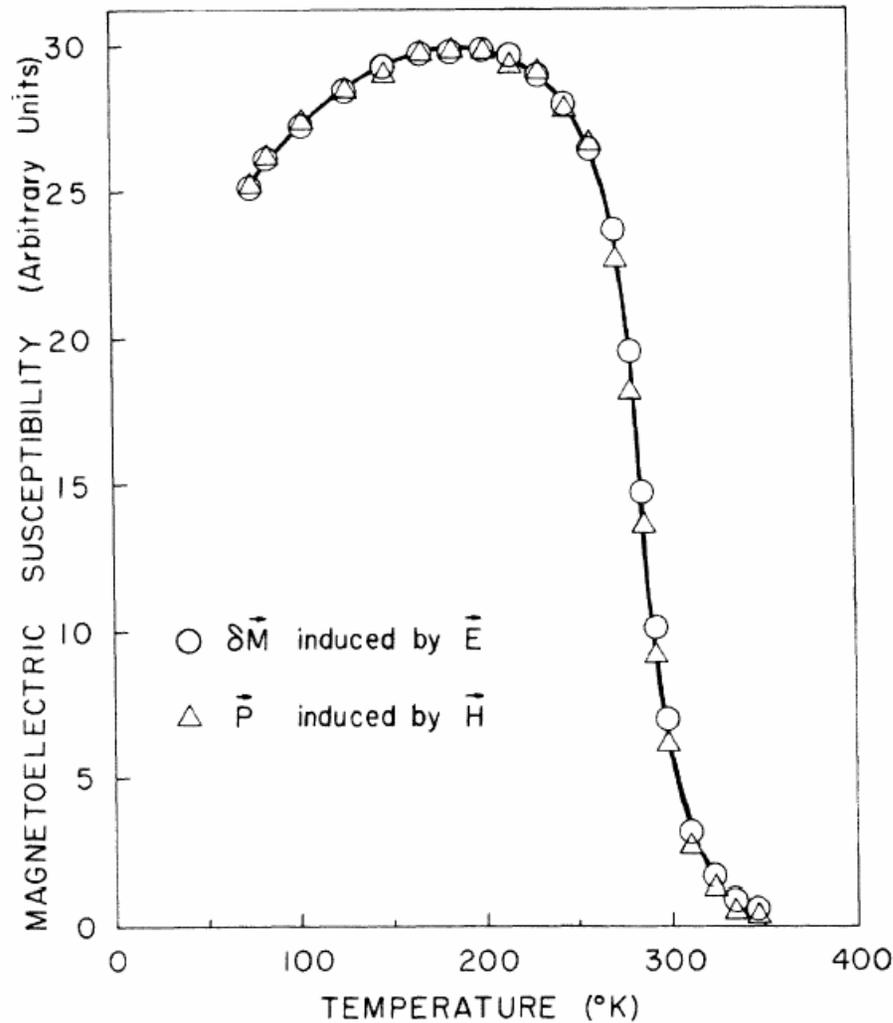
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Linear magnetoelectric effect



*I. E. Dzyaloshinskii JETP **10** 628 (1959),
D. N. Astrov, JETP **11** 708 (1960)*



$$P = \chi_e E + \alpha H$$

$$M = \alpha E + \chi_m H$$

*G.T. Rado PRL **13** 335 (1964)*

Multiferroics

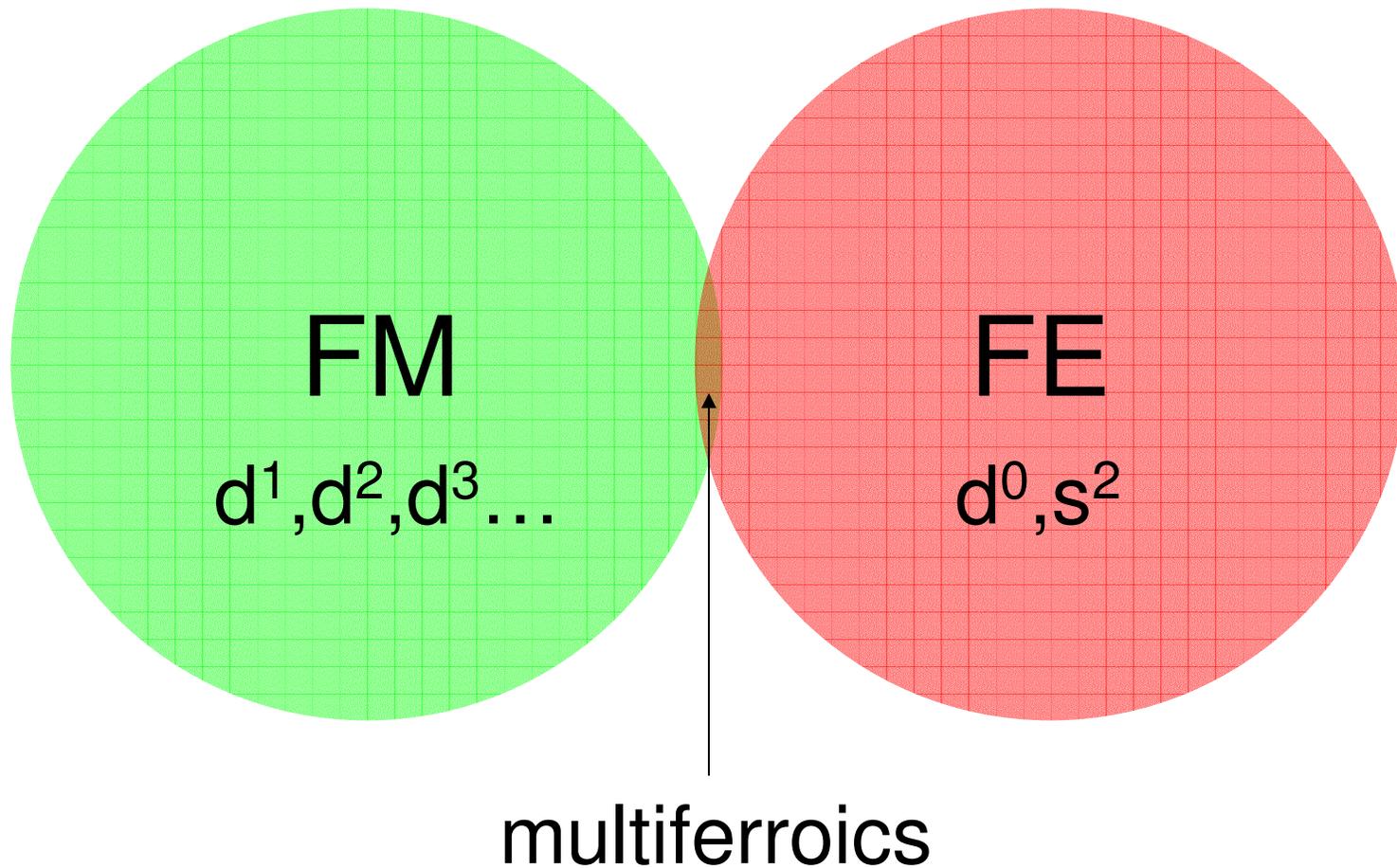
- Both ferroelectric and magnetic
- Coupling between **P** and **M**



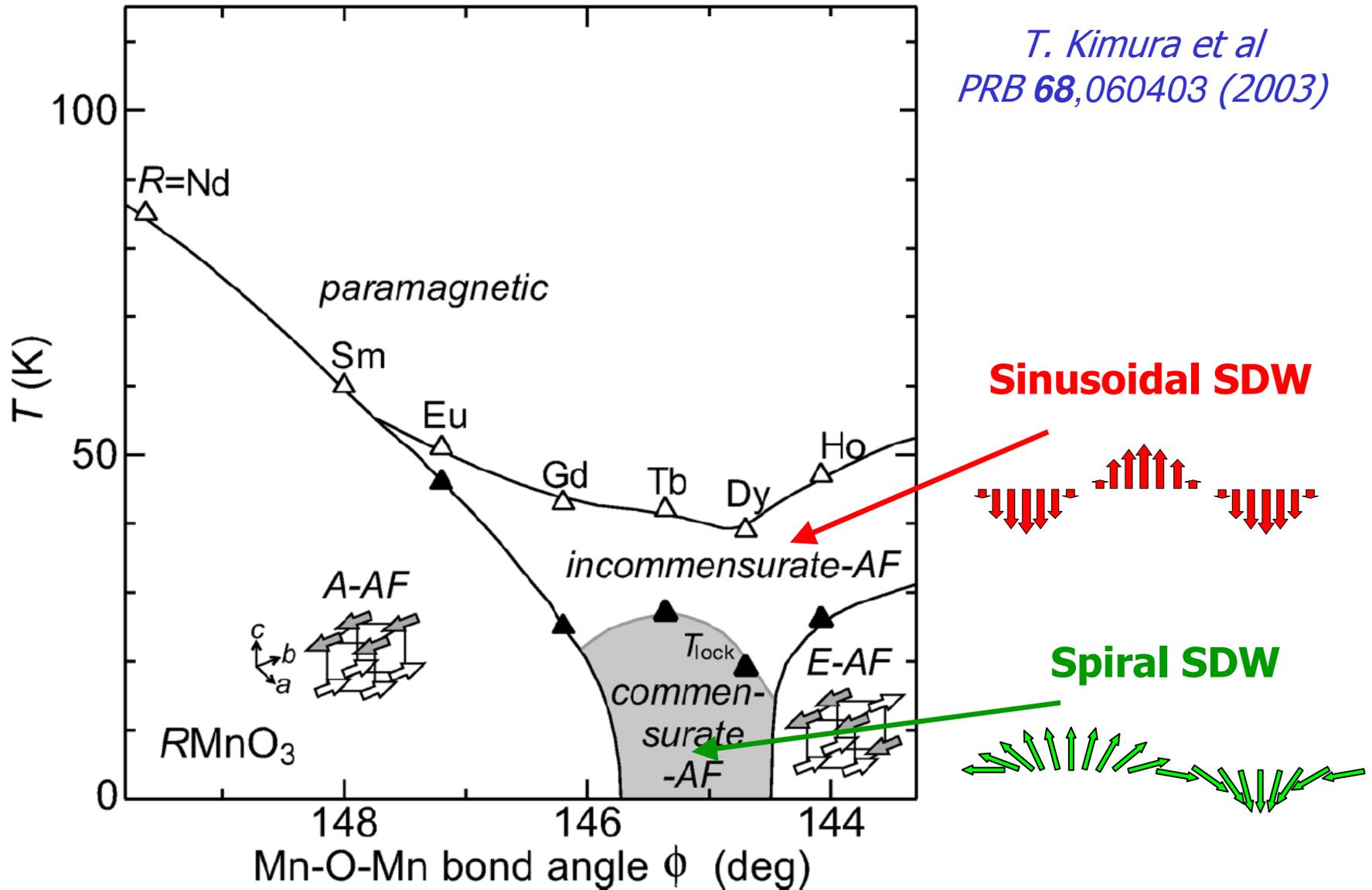
G. A. Smolenskii



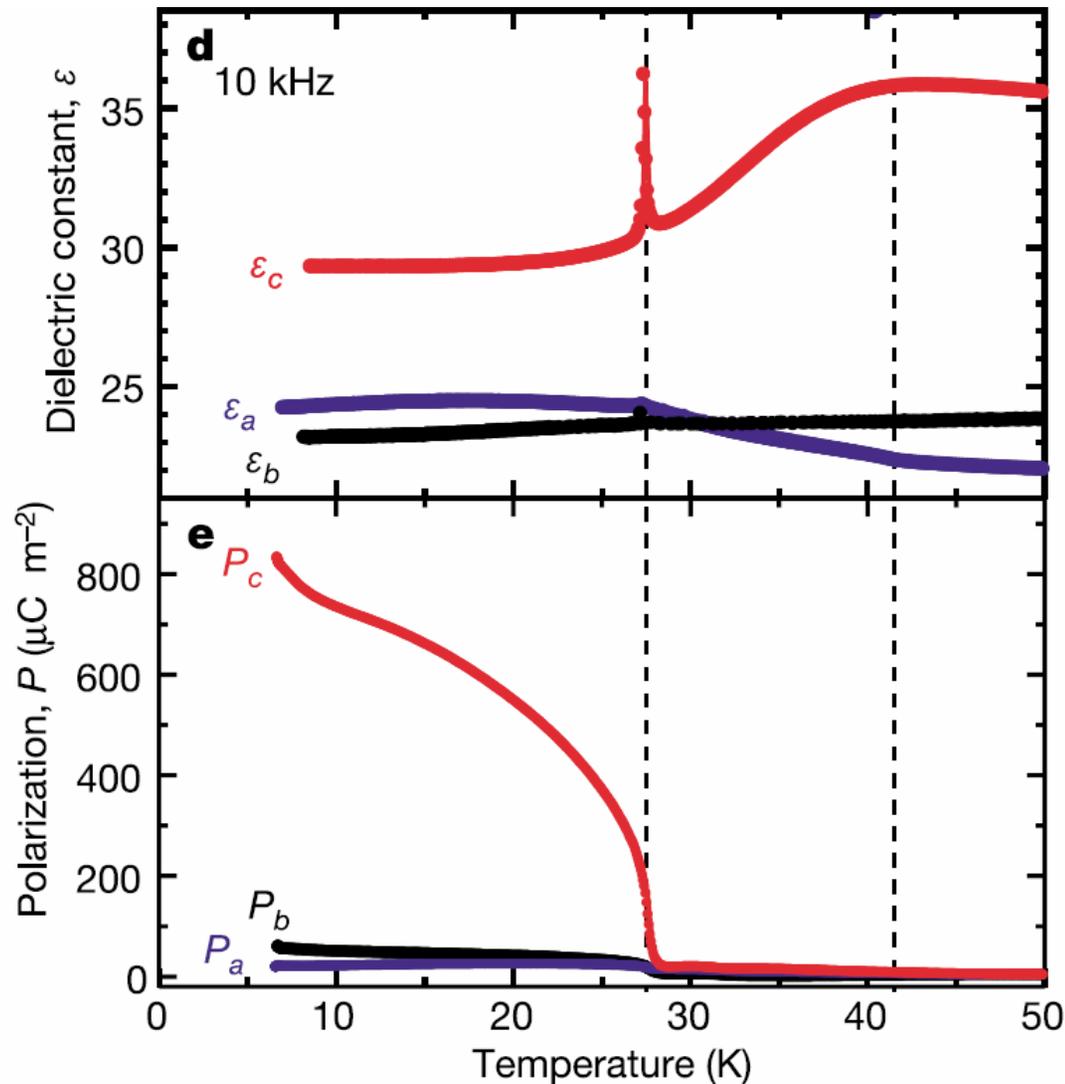
No chemistry between magnetism and ferroelectricity



Orthorhombic RMnO_3

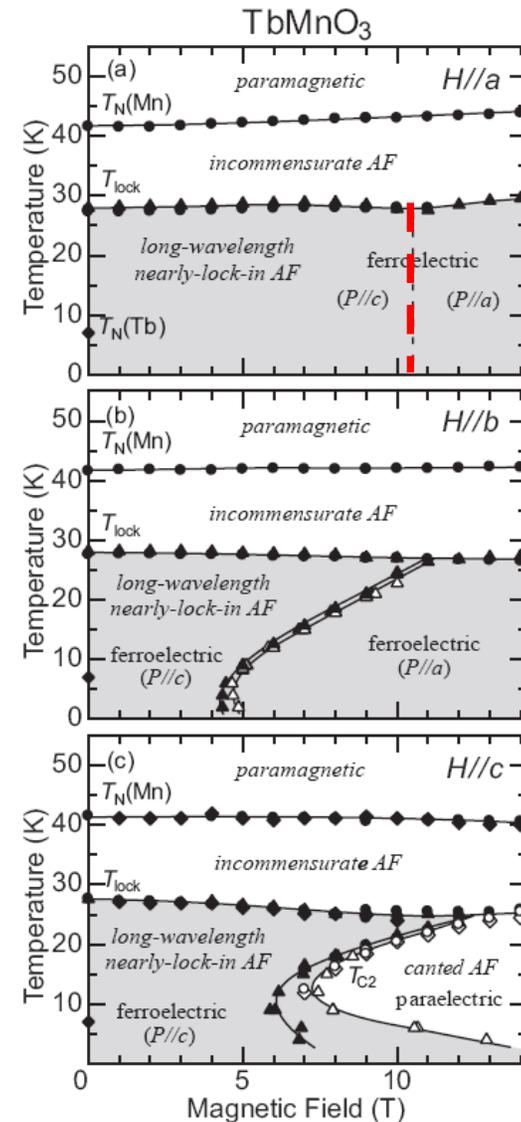
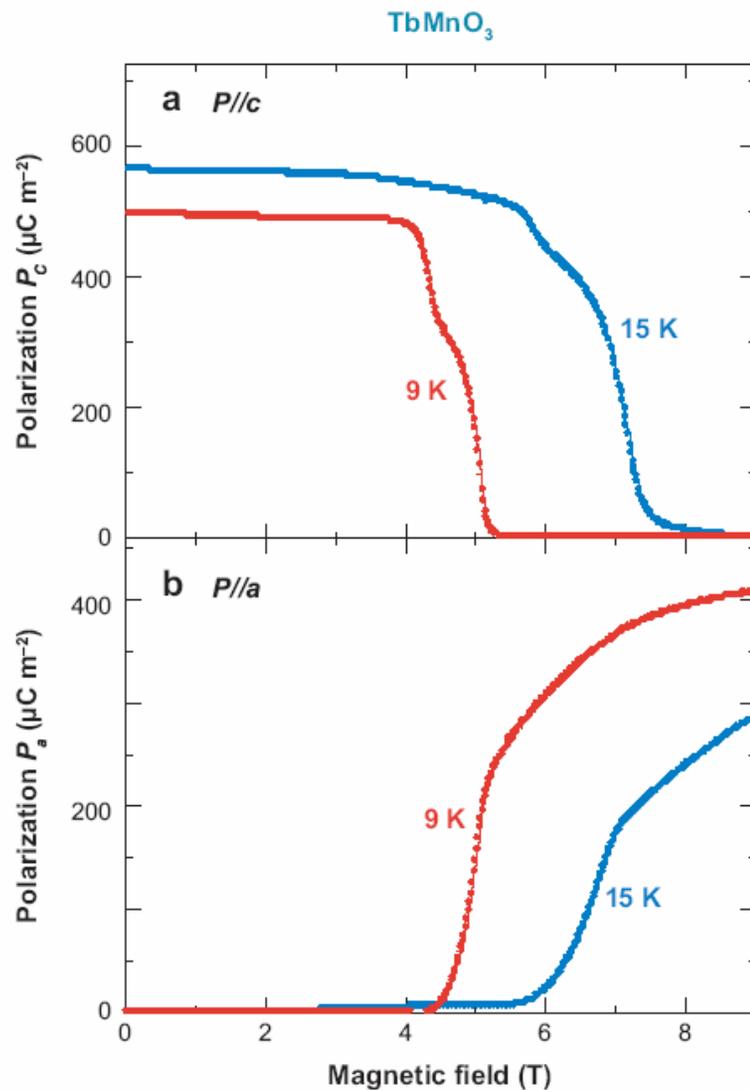


