#### Interplay of valence and magnetic fluctuations in heavy fermions

or

Super-exchange ferromagnetic correlations in Ruthenate – Origin of triplet superconductivity in Sr2RuO4 –

**2d** 

**3d** 

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"Interaction and Nanostructural Effects in Low-Dimensional Systems" Microscopic Model for Spin-Triplet Superconductor Sr<sub>2</sub>RuO<sub>4</sub> - Crucial Role of Oxygen -

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## 1) Introduction for Sr<sub>2</sub>RuO<sub>4</sub>

Crystal structure

Isomorphic to high-Tc cuprate



CEF level scheme of Ru4+

$$t_{2g} \qquad \stackrel{\bigstar}{\longleftarrow} \qquad \begin{array}{c} d_{x} \\ \stackrel{\bigstar}{\longleftarrow} \\ d_{zx} \\ d_{zx} \\ d_{yz} \\ \end{array}$$

A. P. Mackenzie and Y. Maeno: Rev. Mod. Phys. **75** (2003) 657.

#### Quasi-2d Fermi surface



I. I. Mazin and D. J. Singh: PRL **79** (1997) 733.

$$γ$$
 - band : d<sub>xy</sub> + p<sub>x</sub> + p<sub>y</sub>  
 $α$ ,  $β$  - band : d<sub>zx</sub> + p<sub>z</sub> + p<sub>x</sub>  
& d<sub>yz</sub> + p<sub>y</sub> + p<sub>x</sub>

Spin-triplet superconductivity with Tc  $\sim$  1.5K



# 2) Roles of oxygen in Sr<sub>2</sub>RuO<sub>4</sub>



## 2-a) Specialty of Sr<sub>2</sub>RuO<sub>4</sub> based 4d electrons

#### Band structure calculation



T. Oguchi: PRB **51** (1995) 1385.

Appreciable weight of 2p-component remaining at Fermi level

$$\frac{N_{\mathsf{F}}(\mathsf{O}_{\mathsf{I}}2p)}{N_{\mathsf{F}}(\mathsf{Ru}4d)} \simeq 0.17$$

$$\frac{N_{\mathsf{F}}(\mathsf{O}_{\mathsf{I}}2p)}{N_{\mathsf{F}}(\mathsf{Ru}4d_{xy})} \simeq 0.34$$

Roles of oxygen cannot be eliminated

#### Necessity of d-p model beyond Hubbard model

What kind of roles expected ?

# **2-b) Coulomb repulsion U**<sub>pp</sub> **at oxygen site** Hoshihara & KM: J. Phys. Soc. Jpn. **74** (2005) 2679

#### Microscopic Model: Coulomb repulsion at O site

In usual transition metal oxides, the Coulomb interaction at O site play only minor role because the weight of d-electron molecular orbital at O site small as in high- $T_c$  cuprates.

On the other hand, in  $Sr_2RuO_4$ , there seems to be a moderately strong hybridization between the wave functions of 4d-electron in Ru and 2p-electron in O, making the "d-electron".

The Coulomb interaction  $U_{pp}$  at O site may not be neglected, while the direct Coulomb interaction V at the nearest-neighbor Ru sites would be negligibly small.

Ru 4dxy

O 2px

O 2py

#### Band structure calculation





## Origin of the inter-site exchange interaction on the d-p model



Interaction terms

$$\mathcal{H}_{U} = U_{dd} \sum_{i} d^{\dagger}_{i\uparrow} d_{i\uparrow} d^{\dagger}_{i\downarrow} d_{i\downarrow} = -\frac{U_{dd}}{6} \sum_{i} \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} d^{\dagger}_{i\alpha} d^{\dagger}_{i\gamma} d_{i\delta} d_{i\beta} (\vec{\sigma}_{\alpha\beta} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_{\gamma\delta})$$
$$\mathcal{H}_{ex} = U_{pp} \sum_{m,i} p^{\dagger}_{mi\uparrow} p_{mi\uparrow} p^{\dagger}_{mi\downarrow} p_{mi\downarrow} = -\frac{U_{pp}}{6} \sum_{m,i} \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} p^{\dagger}_{mi\alpha} p^{\dagger}_{mi\gamma} p_{mi\delta} p_{mi\beta} (\vec{\sigma}_{\alpha\beta} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_{\gamma\delta})$$