Dielectric constant anomaly at the transition to spiral state



T. Kimura et al, Nature 426, 55 (2003)

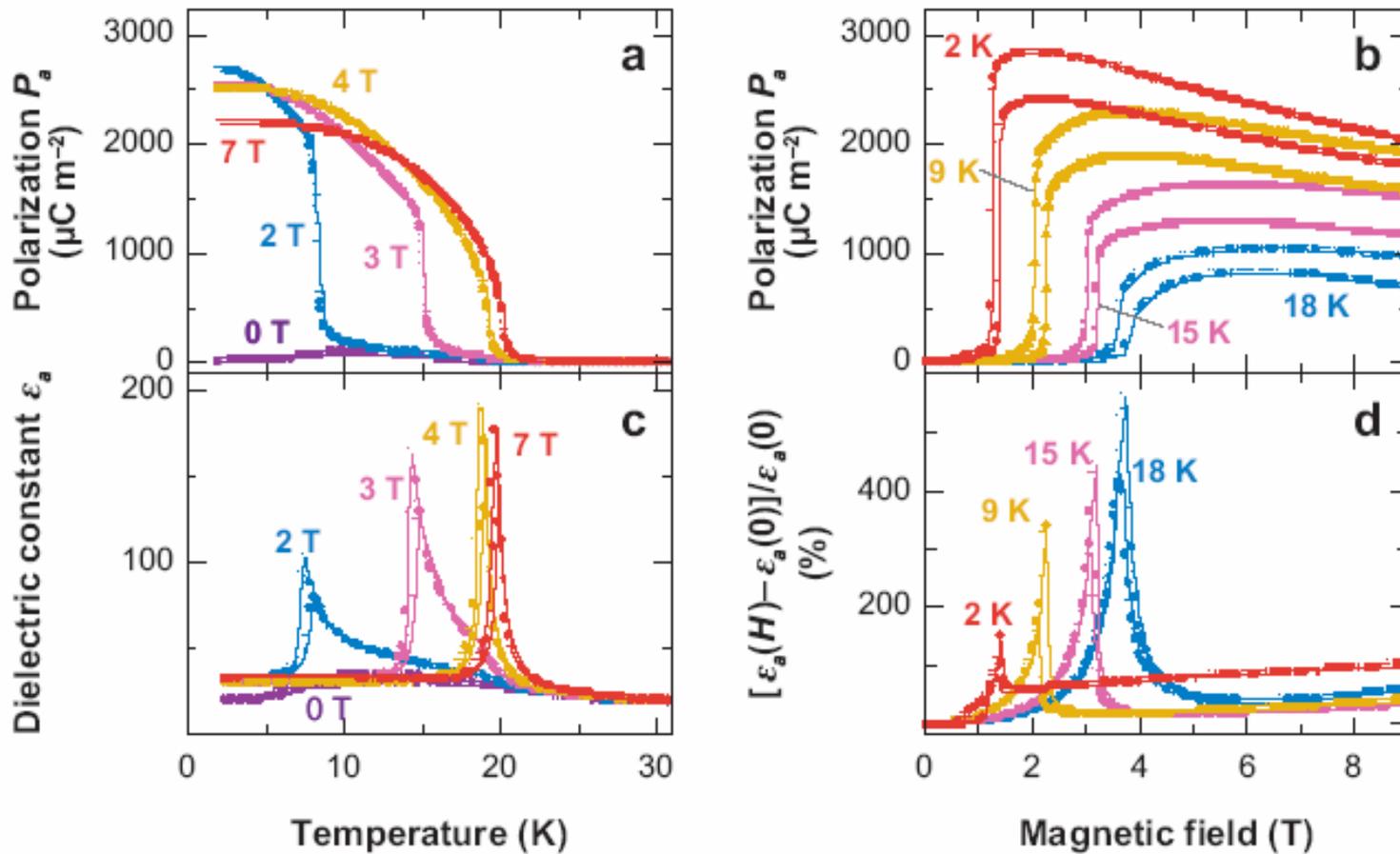
Polarization switching by magnetic field



T. Kimura Annu. Rev. Mater. Res. 37 387(2007)

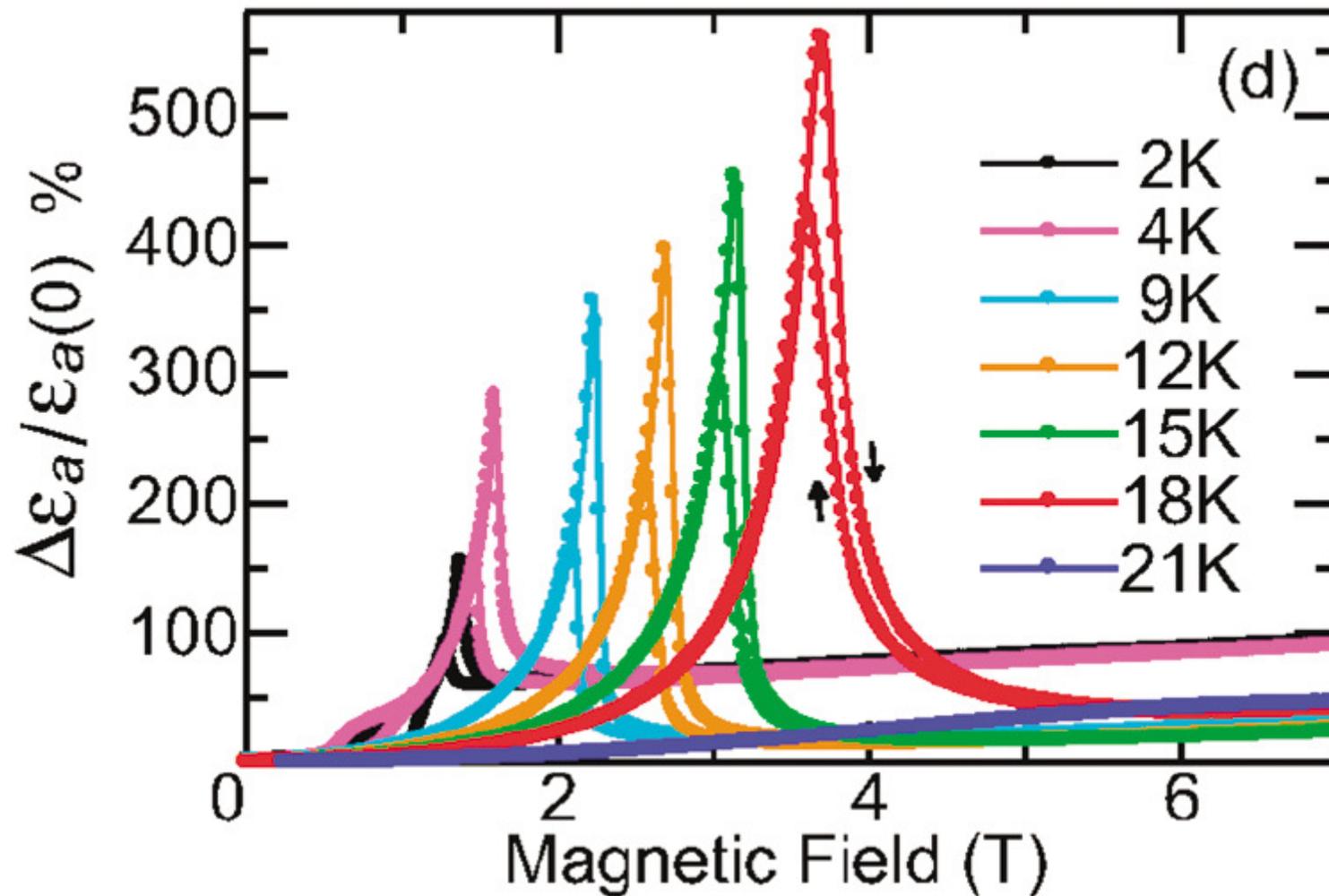
Magnetic control of dielectric properties

DyMnO_3 ($H//b$)



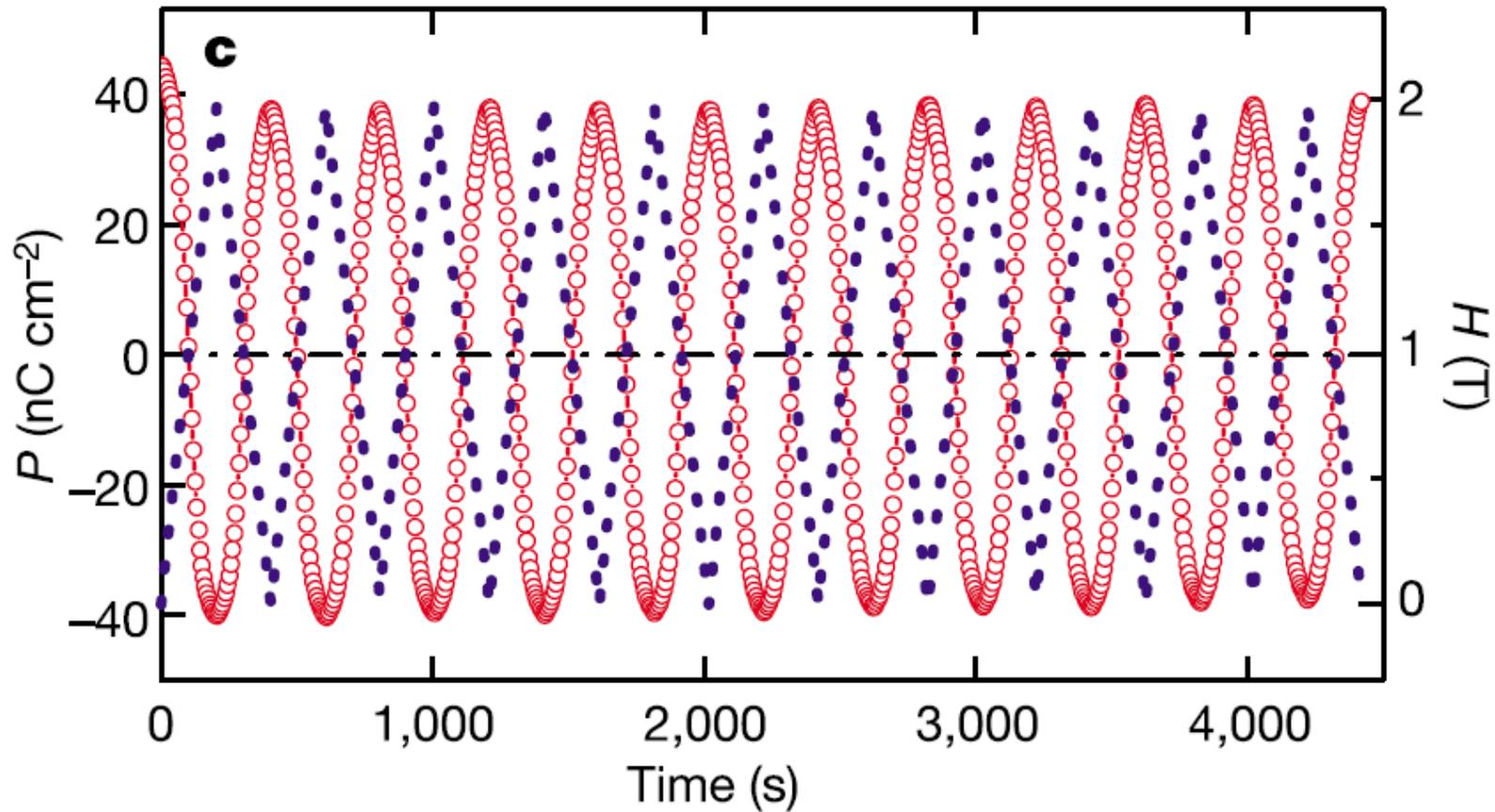
T. Kimura *Annu. Rev. Mater. Res.* **37** 387(2007)

Giant magnetocapacitance effect in DyMnO_3



T. Goto et al PRL 92, 257201 (2004)

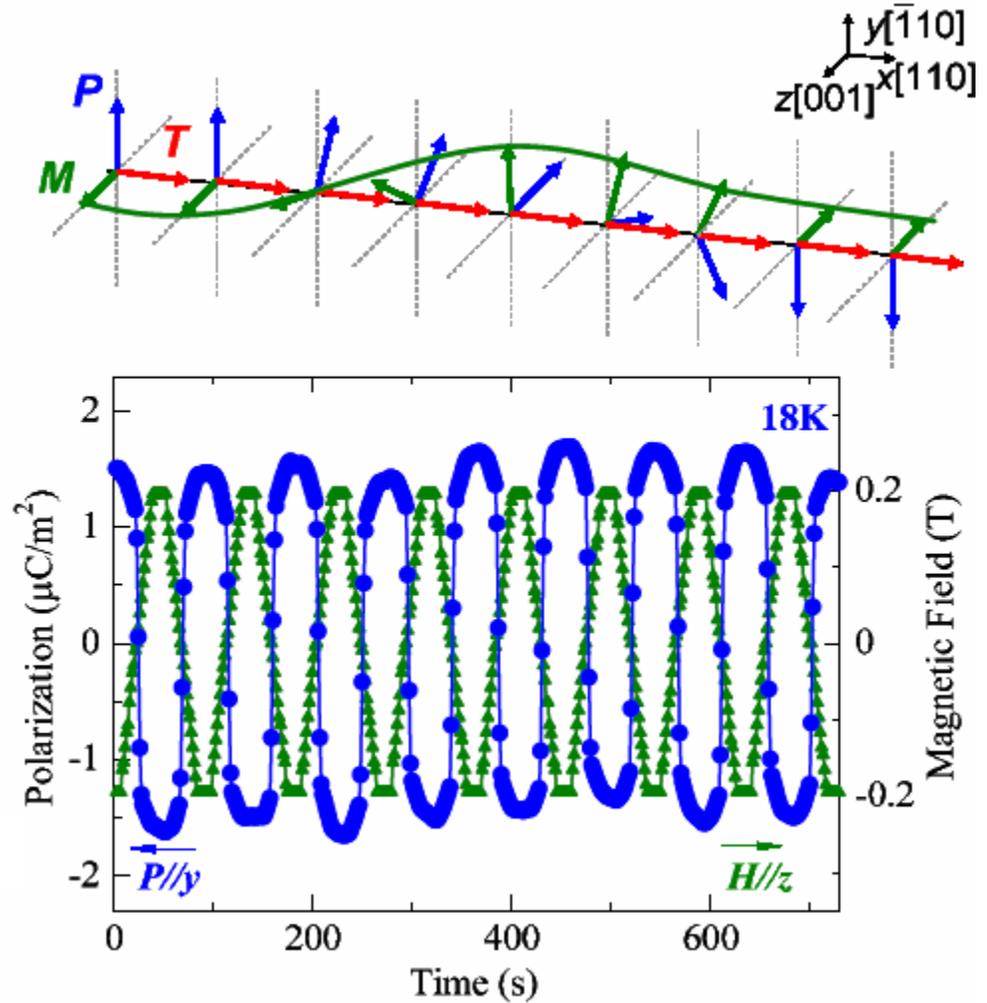
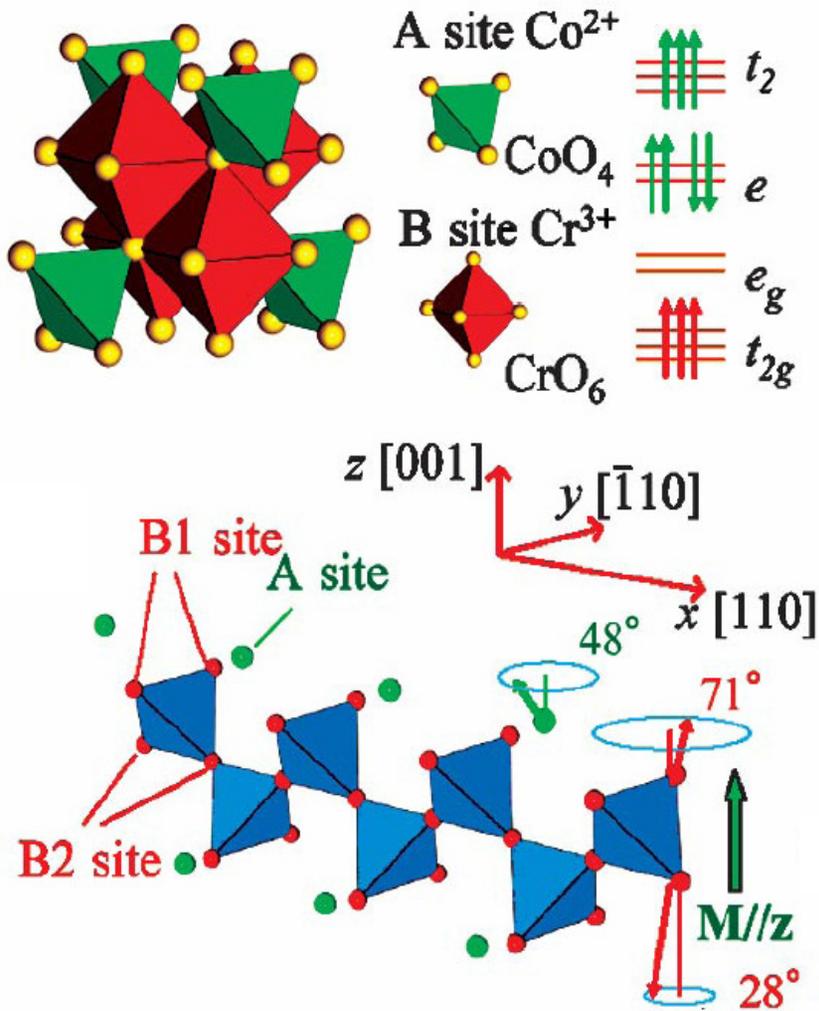
Electric polarization reversals in TbMn_2O_5



N. Hur et al Nature 429, 392 (2004)

CoCr₂O₄

$\mathbf{P} \times \mathbf{M}$ is conserved



Y. Yamasaki et al, PRL 96, 207204 (2006)

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Linear magnetoelectric effect

Cr₂O₃ *I.E. Dzyaloshinskii (1959), D.N. Astrov (1960)*

$$\Phi_{\text{me}} = -\alpha_{ij} E_i H_j$$
$$P_i = -\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial E_i} = \alpha_{ij} H_j$$
$$M_i = -\frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial H_i} = \alpha_{ji} E_j$$

Time-reversal symmetry T ($t \rightarrow -t$)
and inversion I ($\mathbf{r} \rightarrow -\mathbf{r}$) are broken

Symmetric under time reversal
combined with inversion, IT : ($t \rightarrow -t$, $\mathbf{r} \rightarrow -\mathbf{r}$),
or mirror, e.g. ($t \rightarrow -t$, $x \rightarrow -x$)



magnetic point group
 $\bar{3}'m'$

Symmetries of low-T phase: $1, 3(2_{\perp}), \pm 3_z, \bar{1}', 3(m'_{\perp}), \pm \bar{3}'_z$

	I'	2_x	3_z
$\begin{pmatrix} E_x \\ E_y \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$	$R_{2\pi/3}$
E_z	-1	-1	+1
$\begin{pmatrix} H_x \\ H_y \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$	$R_{2\pi/3}$
H_z	-1	-1	+1

Inversion combined with time reversal

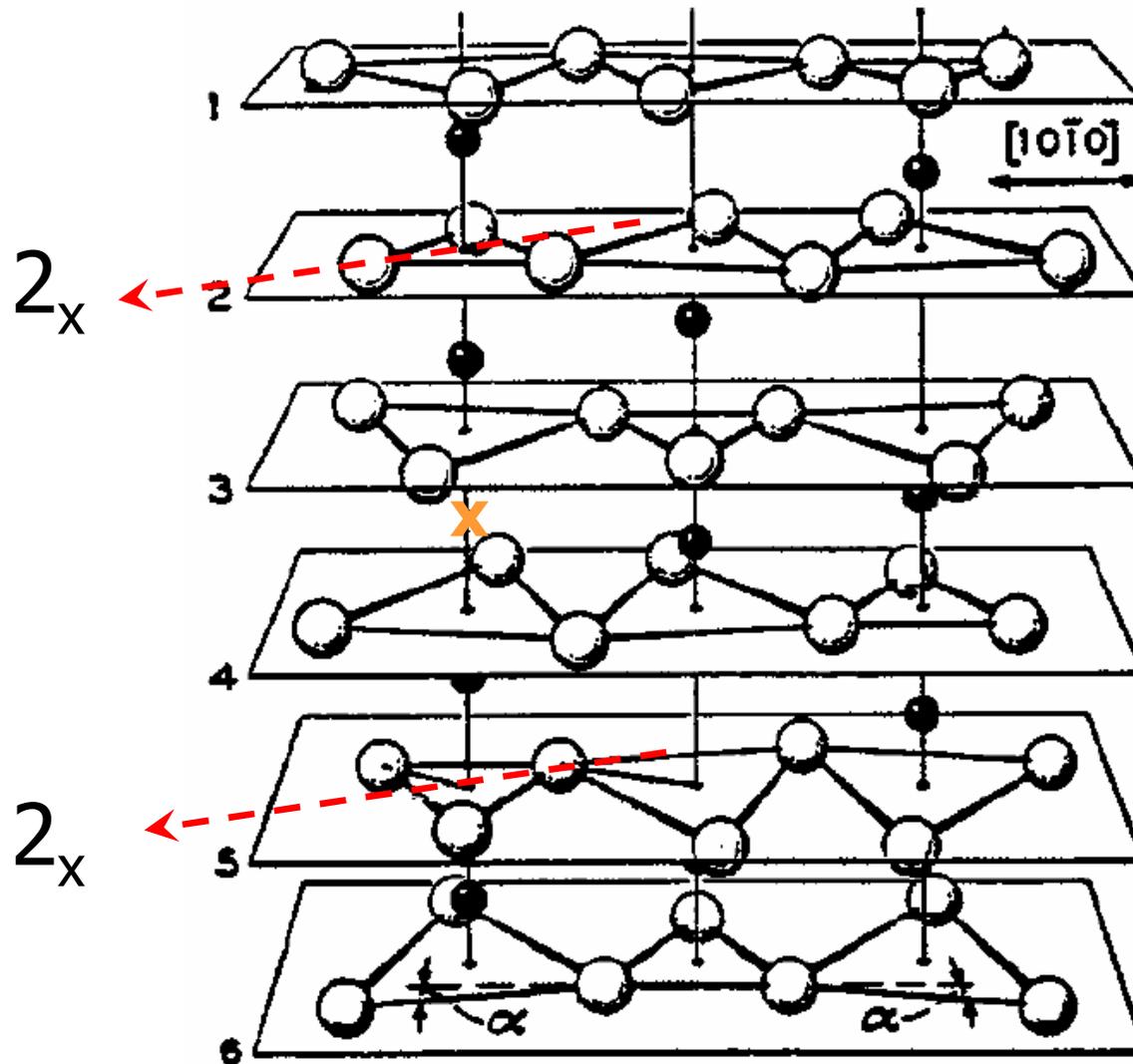
$$I' = IT$$

120°-rotation

$$R_{2\pi/3} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & \sqrt{3} \\ -\sqrt{3} & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Invariants: $F_{me} = -\alpha_{\parallel} E_z H_z - \alpha_{\perp} (E_x H_x + E_y H_y)$

Crystal structure of Cr_2O_3



Cr₂O₃

AFM order parameter $T_N = 306\text{K}$

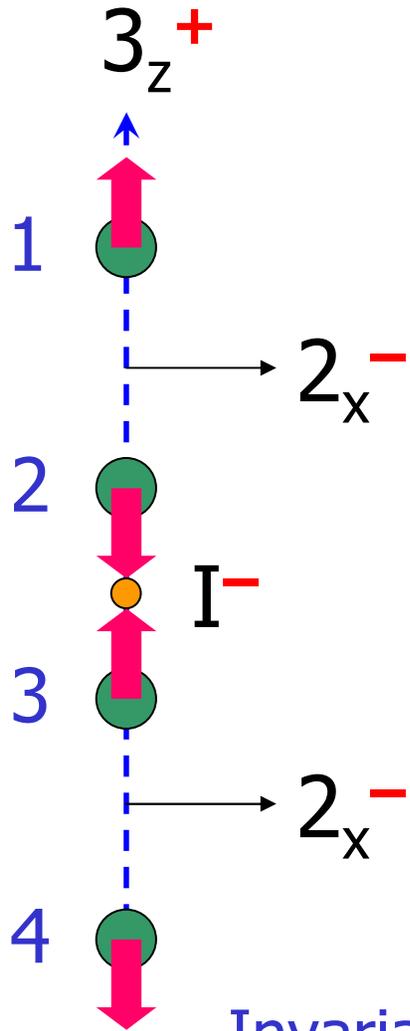
$$\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{M}_1 - \mathbf{M}_2 + \mathbf{M}_3 - \mathbf{M}_4 \quad L_z \neq 0$$

symmetries of paramagnetic phase

	I	2_x	3_z
L_z	-	+	+
E_z	-	-	+
H_z	+	-	+

point group
 $\bar{3}m$

1, $3(2_\perp)$, $\pm 3_z$
 $\bar{1}$, $3(m_\perp)$, $\pm \bar{3}_z$



Invariants:

$$\lambda L_z E_z H_z = \alpha_{\parallel} E_z H_z$$

$$L_z (E_x H_x + E_y H_y)$$

$$\alpha_{\parallel}, \alpha_{\perp} \propto L_z$$

Ferroelectrics

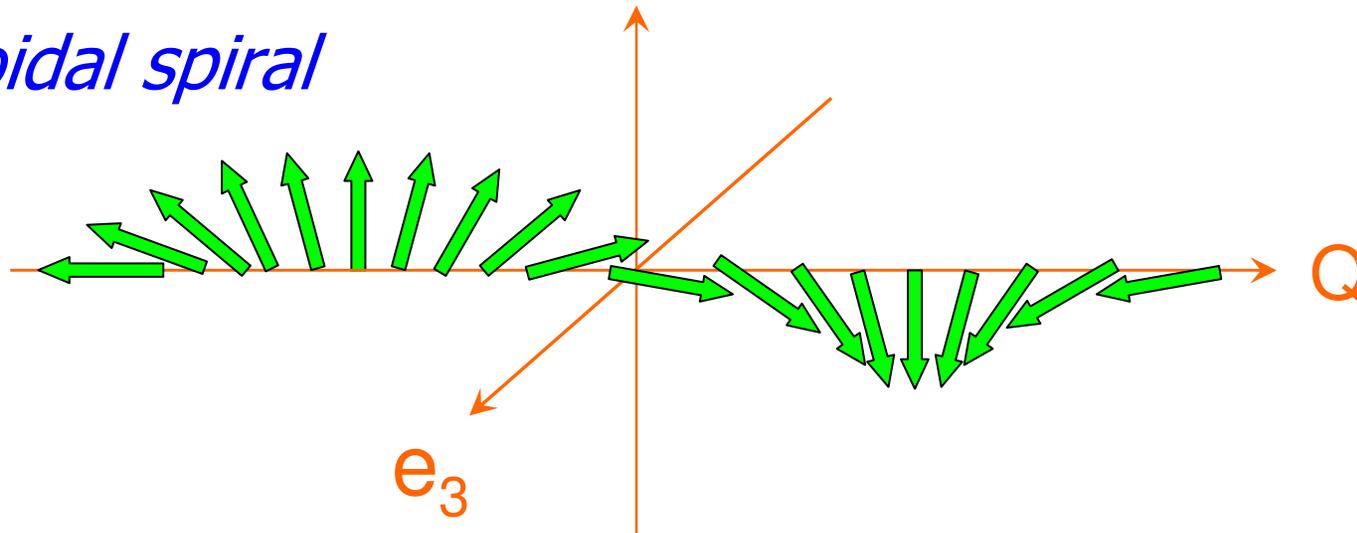
	Mechanism of inversion symmetry breaking	Materials
Proper	covalent bonding between 3d ⁰ transition metal (Ti) and oxygen	BaTiO ₃
	polarizability of 6s ² lone pair	BiMnO ₃ , BiFeO ₃
Improper	structural transition 'Geometric ferroelectrics'	K ₂ SeO ₄ , Cs ₂ CdI ₄ h-RMnO ₃
	charge ordering 'Electronic ferroelectrics'	LuFe ₂ O ₄
	magnetic ordering 'Magnetic ferroelectrics'	o-RMnO ₃ , RMn ₂ O ₅ , CoCr ₂ O ₄ , MnWO ₄

Novel Multiferroics

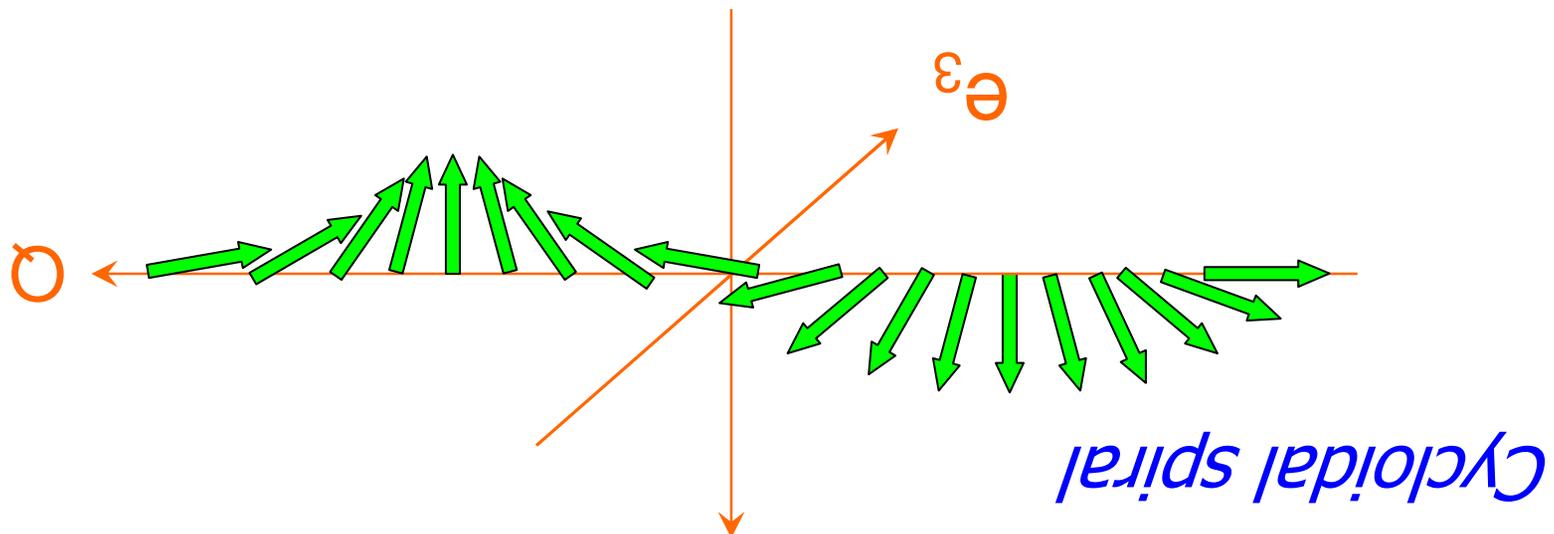
material	T_{FE} (K)	T_{M} (K)	$P(\mu\text{C m}^{-2})$
TbMnO ₃	28	41	600
TbMn ₂ O ₅	38	43	400
Ni ₃ V ₂ O ₈	6.3	9.1	100
MnWO ₄	8	13.5	60
CoCr ₂ O ₄	26	93	2
CuFeO ₂	11	14	300
LiCu ₂ O ₂	23	23	5
CuO	230	230	100

Breaking of inversion symmetry by spin ordering

Cycloidal spiral



Inversion I: $(x, y, z) \rightarrow (-x, -y, -z)$



Induced Polarization

Energy (cubic lattice)

$$F_P = \frac{\mathbf{P}^2}{2\chi_e} - \lambda \mathbf{P} \cdot [(\mathbf{M} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{M} - \mathbf{M}(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{M})]$$

Induced electric polarization

$$\mathbf{P} = \lambda \chi_e [(\mathbf{M} \cdot \nabla)\mathbf{M} - \mathbf{M}(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{M})]$$

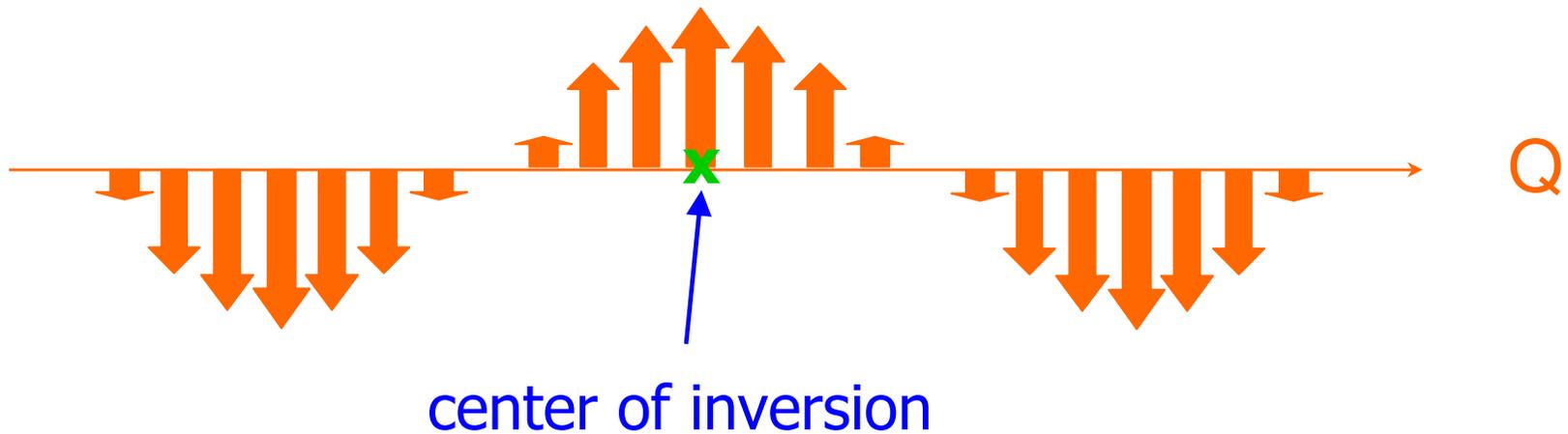
Bary'akhtar et al, JETP Lett **37**, 673 (1983); *Stefanovskii et al, Sov. J. Low Temp.*

Phys. **12**, 478(1986), *M.M. PRL* **96**, 067601 (2006)

Sinusoidal SDW

$$M = A \sin Qx$$

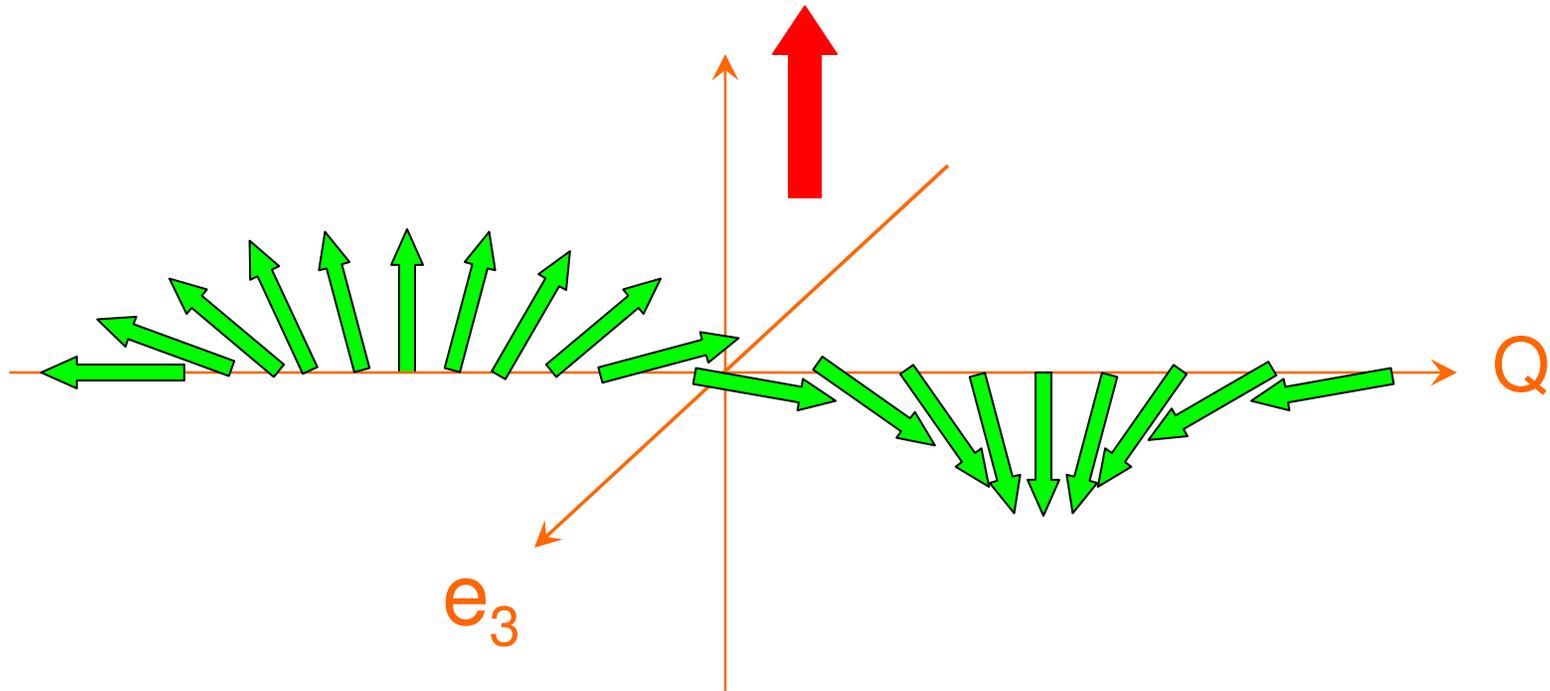
$$\bar{P} = 0$$



Spiral SDW

$$\mathbf{M} = M_0 (\mathbf{e}_1 \cos \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{e}_2 \sin \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{x})$$

$$\bar{\mathbf{P}} \propto [\mathbf{e}_3 \times \mathbf{Q}]$$



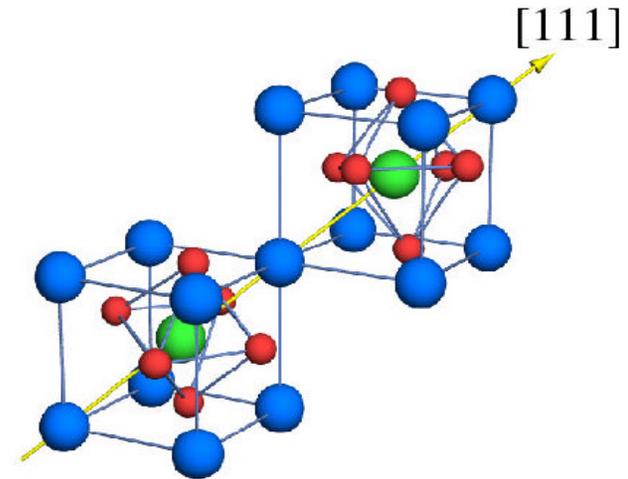
BiFeO₃

Ferroelectric

$$T_{FE} = 1100 \text{ K}$$

Antiferromagnetic

$$T_N = 640 \text{ K}$$



Free energy

$$F = \varphi(L) + (\partial L)^2 - \lambda PL \partial L$$

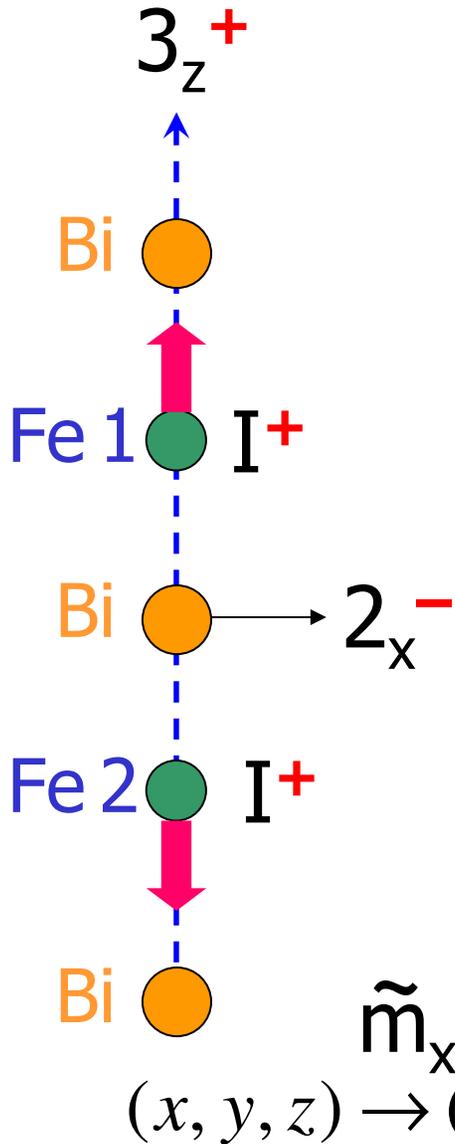
A.M. Kadomtseva et al. JETP Lett. 79, 571 (2004)