 $a_{\mathbf{k}\sigma}$  : The operator for the "d–electron"

$$\mathcal{H}_{ex}^{(x)} = -\frac{U_{pp}}{6} \sum_{\mathbf{kk'q}} \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} \frac{V_{x\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}V_{x\mathbf{k'}-\mathbf{q}}V_{x\mathbf{k}}}{D_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}D_{\mathbf{k'}-\mathbf{q}}D_{\mathbf{k}'}D_{\mathbf{k}}} a_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}\alpha}^{\dagger} a_{\mathbf{k'}-\mathbf{q}\gamma}^{\dagger} a_{\mathbf{k}'\delta}a_{\mathbf{k}\beta}(\vec{\sigma}_{\alpha\beta}\cdot\vec{\sigma}_{\gamma\delta})$$

$$V_{x\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}V_{x\mathbf{k'}-\mathbf{q}}V_{x\mathbf{k'}}V_{x\mathbf{k}}/(2it_{dp})^{4} = \frac{1}{8} \left\{ 1+\cos q_{x}+\cos(k_{x}-k'_{x}+q_{x})+\cos(k_{x}+k'_{x})-\cos k_{x}-\cos k'_{x}-\cos(k_{x}+q_{x})-\cos(k'_{x}-q_{x}) \right\}$$

$$Fourier transformation (\mathbf{k} to \mathbf{x}) \qquad D_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}D_{\mathbf{k'}-\mathbf{q}}D_{\mathbf{k}'}D_{\mathbf{k}} \equiv D^{4} = \text{const.}$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{ex} = -\frac{U_{pp}t_{dp}^{4}}{3D^{4}} \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} \left\{ (i,i,i,i)+(i,j,j,i)+(i,j,i,j)+(i,i,j,j)-(i,i,i,j)-(i,i,j,i)-(j,i,i,i)-(i,j,i,i) \right\} (\vec{\sigma}_{\alpha\beta}\vec{\sigma}_{\gamma\delta})$$

$$(i,j,j,i) \equiv a_{i\alpha}^{\dagger}a_{j\gamma}^{\dagger}a_{j\delta}a_{i\beta}$$

$$Fourier transformation (\mathbf{x} to \mathbf{k})$$

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$$\mathcal{H}_{ex} = -\frac{1}{4} \sum_{\mathbf{kk'q}} \sum_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} J_{\mathbf{k},\mathbf{k'};\mathbf{q}} a_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}\alpha}^{\dagger}a_{\mathbf{k'}-\mathbf{q}\gamma}^{\dagger}a_{\mathbf{k}'\delta}a_{\mathbf{k}\beta}(\vec{\sigma}_{\alpha\beta}\cdot\vec{\sigma}_{\gamma\delta} - \delta_{\alpha\beta}\delta_{\gamma\delta})$$

$$J_{\mathbf{k},\mathbf{k}';\mathbf{q}} = \frac{2U_{pp}t_{dp}^4}{D_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}}D_{\mathbf{k}'-\mathbf{q}}D_{\mathbf{k}'}D_{\mathbf{k}}} \sum_m \left\{ \frac{1}{2} + \cos q_m - \cos k_m - \cos k_m' + \frac{1}{2}\cos(k_m + k_m') \right\}$$

In order that  $H_{ex}$  plays an important role, the ratio  $t_{dp}/D$  should not be too small.

Such a condition is expected to be fulfilled in Ru-oxide, because the energy level of 4d-electron in Ru is deeper than that of 3d-electron in Fe or of 5d-electron in Os in general, and is located near that of 2p-electron in O.

This implies that there exists a moderately strong hybridization between electrons in Ru and O. T. Oguchi: PRB 51 (1995) 1385., D. J. Singh: PRB 52 (1995) 1358.



#### Pairing interaction up to the second order perturbation

cf. 3rd order perturbation is necessary for theory on multi-band Hubbard model Nomura & Yamada : J. Phys. Soc. Jpn. 69 (2000) 3678



Of course, SU(2) symmetry is preserved, namely:  $V_{\mathbf{k},\mathbf{k}'}^t = \frac{\Gamma_{\mathbf{k},\mathbf{k}'}^{\uparrow\uparrow} - \Gamma_{\mathbf{k},-\mathbf{k}'}^{\uparrow\uparrow}}{2} = \frac{\Gamma_{\mathbf{k},\mathbf{k}'}^{\uparrow\downarrow} - \Gamma_{\mathbf{k},-\mathbf{k}'}^{\uparrow\downarrow}}{2}$ 