Periodic modulation of AFM ordering: $Q \propto \lambda P$

Low-pitch spiral $\lambda = 620 \text{ \AA}$

BiFeO₃

$$\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{M}_1 - \mathbf{M}_2$$

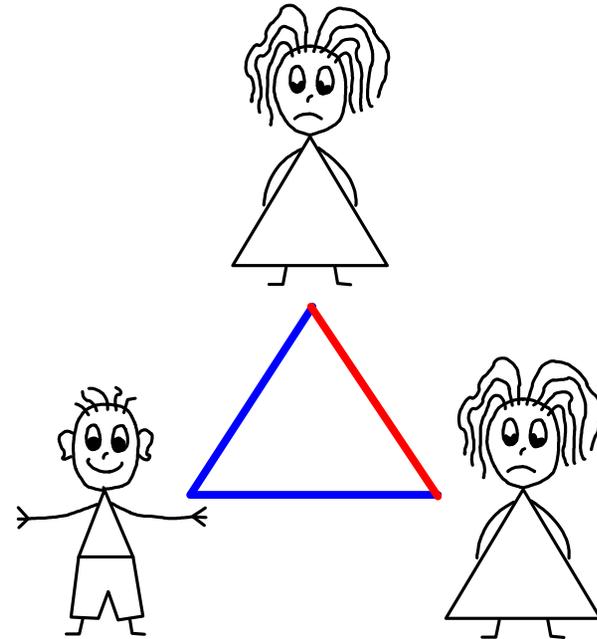
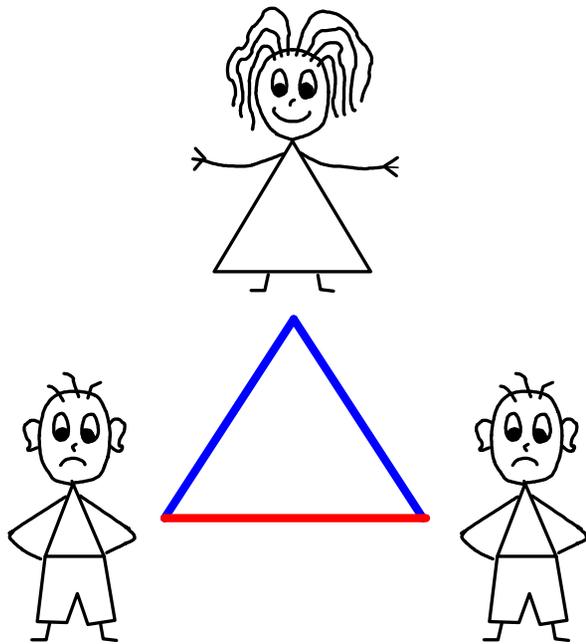


	I^+	2_x^-	\tilde{m}_x^-	3_z
$\begin{pmatrix} L_x \\ L_y \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	$R_{2\pi/3}$
L_z	-1	+1	+1	+1
$\begin{pmatrix} \partial_x \\ \partial_y \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	$R_{2\pi/3}$
P_z	-1	-1	+1	+1

invariant

$$P_z \left(L_x \overset{\leftrightarrow}{\partial}_x L_z + L_y \overset{\leftrightarrow}{\partial}_y L_z \right)$$

Geometrical Frustration

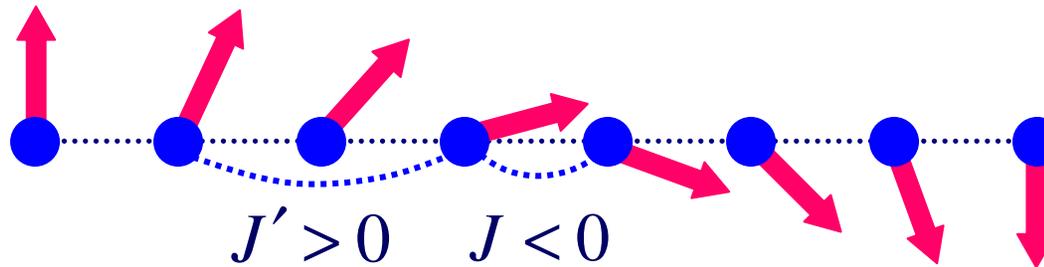


Competing interactions

Frustrated Heisenberg chain

$$E = \sum_n [J \mathbf{S}_n \cdot \mathbf{S}_{n+1} + J' \mathbf{S}_n \cdot \mathbf{S}_{n+2}]$$

$$J' > \frac{|J|}{4}$$

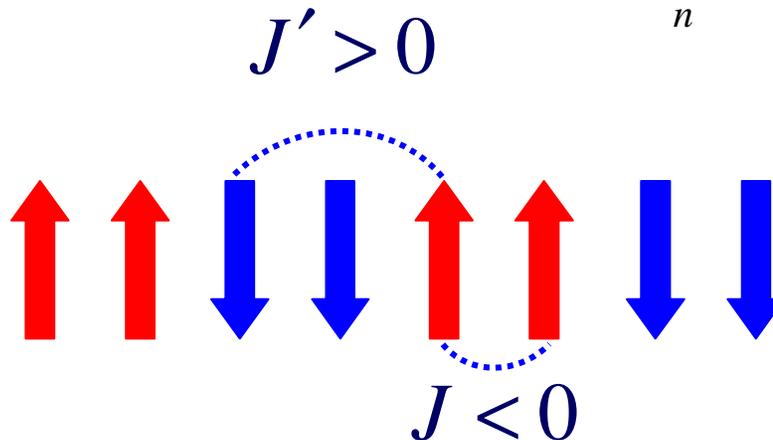


$$\cos Q = \frac{|J|}{4J'}$$

Frustrated Ising chain

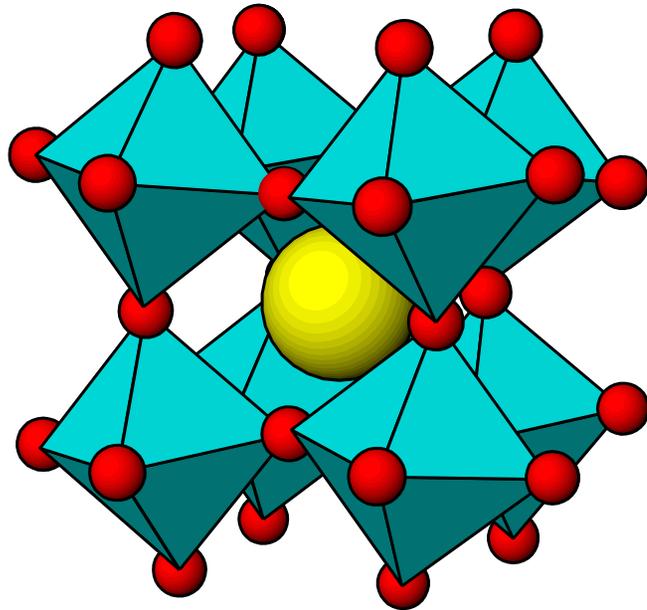
$$E = \sum_n [J \sigma_n \sigma_{n+1} + J' \sigma_n \sigma_{n+2}]$$

$$J' > \frac{|J|}{2}$$



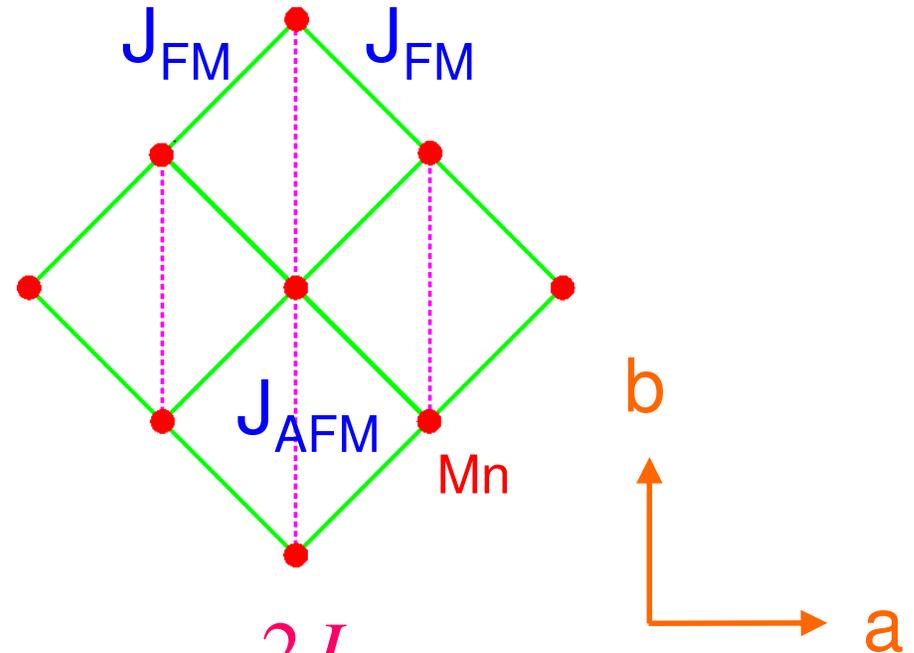
$$\sigma_n = \pm 1$$

Magnetic frustration in RMnO_3



$\kappa < 1$ **Ferromagnetic**

$\kappa > 1$ **Incommensurate SDW**



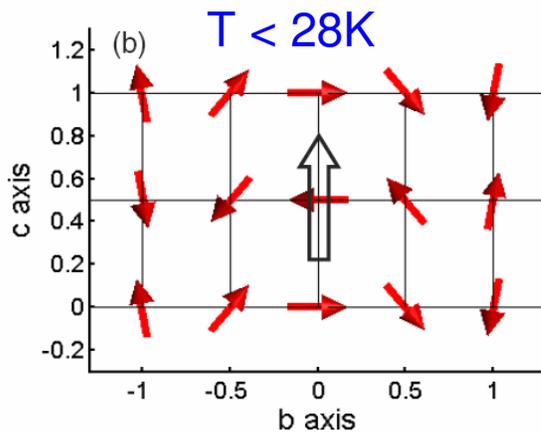
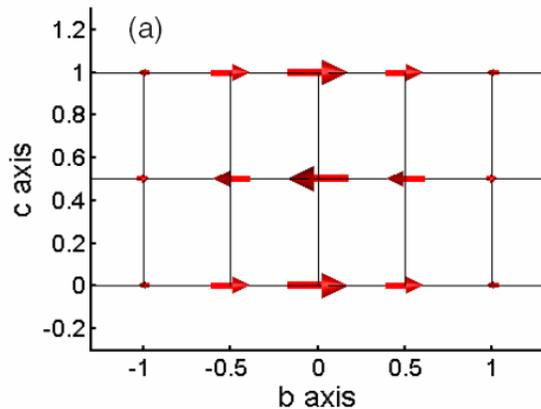
$$\kappa = \frac{2J_{\text{AFM}}}{J_{\text{FM}}}$$

$$\cos \frac{Q_b}{2} = \frac{1}{\kappa}$$

Why T_{FE} is lower than T_M ?



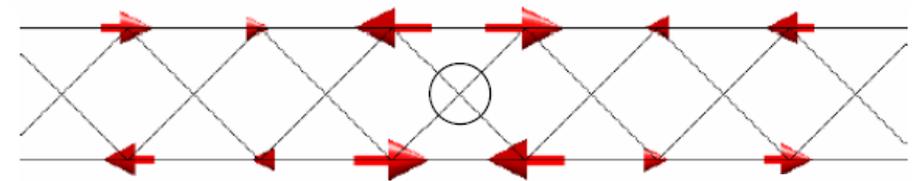
28K < T < 41K



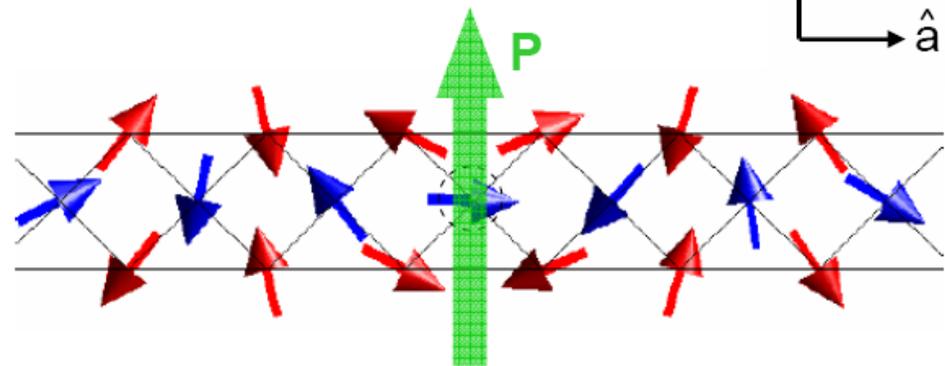
M. Kenzelmann et al PRL 95, 087206 (2005)



6.3K < T < 9.1K



3.9K < T < 6.3K



G. Lawes et al PRL 95, 087205 (2005)

Sinusoidal-helicoidal transition

Ginzburg-Landau expansion

$$\Phi_m = a_x (M^x)^2 + a_y (M^y)^2 + a_z (M^z)^2 + \frac{b}{2} M^4 + c \mathbf{M} \left(\frac{d^2}{dx^2} + Q^2 \right)^2 \mathbf{M}$$

Anisotropy:

$$a_x < a_y = a_x + \Delta < a_z$$

1st transition: Sinusoidal SDW $\mathbf{M} = M^x \hat{\mathbf{x}} \cos Qx$

$$a_x = \alpha (T - T_{SDW}) = 0$$

$$\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{0}$$

2nd transition: Helicoidal SDW $\mathbf{M} = M^x \hat{\mathbf{x}} \cos Qx + M^y \hat{\mathbf{y}} \sin Qx$

$$a_y = \frac{a_x}{3}$$

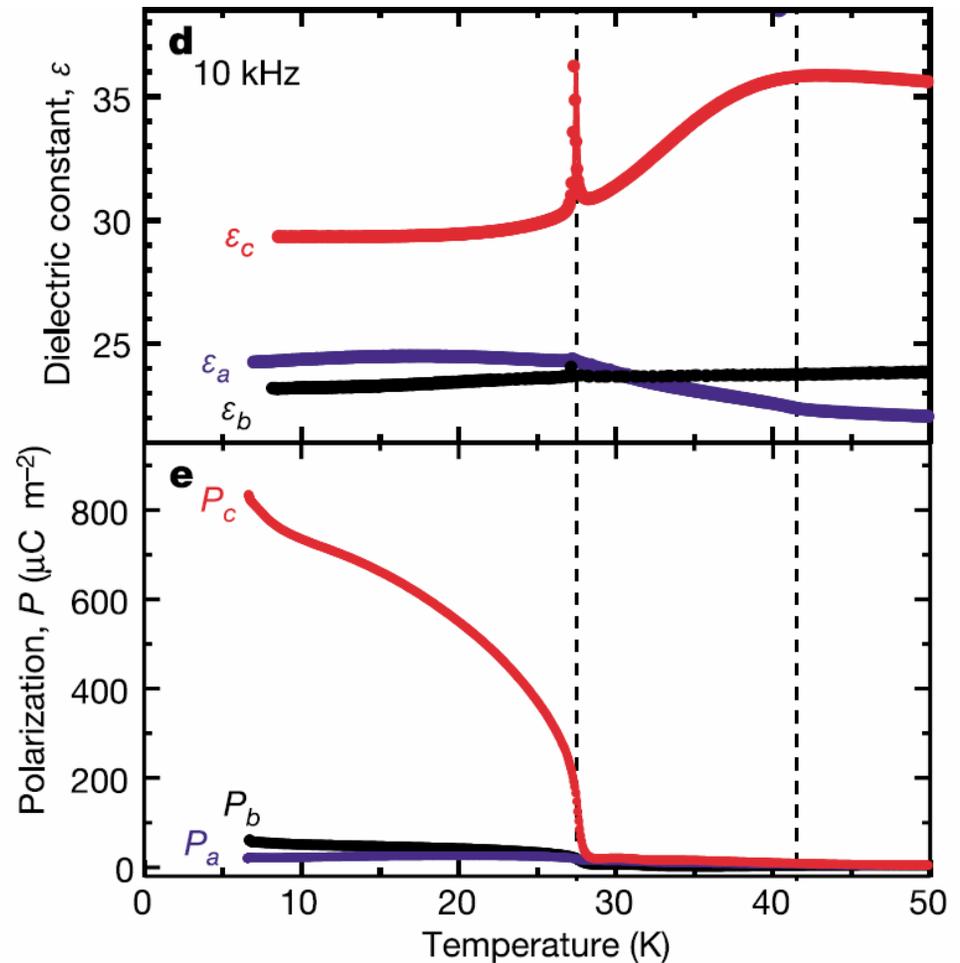
$$T_{SP} = T_{SDW} - \frac{3 \Delta}{2 \alpha}$$

$$\mathbf{P} \parallel \mathbf{y}$$

Dielectric constant anomaly at the transition to spiral state

$$\epsilon_{yy} = \begin{cases} \frac{A}{T - T_{SP}}, & T > T_{SP} \\ \frac{1}{2} \frac{A}{T_{SP} - T}, & T < T_{SP} \end{cases}$$

$$P^y \propto M^x M^y \propto \sqrt{T_{SP} - T}$$

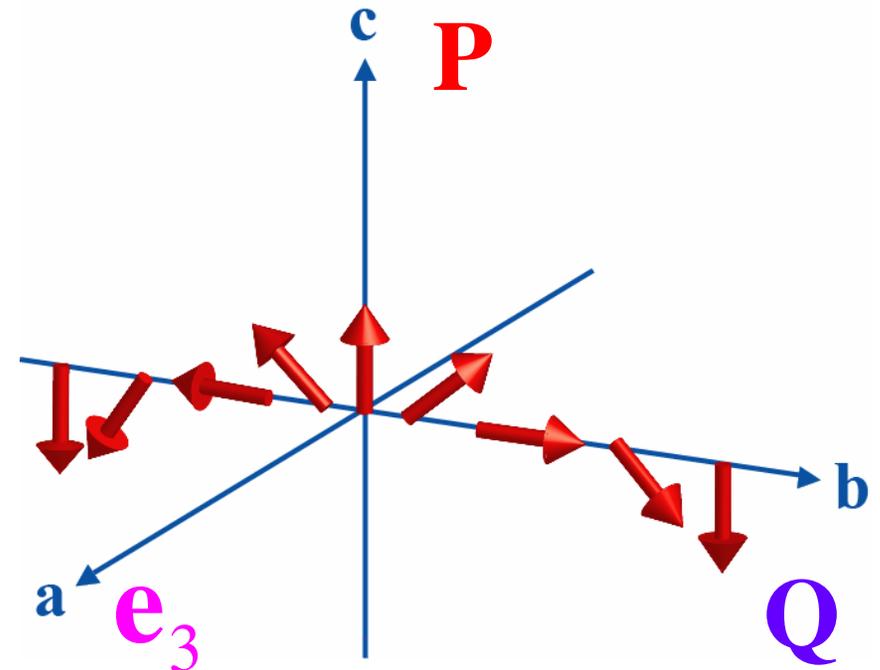
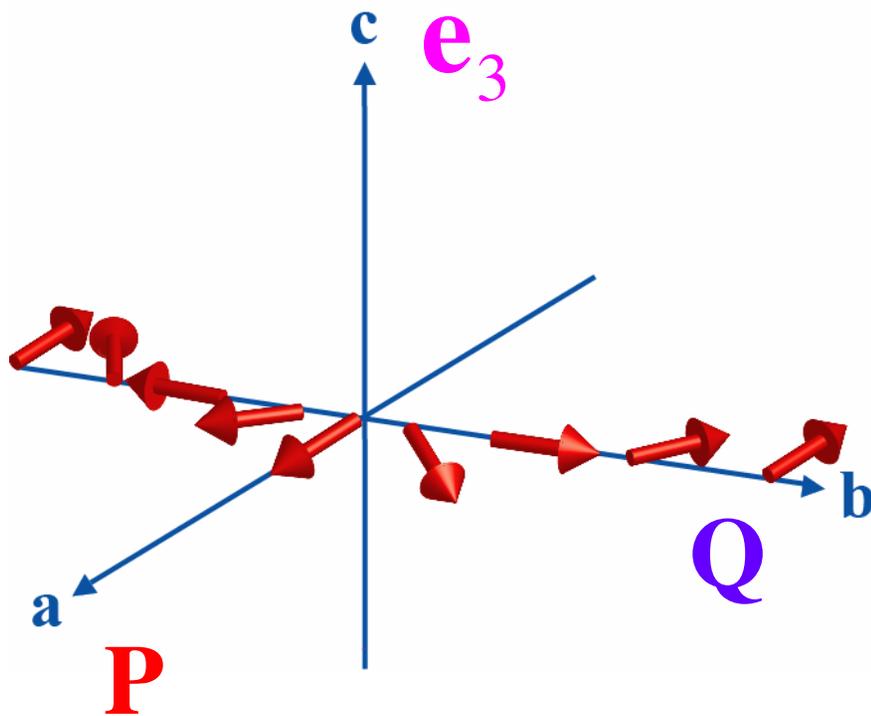


T. Kimura et al, Nature 426, 55 (2003)

Polarization Flop in $\text{Eu}_{1-x}\text{Y}_x\text{MnO}_3$

$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{0}$

$\mathbf{H} \parallel \mathbf{a}$

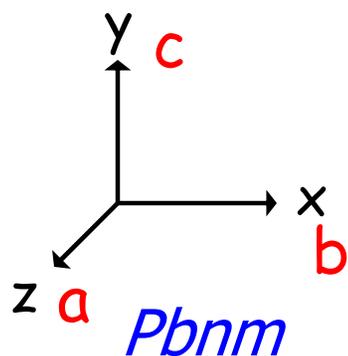


$$\mathbf{P} \propto \mathbf{e}_3 \times \mathbf{Q}$$

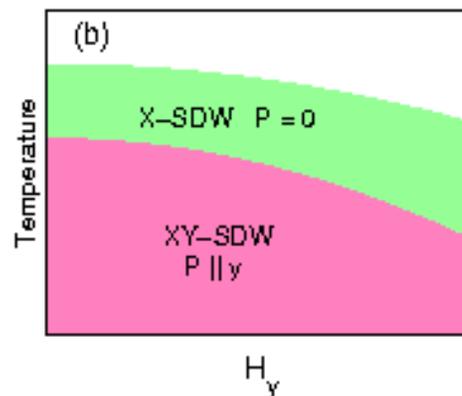
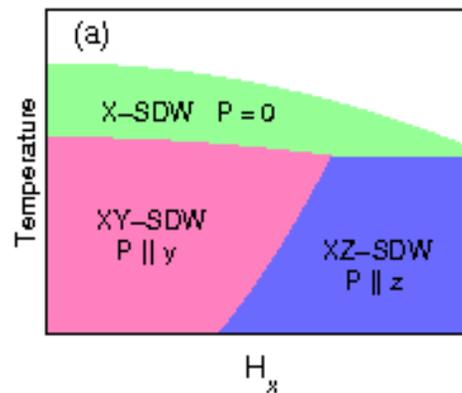
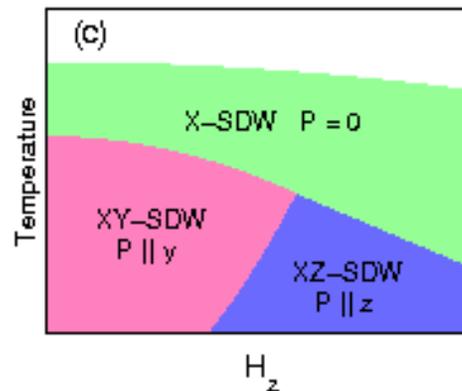
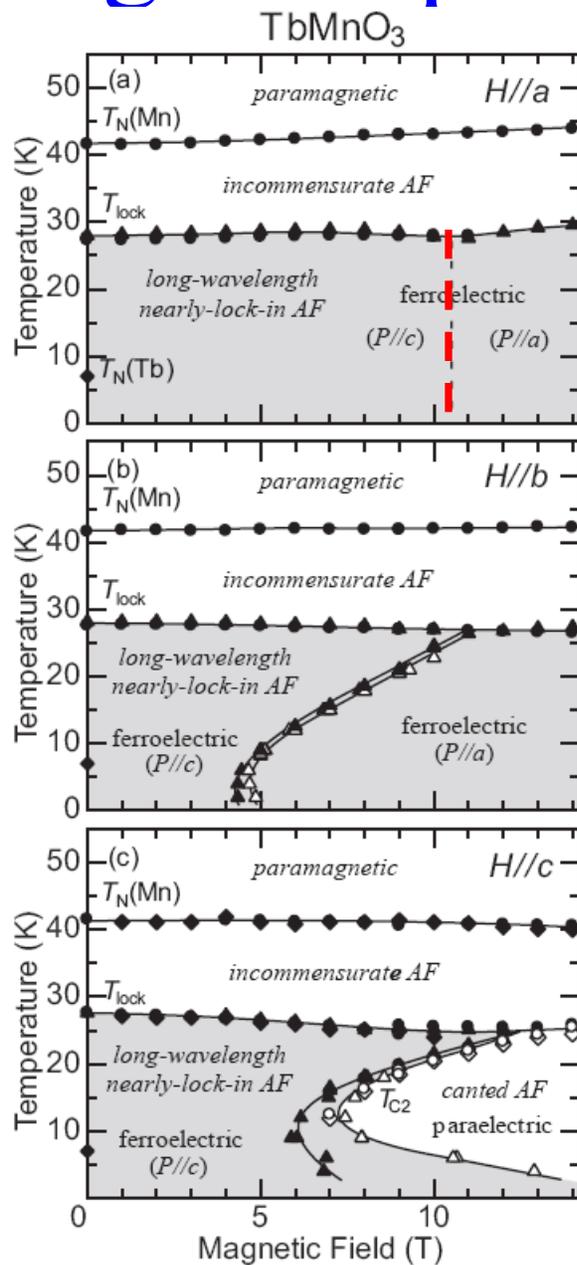
Spin flops

Polarization flops

Magnetic phase diagrams



*T. Kimura et al
PRB 71,224425
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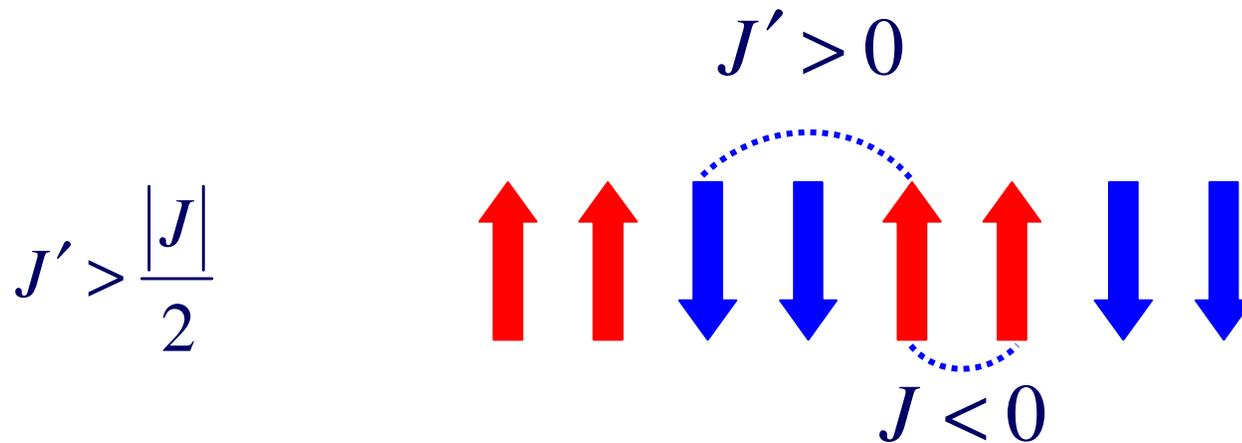


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Non-spiral multiferroics

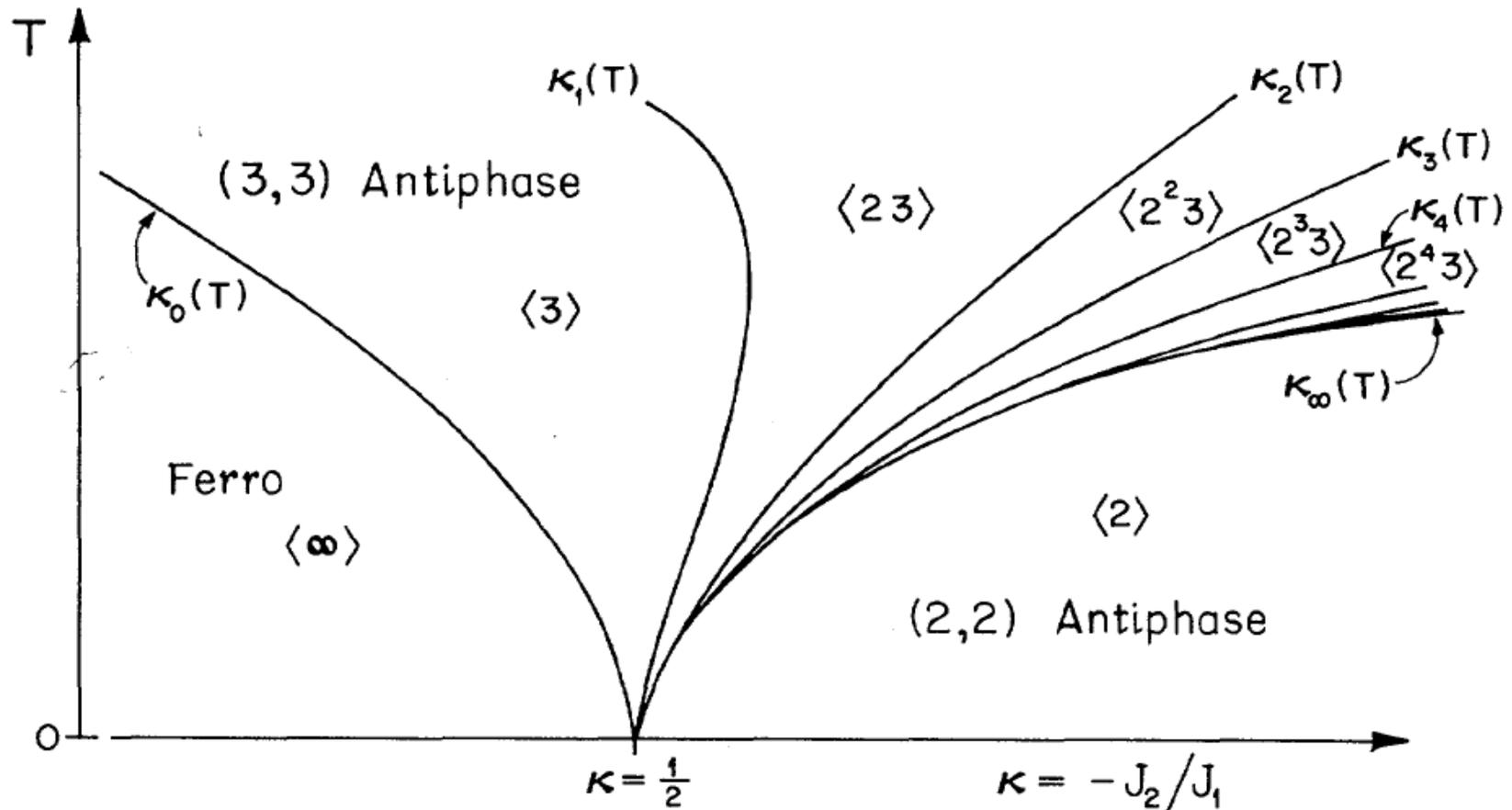
Frustrated Ising chain (ANNNI model)

$$E = \sum_n [J \sigma_n \sigma_{n+1} + J' \sigma_n \sigma_{n+2}] \quad \sigma_n = \pm 1$$



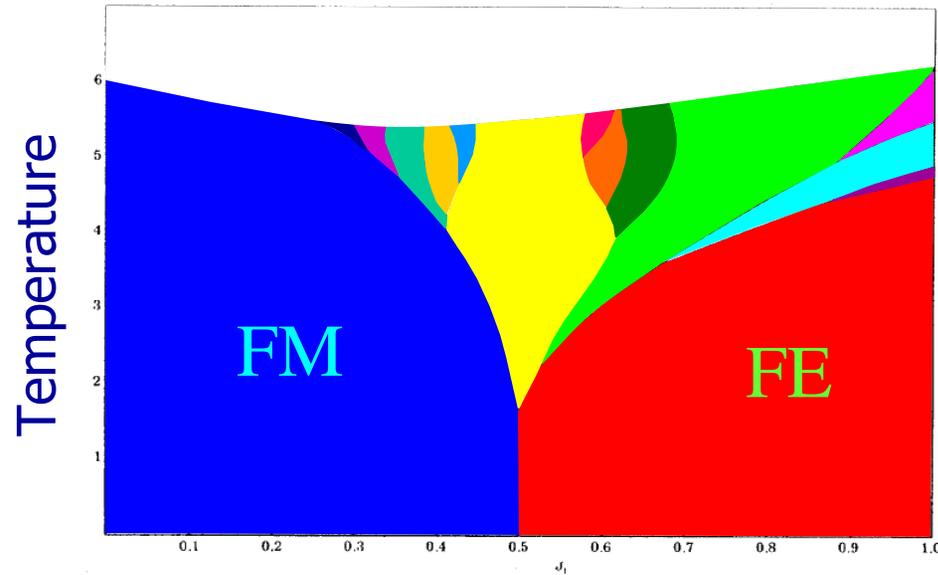
Devil's flower

$$\langle 2^2 3 \rangle \equiv (2,2,3) \Rightarrow \dots \uparrow \uparrow \downarrow \downarrow \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow \downarrow \downarrow \uparrow \uparrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \dots$$

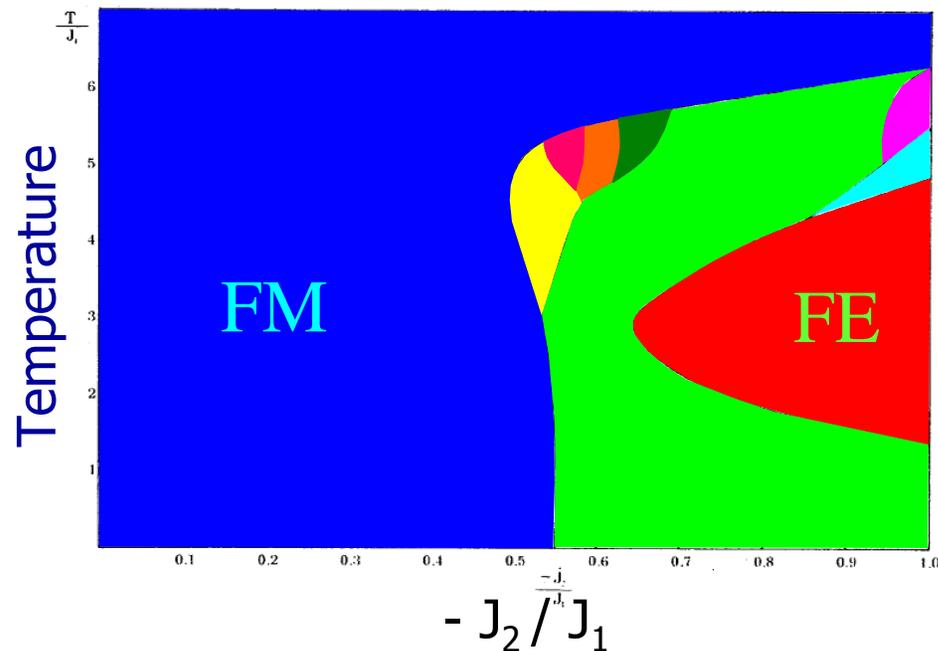


M.E. Fisher & W. Selke (1980)