## Structure of the SC gap and transition temperature Variational Solution

Specified gaps  $\Delta_{\mathbf{k}}$ : Linearized gap equation  $\sqrt{2}\sin k_x \ (p_x \text{-pairing})$  $\Delta_{\mathbf{k}} = -\sum_{\mathbf{k}'} V_{\mathbf{k},\mathbf{k}'}^{\mathbf{t},s} \frac{\Delta_{\mathbf{k}'}}{\xi_{\mathbf{k}'}} \tanh\left(\frac{\xi_{\mathbf{k}'}}{2T_c}\right)$  $\sqrt{2}\sin(k_x+k_y)$  ( $p_{x+y}$ -pairing)  $2\sin k_x \sin k_y \ (d_{xy}$ -pairing)  $\cos k_x - \cos k_y \ (d_{x^2-y^2}$ -pairing)  $Sr_2RuO_4$  corresponds to the parameters, n=1.33, 0.6=buU D=0.15 and a moderate value of  $U_{pp}$ . n=1.33  $10^{1}$ - D=0.05 - D=0.1 - (D=0.15)  $10^{2}$  $T_c$  is enhanced as  $U_{pp}$  is applied and D becomes → D=0.2 smaller. 10  $T_c$  is also enhanced when the system is located U<sub>dd</sub>=3.0 away from the half-filling (n=1.0).  $10^{1}$ D=0.15 n=1.5 It is noted that  $U_{dd}$  and  $U_{pp}$  are the renormalized n=1.4 (n=1.33  $10^{2}$ interaction so that  $U_{pp}$ =4.0t<sub>dp</sub> is not unrealistically n=1.2 large.  $10^{3}$ 

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1

0

3

Upp

5

6

7

## Short-range ferromagnetic correlations

#### Spin susceptibility including the vertex correction up to the first order perturbation





## Theory

#### Good Agreement?

As far as short-range ferromagnetic correlations are concerned

## **Experiment of Neutron** Scattering

# Conclusions of 2-b)

- We have derived from the so-called d-p model the effective inter-site interaction H<sub>ex</sub>, whose origin is the on-site Coulomb interaction at O site.
- Unlike the Cuprates,  $H_{ex}$  is important in  $Sr_2RuO_4$  due to a moderately strong hybridization between electrons in Ru and O.
- Short-range ferromagnetic correlations were induced by H<sub>ex</sub>.
- Within the second order perturbation theory, we have shown that the triplet superconducting state of  $(\sin p_x + i \sin p_y)$ -type is promoted as applying U<sub>pp</sub>.

# 2-c) Effect of p-orbitals on q-dependent spin susceptibility



$$\chi^{(0)}_{\perp}(q,0) \equiv -T \sum_{\epsilon_n} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} G^{(0)}_{\gamma}(\mathbf{k},i\epsilon_n) \times G^{(0)}_{\gamma}(\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q},i\epsilon_n)$$

Hoshihara & KM



$$\chi_{\perp}^{(0)}(q,0) \equiv -T \sum_{\epsilon_n} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \sum_{n,m} G_{nm}^{(0)}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{i}\epsilon_n) \times G_{mn}^{(0)}(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{q}, \mathbf{i}\epsilon_n)$$
$$(n,m = p_x, p_y, d_{xy})$$
$$G_{nm}^{(0)}(k) = \sum_{a} U_{na}(\mathbf{k}) U_{ma}^*(\mathbf{k}) G_a^{(0)}(k)$$

$$(a = \gamma, \tilde{p}_1, \tilde{p}_2)$$

Yoshioka & KM



Agreement between experiment and theory greatly improved

Role of p-orbitals cannot be neglected even for non-interacting case

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}_{dp}^{(0)} &= \sum_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} \left( \begin{array}{cc} d_{\mathbf{k}\sigma}^{\dagger} & p_{x\mathbf{k}\sigma}^{\dagger} & p_{y\mathbf{k}\sigma}^{\dagger} \end{array} \right) \left( \begin{array}{cc} \varepsilon_{d} & V_{y\mathbf{k}}^{*} & V_{x\mathbf{k}}^{*} \\ V_{y\mathbf{k}} & \varepsilon_{p} & W_{\mathbf{k}} \\ V_{x\mathbf{k}} & W_{\mathbf{k}} & \varepsilon_{p} \end{array} \right) \left( \begin{array}{cc} d_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} \\ p_{x\mathbf{k}\sigma} \\ V_{x\mathbf{k}} & W_{\mathbf{k}} & \varepsilon_{p} \end{array} \right) \left( \begin{array}{cc} d_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} \\ p_{x\mathbf{k}\sigma} \\ p_{y\mathbf{k}\sigma} \end{array} \right) \\ \mathcal{H}_{dp}^{(0)} &= \sum_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} \left( \begin{array}{cc} a_{1\mathbf{k}\sigma}^{\dagger} & a_{2\mathbf{k}\sigma}^{\dagger} & a_{3\mathbf{k}\sigma}^{\dagger} \end{array} \right) \left( \begin{array}{cc} \lambda_{1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_{3} \end{array} \right) \left( \begin{array}{cc} a_{1\mathbf{k}\sigma} \\ a_{2\mathbf{k}\sigma} \\ a_{3\mathbf{k}\sigma} \end{array} \right) = U^{-1}(\mathbf{k}) \left( \begin{array}{cc} d_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} \\ p_{x\mathbf{k}\sigma} \\ p_{y\mathbf{k}\sigma} \end{array} \right) \\ \mathcal{H}_{int} &= \sum_{\mathbf{k}\mathbf{k}'\mathbf{q}} \tilde{J}_{\mathbf{k},\mathbf{k}';\mathbf{q}} a_{\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{q}\uparrow}^{\dagger} a_{\mathbf{k}'-\mathbf{q}\downarrow}^{\dagger} a_{\mathbf{k}'\downarrow}^{\dagger} a_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow} \\ \tilde{J}_{\mathbf{k},\mathbf{k}';\mathbf{q}} &= U_{\mathbf{k},\mathbf{k}';\mathbf{q}} + J_{\mathbf{k},\mathbf{k}';\mathbf{q}} + J_{\mathbf{k}',\mathbf{k};\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{k}'+\mathbf{q} \end{aligned} \right) \quad \text{FFT is unavailable} \end{aligned}$$

$$G_{nm}^{(0)}(k) = -T_{\tau} \langle c_{nk\sigma} c_{mk\sigma}^{\dagger} \rangle$$

$$= \sum_{ab} -T_{\tau} \langle a_{ak\sigma} a_{bk\sigma}^{\dagger} \rangle U_{na}(\mathbf{k}) U_{mb}^{*}(\mathbf{k})$$

$$= \sum_{a} U_{na}(\mathbf{k}) U_{ma}^{*}(\mathbf{k}) G_{a}^{(0)}(k)$$

$$= \sum_{a} U_{na}(\mathbf{k}) U_{ma}^{*}(\mathbf{k}) G_{a}^{(0)}(k)$$
Matrix Green's function enables us to use FFT method.

## 3<sup>rd</sup> order perturbation for pairing interaction (Yoshioka & KM)



# Results of T<sub>c</sub> on 3<sup>rd</sup> order perturbation



- Tc monotonically increases with U<sub>pp</sub>, indicating the importance of U<sub>pp</sub> for spin-triplet superconductivity.
- It is noted that  $U_{dd}$  and  $U_{pp}$  are the renormalized interaction so that  $U_{pp} \sim U_{dd}$  is not unrealistic.

Effect of 3<sup>rd</sup> order perturbation is very small: vertex correction is not important

In contrast to the case of Nomura & Yamada for Hubbard model

# Gap function on 3<sup>rd</sup> order perturbation

Since only spin-triplet pairing appears within 2<sup>nd</sup> order perturbation, we solve the Eliashberg equation for spin-triplet channel.

Right figure shows the resulting gap function, which has nearly sin-wave structure.







#### Nomura & Yamada

J. Phys. Soc. Jpn. 71 (2002) 404



#### Yoshioka & KM

# Conclusions of 2-c)

- Effect of p-orbitals is very crucial for q-dependence of spin-susceptibility, and leads to better agreement between experiment. So obtained short-range ferromagnetic correlations promote the spin-triplet pairing.
- Tc is calculated on the d-p model within the 3<sup>rd</sup> order perturbation, leading to essentially the same value calculated within 2<sup>nd</sup> order perturbation in which effect of  $U_{pp}$  is crucial.
- The resultant superconducting state is (sin p<sub>x</sub> + i sin p<sub>y</sub>) which is promoted by U<sub>pp</sub>.