Effect of magnetic field

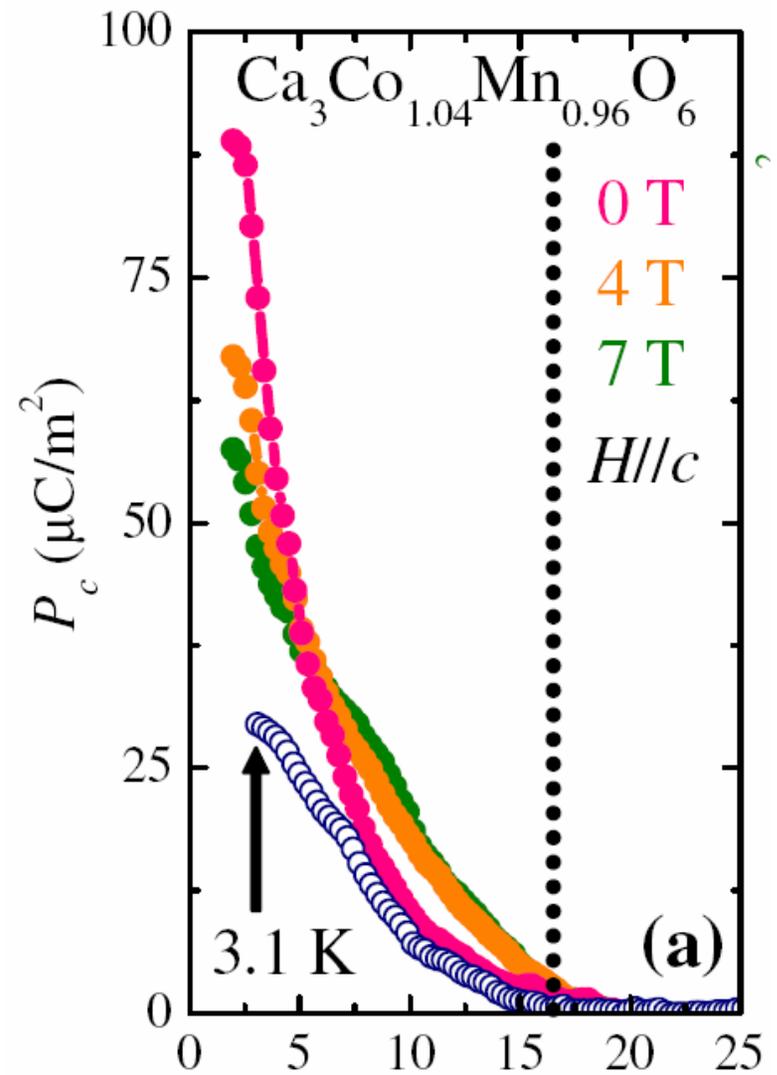
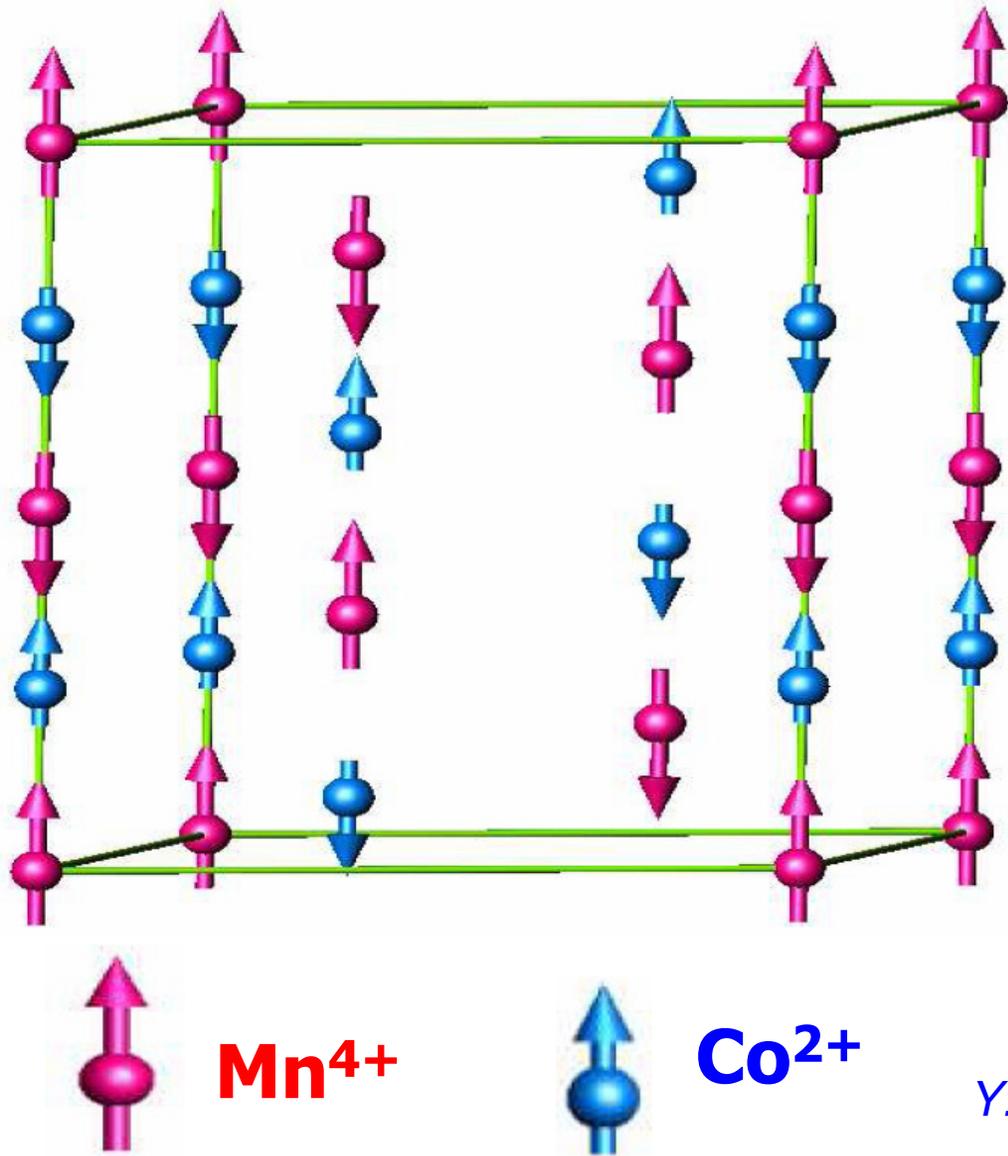
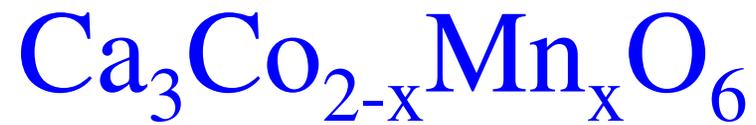


$H = 0$



$H = 0.1 J_1$

J. Randa (1985)



Y.J. Choi et al PRL 100 047601 (2008)

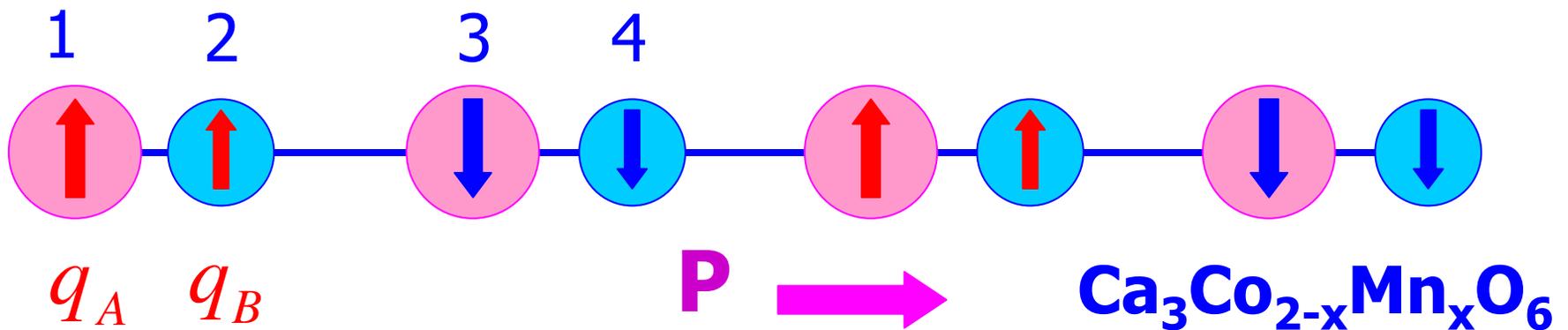
Ferroelectricity induced by magnetostriction

$$\Phi_{\text{int}} = -\lambda P(L_1^2 - L_2^2) \quad L_1 \overset{I}{\leftrightarrow} L_2$$

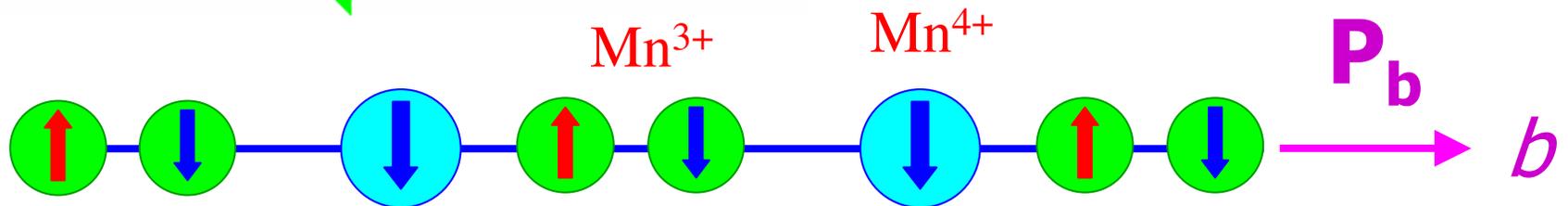
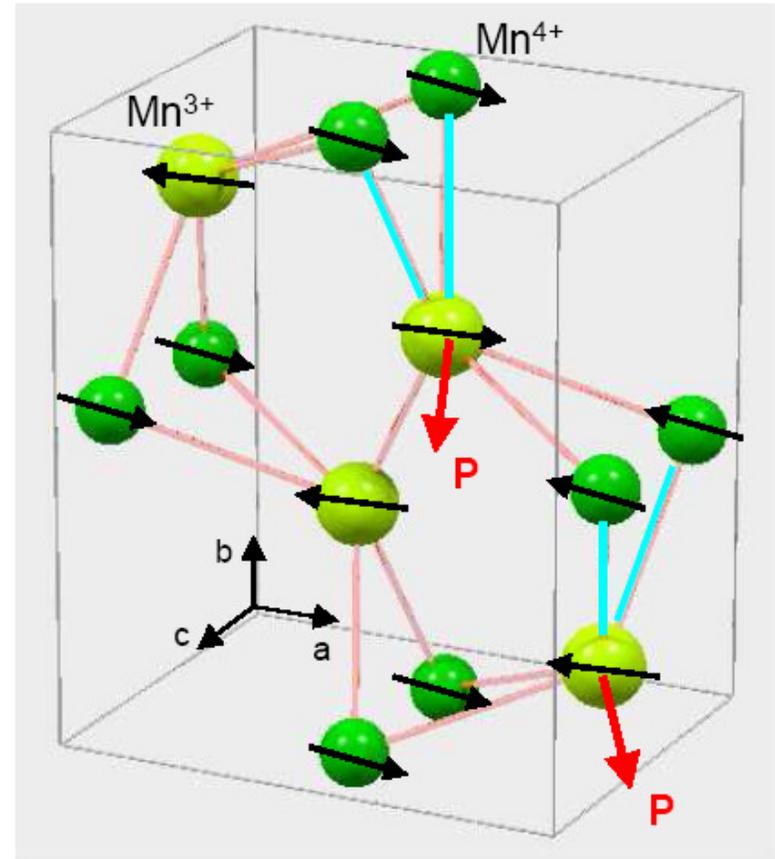
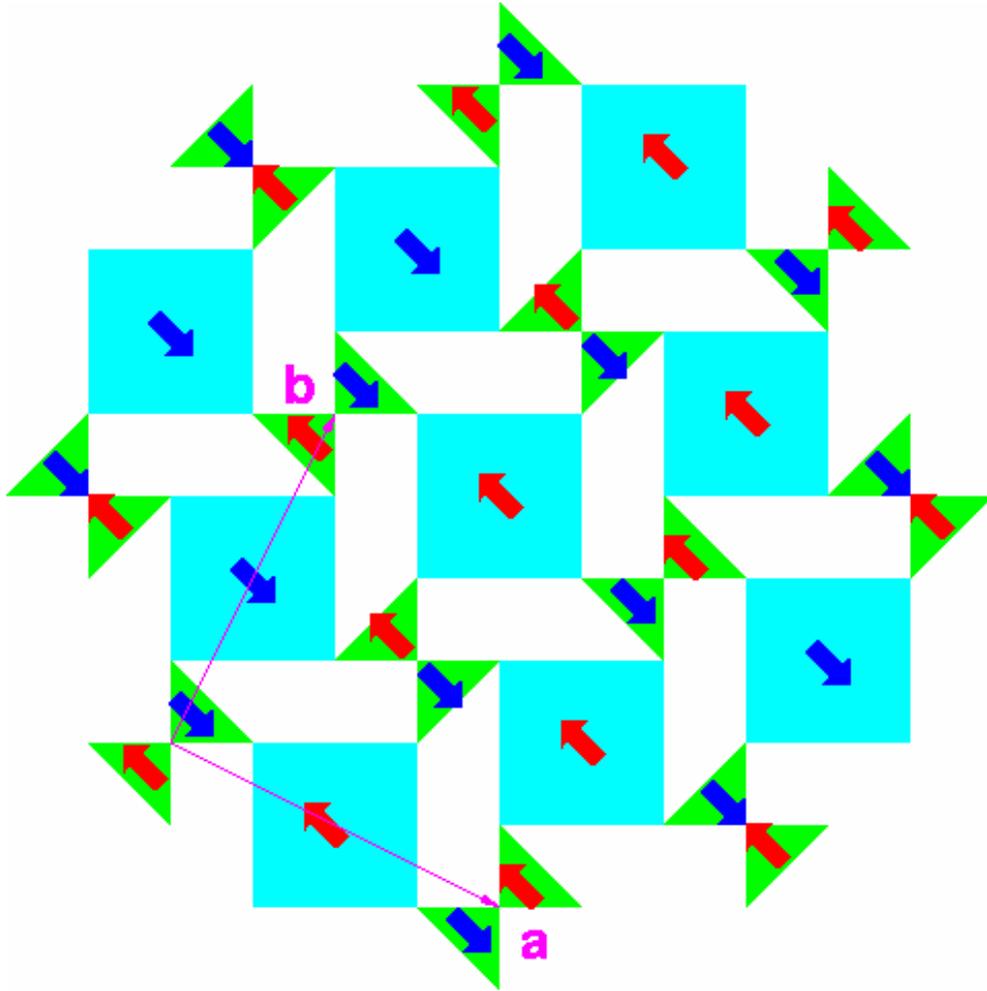
$$\mathbf{L}_1 = \mathbf{S}_1 + \mathbf{S}_2 - \mathbf{S}_3 - \mathbf{S}_4$$

$$\mathbf{L}_2 = \mathbf{S}_1 - \mathbf{S}_2 - \mathbf{S}_3 + \mathbf{S}_4$$

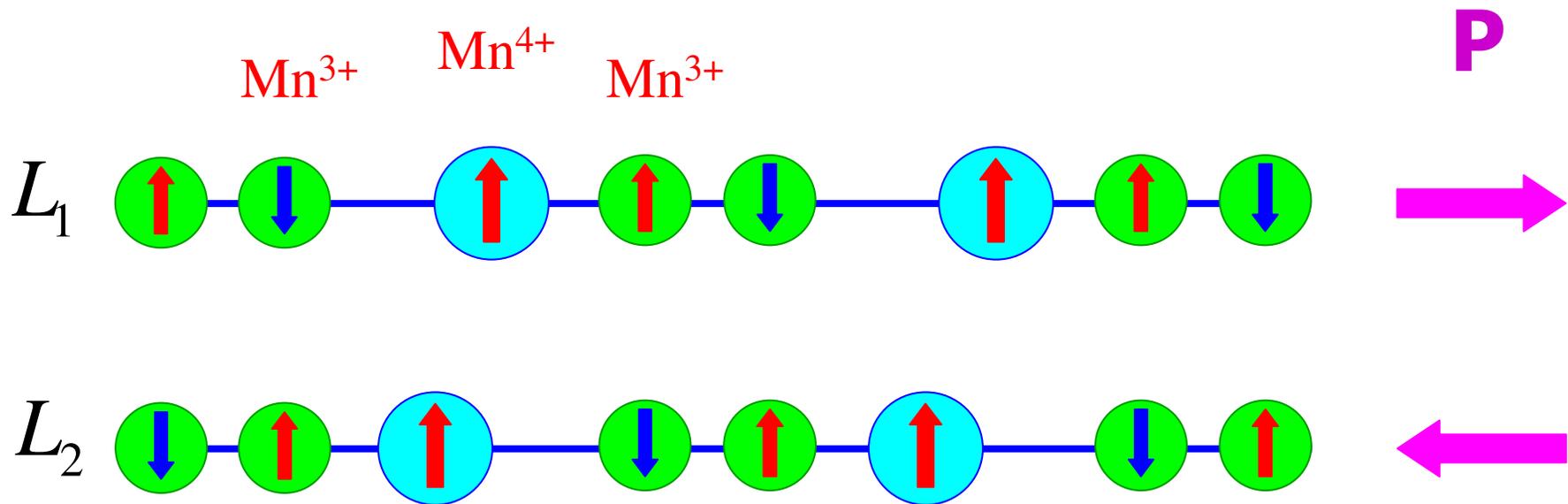
$$P \propto L_1^2 - L_2^2$$



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Two-dimensional representation and induced polarization



A. B. Sushkov et al. J. Phys. Cond. Mat. (2008)

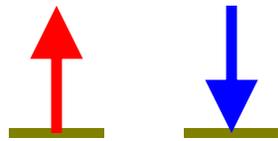
Outline

- Linear magnetoelectric effect, multiferroics
- Phenomenological description
- Microscopic mechanisms of magnetoelectric coupling

Spin exchange in Hubbard model

$$H = -t \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle \sigma} (c_{i\sigma}^+ c_{j\sigma} + c_{j\sigma}^+ c_{i\sigma}) + U \sum_i n_{i\uparrow} n_{i\downarrow}$$

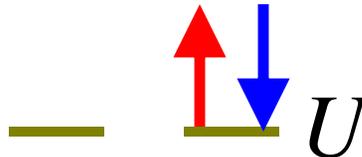
$|i\rangle$



Effective spin
Hamiltonian:

$$H_{eff} = -\frac{2t^2}{U} (1 - S_{12})$$

intermediate state



$|f\rangle$



$$-\frac{t^2}{U}$$



$$+\frac{t^2}{U} S_{12}$$

Spin-exchange operator:

$$S_{12} |\sigma_1\rangle |\sigma_2\rangle = |\sigma_2\rangle |\sigma_1\rangle$$

Spin exchange in Hubbard model

Total spin

$$\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{S}_1 + \mathbf{S}_2$$

projector operators

$$\mathbf{S}_1 \cdot \mathbf{S}_2 = \begin{cases} -3/4, & S = 0 \\ +1/4, & S = 1 \end{cases}$$

$$P_{S=0} = 1/4 - (\mathbf{S}_1 \cdot \mathbf{S}_2)$$

$$P_{S=1} = (\mathbf{S}_1 \cdot \mathbf{S}_2) + 3/4$$

$S = 1$ spin functions symmetric

$S = 0$ antisymmetric

$$|1+1\rangle = \uparrow\uparrow$$

$$|00\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\uparrow\downarrow - \downarrow\uparrow)$$

$$|10\rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\uparrow\downarrow + \downarrow\uparrow) \quad S_{12}|1S^z\rangle = +|1S^z\rangle$$

$$S_{12}|00\rangle = -|00\rangle$$

$$|1-1\rangle = \downarrow\downarrow$$

Spin-exchange operator

$$S_{12} = P_{S=1} - P_{S=0} = 2(\mathbf{S}_1 \cdot \mathbf{S}_2) + \frac{1}{2}$$

Effective Hamiltonian

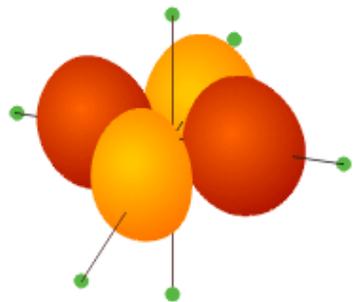
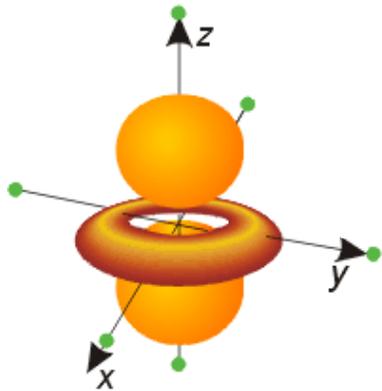
exchange constant

$$H_{eff} = -\frac{2t^2}{U}(1 - S_{12}) = -\frac{4t^2}{U}P_{S=0} = J\left(\mathbf{S}_1 \cdot \mathbf{S}_2 - \frac{1}{4}\right)$$

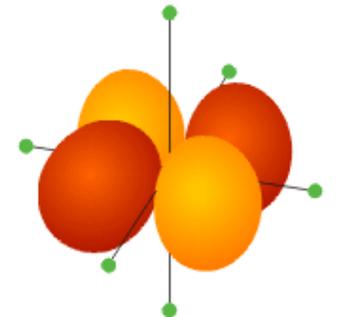
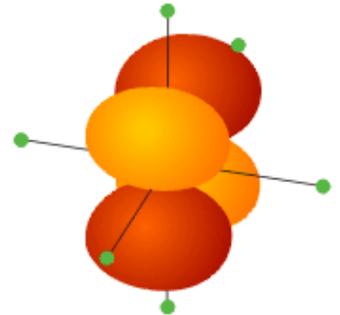
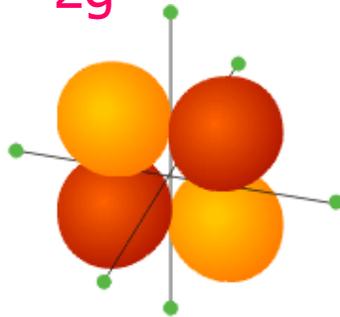
$$J = \frac{4t^2}{U} > 0$$

d-orbitals

e_g



t_{2g}



octahedral
crystal field

$= e_g$

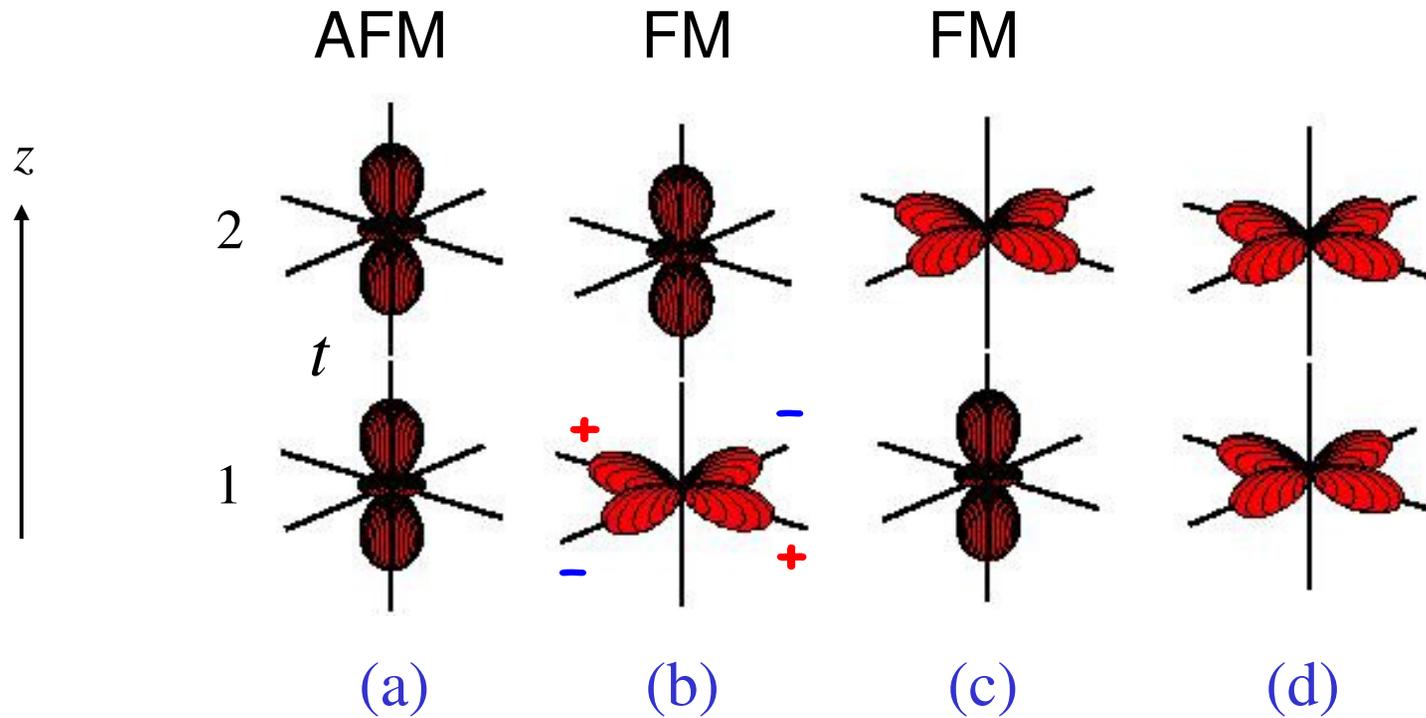
$\equiv t_{2g}$

tetrahedral
crystal field

$\equiv t_{2g}$

$= e_g$

Exchange along the z -axis

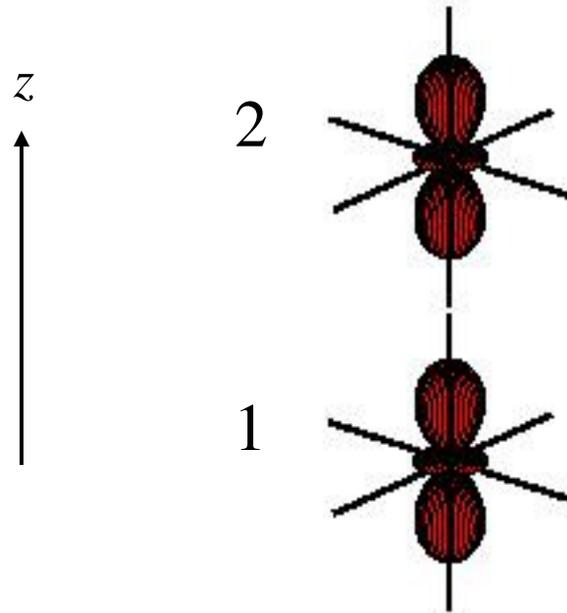


No hopping between $|3z^2 - r^2\rangle$ and $|x^2 - y^2\rangle$ orbitals

Exchange does not change orbital occupation

AFM interaction

(a)



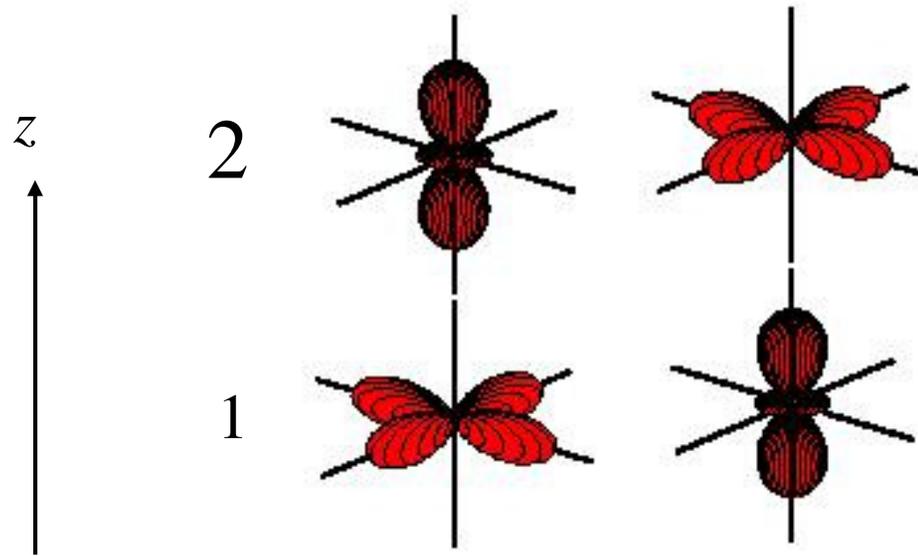
$$t = \frac{t_{pd}^2}{\Delta}$$

$$H_a = -\frac{4t^2}{U} \left(\frac{1}{4} - \mathbf{S}_1 \cdot \mathbf{S}_2 \right)$$

$$\boxed{S = 0}$$

FM interaction

(b) + (c)



$$H = -\frac{t^2}{U - J_d \left(\frac{3}{4} + \mathbf{S}_1 \cdot \mathbf{S}_2 \right)}$$

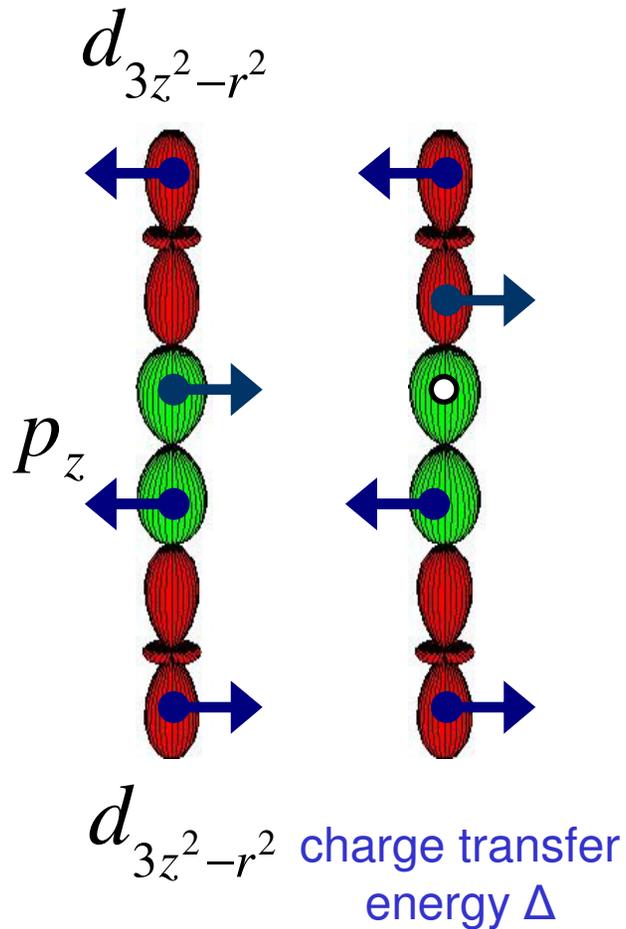
Hund's rule coupling

$$H_{FM} = -\frac{t^2 J_d}{U^2} \left(\frac{3}{4} + \mathbf{S}_1 \cdot \mathbf{S}_2 \right) \leftarrow S = 1$$

Superexchange

Effective dd-hopping

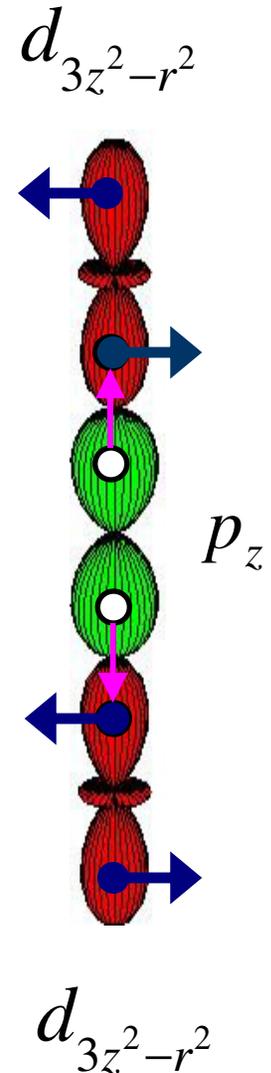
$$t = \frac{t_{pd}^2}{\Delta}$$



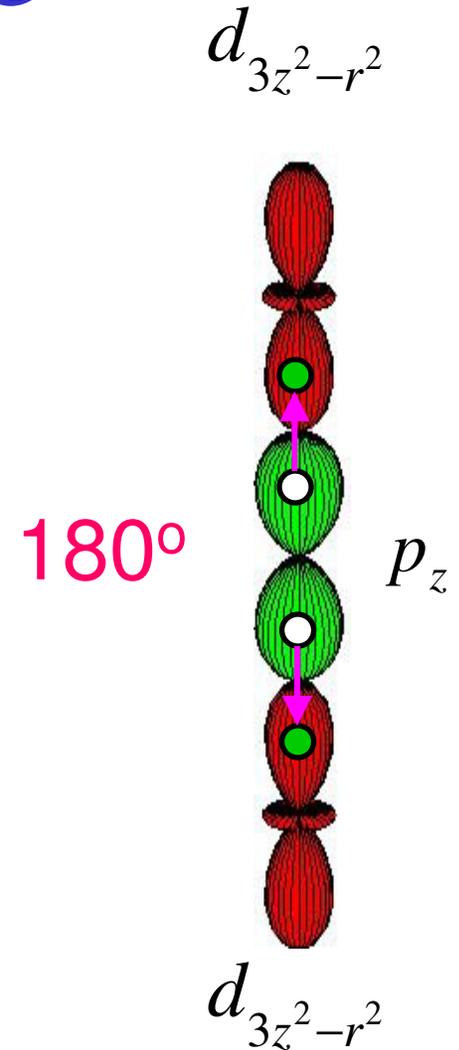
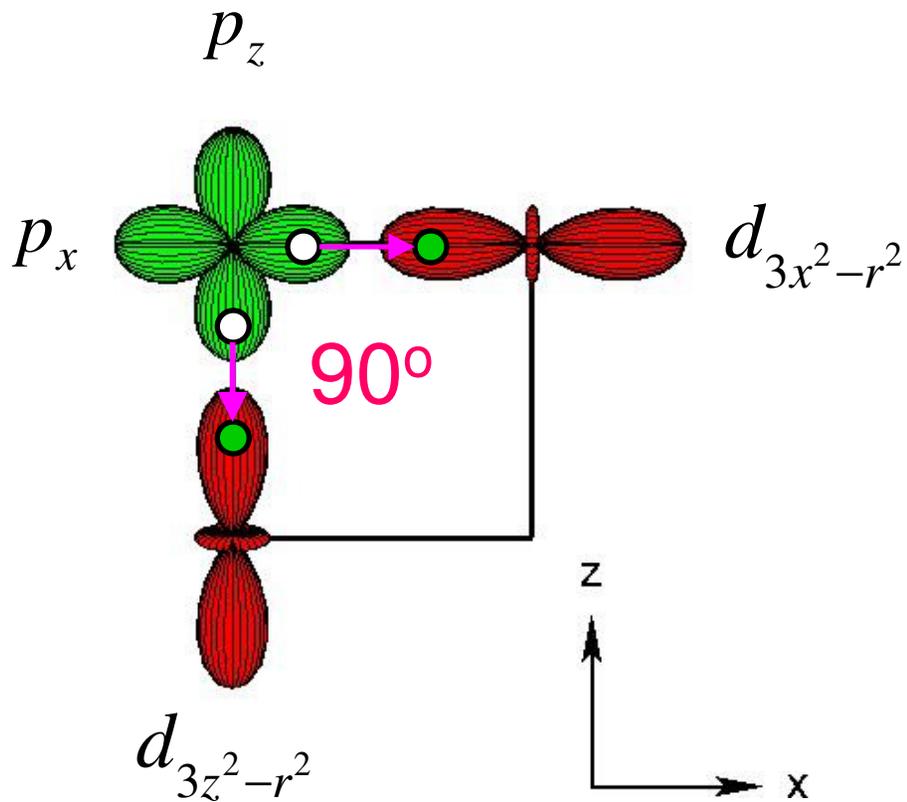
Intermediate state with 2 oxygen holes

correction to exchange constant

$$\delta J = \frac{8t_{pd}^4}{\Delta^2(2\Delta + U_p)}$$



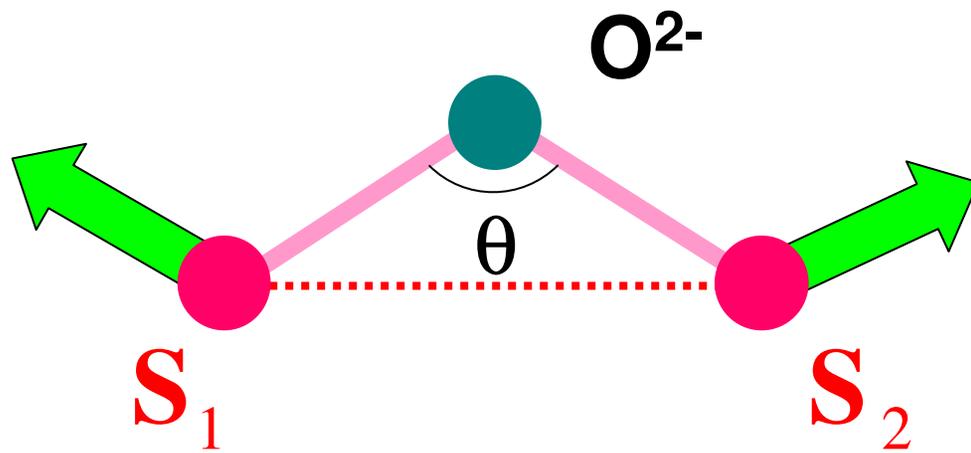
90° superexchange



Spin exchange is always ferromagnetic

Spin exchange is weaker than orbital exchange

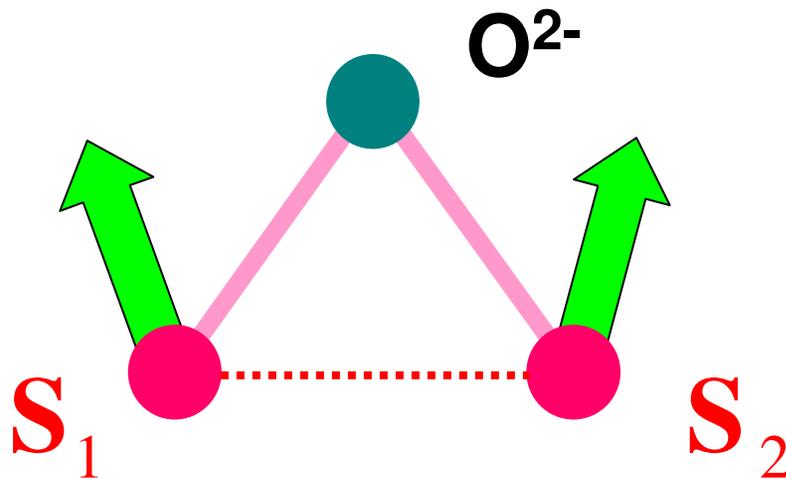
Exchange striction



$$E = J (\mathbf{S}_1 \mathbf{S}_2)$$

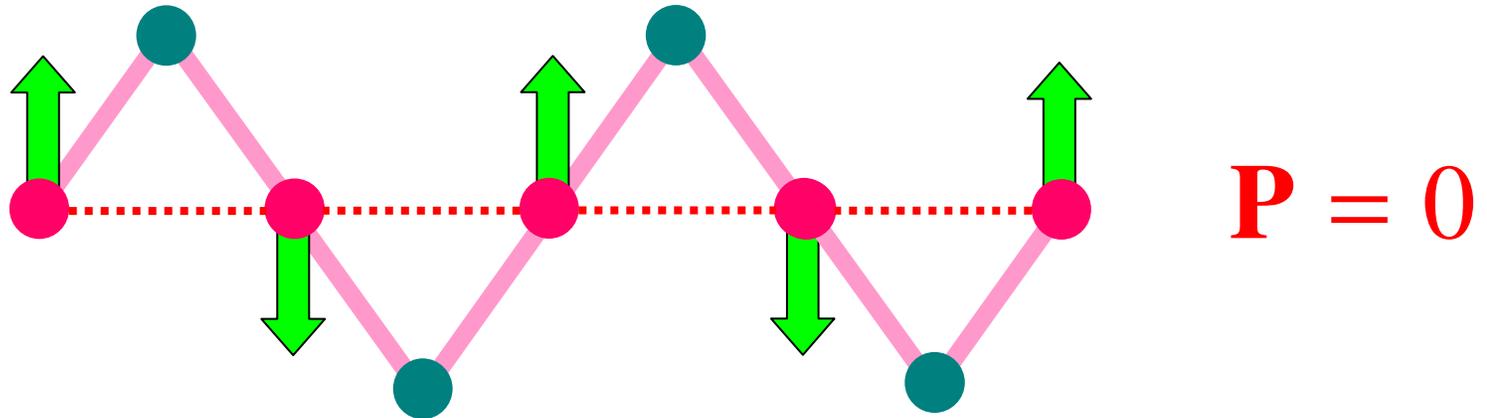
$$\theta = 180^\circ \quad J > 0$$

$$\theta = 90^\circ \quad J < 0$$

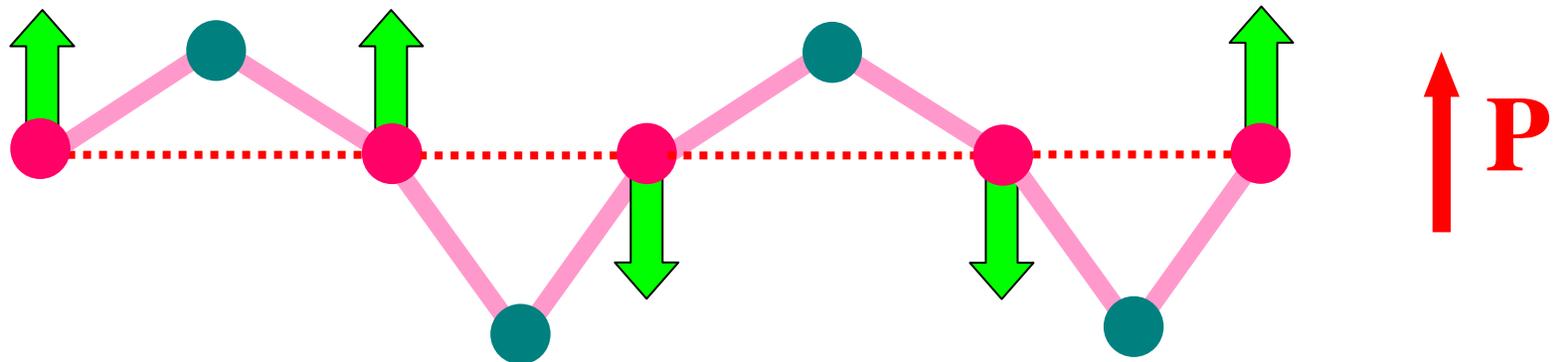


Role of frustration

Néel ordering: Inversion symmetry not broken



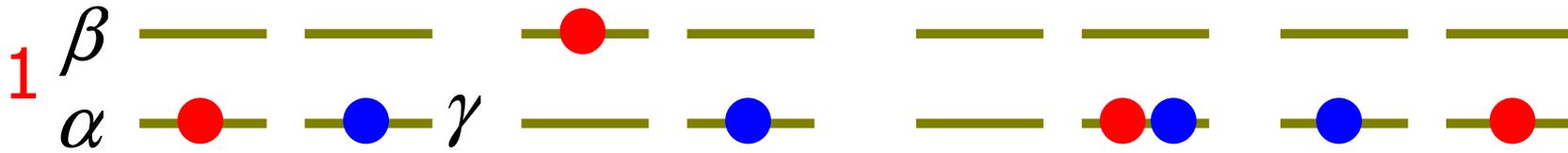
$\uparrow\uparrow\downarrow\downarrow$ ordering: Inversion symmetry is broken