## 3) Issue on anisotropy of d-vector of Sr<sub>2</sub>RuO<sub>4</sub>

d-vector of spin-triplet pairing



0.05T < H < 1.1T **d** // c (z)

 $\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{k}) = \hat{z}\Delta_0(\sin k_x \pm \mathrm{i}\sin k_y)$ 

## Recent development of Knight shift measurements

Knight Shift for H // c (z) Murakawa et al: Phys. Rev. Lett. **93** (2004) 167004

J. Phys. Soc. Jpn. 76 (2007) 024716





**d** ⊥ c (z)

Summary of d-vector under magnetic field H

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H \perp c(z): 0.05T < H < 1.1T d // c(z)
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H // c (z): 0.02T < H < 0.8T d \perp c (z)
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Pinning force of d-vector expressed by anisotropy field  $\rm H_{a}$ 

Dipole-dipole interaction : **d** // c (z)

by anisotropy field  $H_a$  expected picture

H<sub>c</sub>

H<sub>ab</sub>

H<sub>a</sub> ~ 0.05T Hasegawa: JPSJ 72 (2003) 2456 cf. 3He-A (Leggett )

Spin-orbit interaction of atomic origin : **d** // **c** (**z**)

H<sub>a</sub> ~ 0.015T Yanase & Ogata: JPSJ 72 (2003) 673

Multiband Hubbard model (3<sup>rd</sup> order purturbation) + atomic spin-orbit + Hund coupling

These pinning forces cannot explain Knight shift measurements under magnetic field H

 $d \perp c (z)$  may be intrinsic direction of d -vector and there exists a missing pinning force

# d-vector (2<sup>nd</sup> order perturbation theory)

To violate SU(2) symmetry in the spin space, namely to make difference between  $V_{\uparrow\uparrow}$  and  $V_{\uparrow\downarrow}$ , we introduce atomic spin-orbit interaction  $\lambda$  up to second order and Hund-coupling J<sub>H</sub> up to first order.



Green's function containing  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -band

M. Ogata: J. Phys. Chem. Solids **63** (2002) 1329 K. K. Ng and M. Sigrist: Europhys. Lett. **49** (2000) 473

$$\begin{split} H_{SO} &= \left(\begin{array}{ccc} c_{k\alpha\sigma}^{\dagger} & c_{k\beta\sigma}^{\dagger} & c_{k\gamma-\sigma}^{\dagger} \end{array}\right) \left(\begin{array}{ccc} \varepsilon_{\alpha} & -i\sigma\frac{\lambda}{2} & b_{k\sigma} \\ i\sigma\frac{\lambda}{2} & \varepsilon_{\beta} & i\sigma b_{k\sigma} \\ b_{k\sigma}^{*} & -i\sigma b_{k\sigma}^{*} & \varepsilon_{\gamma} \end{array}\right) \left(\begin{array}{c} c_{k\alpha\sigma} \\ c_{k\beta\sigma} \\ c_{k\gamma-\sigma} \end{array}\right) \\ \\ \text{e.g.} \\ G_{\alpha\uparrow\gamma\downarrow}(k) &= b_{k\uparrow}G_{\alpha}(k)G_{\gamma}(k) \end{split}$$



 $\Delta T_c = T_c(\uparrow\uparrow) - T_c(\uparrow\downarrow) \sim 0.03T_c$ 

d∥ab ~750Oe

## Conclusion of 3)

Paring interaction on d-p model together with the atomic spin-orbit coupling of Ru site and the Hund-rule coupling stabilizes the d-vector perpendicular to the c-axis.

In contrast to previous theories on the basis of multi-band Hubbard model

In agreement with recent experiment of Knight shift

At H=0, d // ab



#### Ferromagnetic transition of SrRuO<sub>3</sub> (3d perovskite)



K Appreciable weight of

p-component at FS

 $\frac{N_{\mathsf{F}}(\mathsf{O}2p)}{N_{\mathsf{F}}(\mathsf{Ru}4d)}$ 

Callagham et al : Inorg Chem **5** (1966) 1572

## Open question for origin of FM

Super-exchange FM interaction via Coulomb correlation at O-site as a possible origin

Band structure calculation

Allen et al : PRB 53 (1996) 4393

$\begin{array}{cccc} Sr & Ru & O_3 \\ \hline Paramagnetic & 12 & 246 & 67 \\ \hline Up & 5 & 84 & 25 \\ Magnetic & Down & 4 & 55 & 17 \end{array}$	
Paramagnetic         12         246         67           Up         5         84         25           Magnetic         Down         4         55         17	Total
Up         5         84         25           Magnetic         Down         4         55         17	325
Magnetic Down 4 55 17	114
	76
Total 9 139 42	190

cf. 0.17 (Sr<sub>2</sub>RuO<sub>4</sub>)

 $\simeq 0.27$ 

#### Effect of Spin-Orbit Interaction in Spin-Triplet Superconductor: Structure of d-vector and Anomalous O<sup>17</sup>-NQR Relaxation in Sr<sub>2</sub>RuO<sub>4</sub>

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