To induce P spin ordering must break inversion symmetry

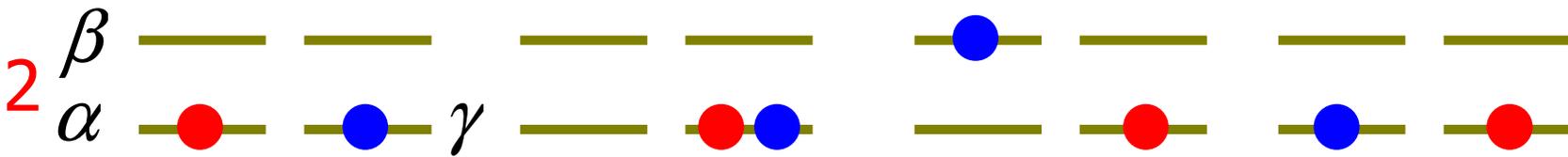
Dzyaloshinskii-Moriya interaction

$$H_{SO} = \lambda(\mathbf{l} \cdot \mathbf{s}) \quad \psi_\alpha |\sigma\rangle \rightarrow \left[\psi_\alpha + \lambda \sum_\beta \psi_\beta \frac{(\mathbf{l}_{\beta\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{s})}{\epsilon_\alpha - \epsilon_\beta} \right] |\sigma\rangle$$



(1) $S_{12} \frac{t_{\gamma\beta} t_{\alpha\gamma}}{U} \lambda \frac{(\mathbf{l}_{\beta\alpha} \cdot \mathbf{s}_1)}{\epsilon_\alpha - \epsilon_\beta}$

(2) $\lambda \frac{(\mathbf{l}_{\alpha\beta} \cdot \mathbf{s}_1)}{\epsilon_\alpha - \epsilon_\beta} S_{12} \frac{t_{\beta\gamma} t_{\gamma\alpha}}{U}$



real wave functions

$$\mathbf{l} = \mathbf{r} \times \frac{\hbar}{i} \nabla$$

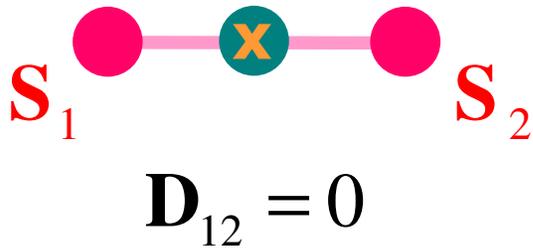
$$\mathbf{l}_{\beta\alpha} = -\mathbf{l}_{\alpha\beta}$$

$$t_{\alpha\gamma} = t_{\gamma\alpha}$$

$$\delta H_{ex} \propto [S_{12}, \mathbf{s}_1] = \left[2\mathbf{s}_1 \cdot \mathbf{s}_2 + \frac{1}{2}, \mathbf{s}_1 \right] \propto \mathbf{s}_1 \times \mathbf{s}_2$$

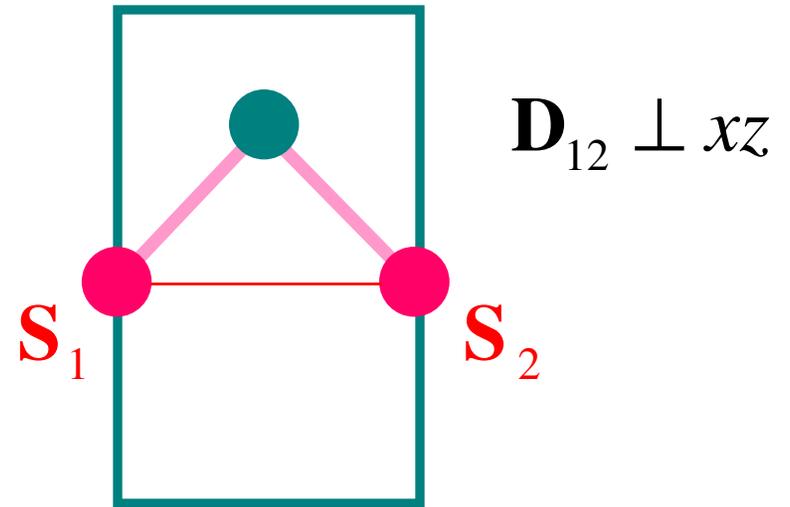
Moriya rules

Inversion center

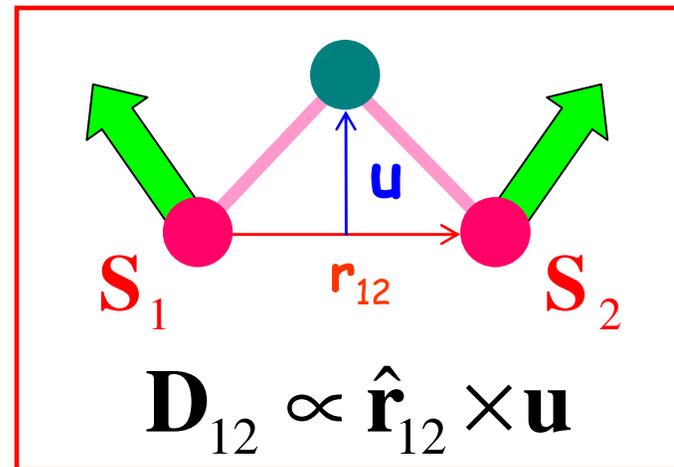
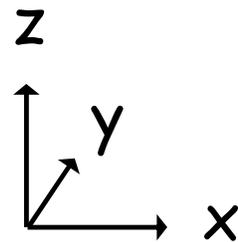
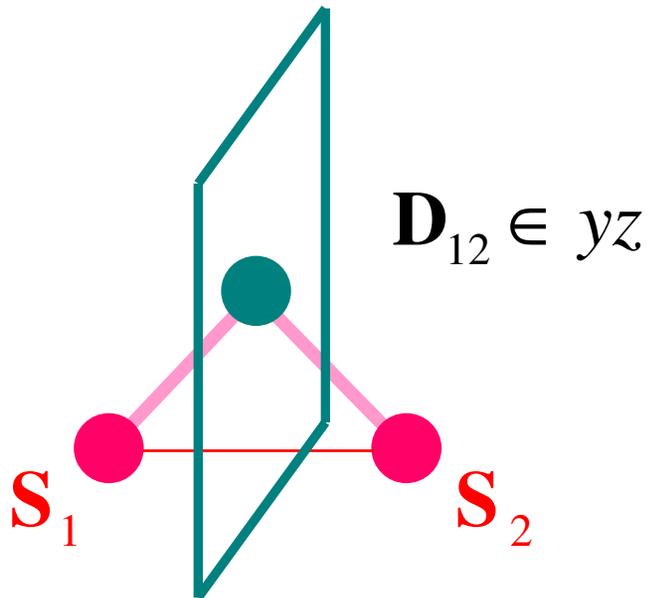


$$\mathbf{D}_{12} \propto \mathbf{l}_1 - \mathbf{l}_2$$

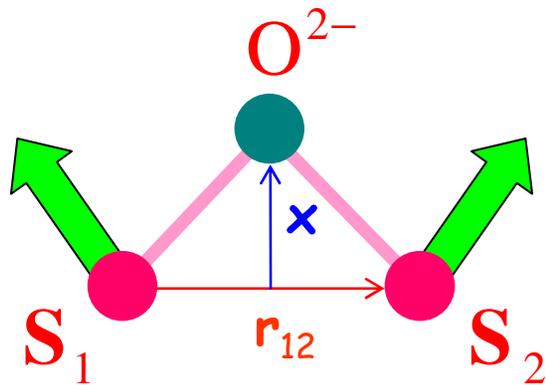
mirror xz plane



mirror yz plane

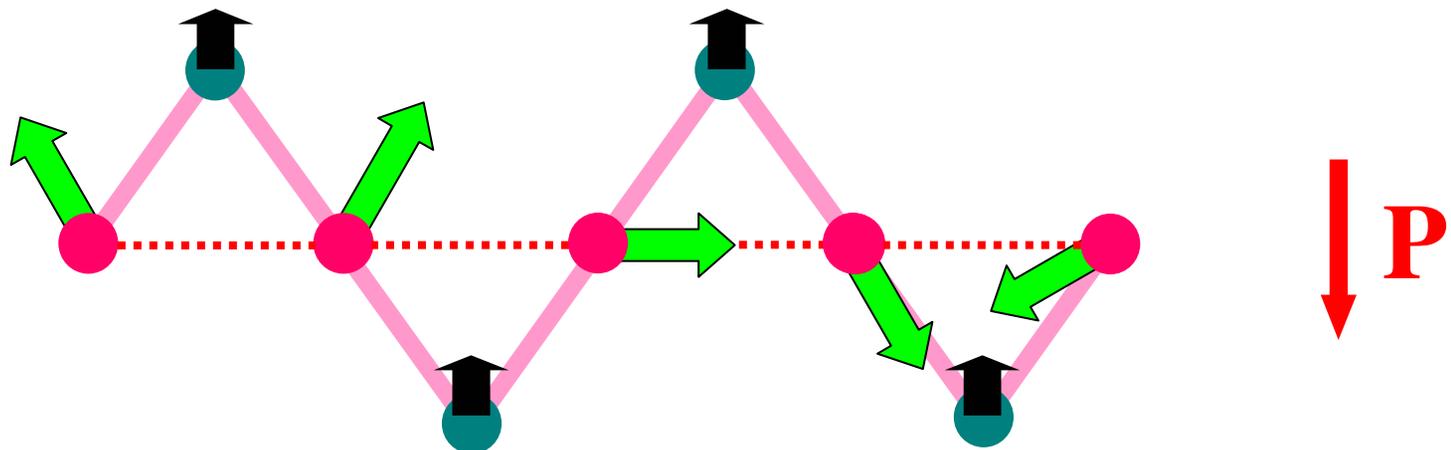


Effects of Dzyaloshinskii-Moriya interaction



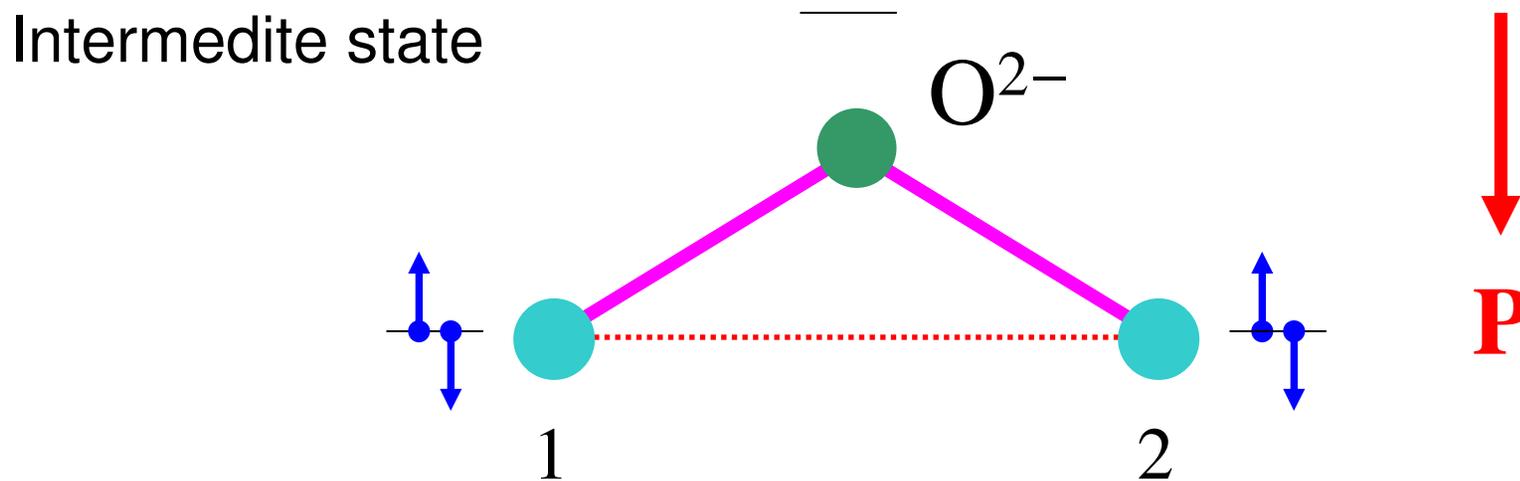
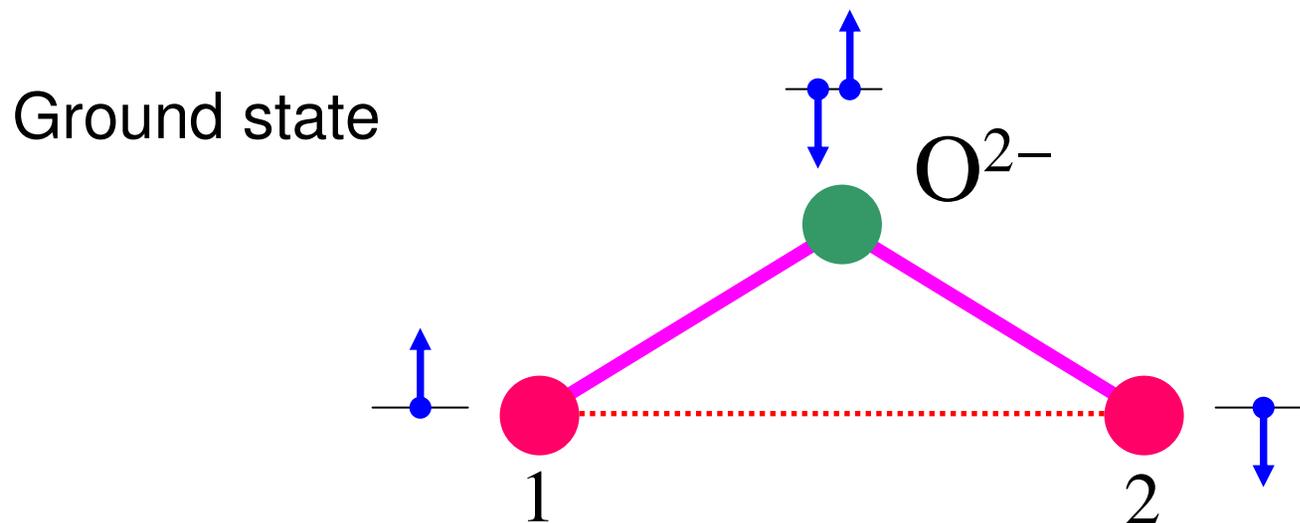
$$E_{DM} = \mathbf{D}_{12} \cdot [\mathbf{S}_1 \times \mathbf{S}_2]$$

$$\mathbf{D}_{12} \propto \mathbf{x} \times \hat{\mathbf{r}}_{12}$$



*H. Katsura et al PRL 95 057205 (2005),
Sergienko & Dagotto PRB 73 094434 (2006)*

Polarization of electronic orbitals



Higher-order terms in effective spin Hamiltonian

L.N. Bulaevskii, C.D. Batista, M. M., and D. Khomskii, arXiv:0709.0575

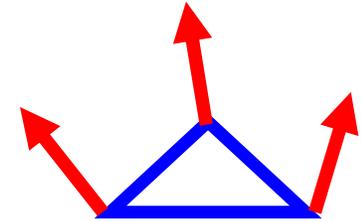
Hubbard model + coupling to external fields

$$H = \sum_{i \neq j, \sigma} t e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{\Phi_0} \int_{\mathbf{x}_i}^{\mathbf{x}_j} d\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{A}} c_{i\sigma}^\dagger c_{j\sigma} + \frac{U}{2} \sum_i (n_i - 1)^2 - e \sum_i \varphi_i n_i + \mu_B \sum_{i\alpha\beta} c_{i\alpha}^\dagger \mathbf{H} \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\alpha\beta} c_{i\beta},$$

Effective spin Hamiltonian (2nd order)

$$H_{\text{eff}}^{(2)} = \frac{4t^2}{U} \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \left(\mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j - \frac{1}{4} \right)$$

Effective spin Hamiltonian (3^d order)



Interaction with magnetic field

$$H_{\text{eff}}^{(3a)} = -48\pi \frac{t^3}{U^2} \sum_{\langle i,j,k \rangle} \frac{\Phi_{ijk}}{\Phi_0} \mathbf{S}_i \cdot [\mathbf{S}_j \times \mathbf{S}_k]$$

scalar spin chirality

Persistent electric current

$$I = -c \frac{\partial H_{\text{eff}}^{(3a)}}{\partial \Phi_{123}} = \frac{24e}{\hbar} \frac{t^3}{U^2} \mathbf{S}_1 \cdot [\mathbf{S}_2 \times \mathbf{S}_3]$$

Effective spin Hamiltonian (3^d order)

Interaction with electric field

$$H_{\text{eff}}^{(3b)} = 8e \left(\frac{t}{U} \right)^3 \sum_{\langle i,j,k \rangle} \varphi_i [\mathbf{S}_i \cdot (\mathbf{S}_j + \mathbf{S}_k) - 2\mathbf{S}_j \cdot \mathbf{S}_k]$$

Spin-induced charge



$$\delta Q_1 = \frac{\partial H_{\text{eff}}^{(3b)}}{\partial \varphi_1} = 8e \left(\frac{t}{U} \right)^3 [\mathbf{S}_1 \cdot (\mathbf{S}_2 + \mathbf{S}_3) - 2\mathbf{S}_2 \cdot \mathbf{S}_3]$$