

Beyond DMFT: Spin fluctuations, Pseudogaps and Superconductivity

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Please ask questions



RMP'18

Correlations beyond DMFT:

d-, p-wave superconductivity, pseudogaps,

(para-)magnons, quantum criticality



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Kotliar et al.'98, Lichtenstein, Katsnelson'00 Kotliar et al.'01, Potthoff et al.'03, Maier et al.'05



Take spin fluctuations





Resummation of Feynman diagrams in terms of locality n-particle fully irreducible vertex *approximated as local*

- **n=1: DMFT** local 1-particle fully irreducible vertex Σ $i = \sum_{i=1}^{j} i = i = i = i = i$ + all local + diagrams
- **Σ**: one-particle irreducible one-particle vertex





Resummation of Feynman diagrams in terms of locality n-particle fully irreducible vertex approximated as local

- local 1-particle fully irreducible vertex Σ **n=1**: DMFT **DΓ**Α **n=2**:
 - local 2-particle fully irreducible vertex Λ

error estimate **n=3**:

Ribic et al. PRB'17, 18

 $n \rightarrow \infty$: exact



Two-particle irreducibility





3 ways (channels) to cut two lines





Parquet equations





Ladder D ΓA

k+q k''+q



Calculations using ladder D Γ A (with λ -correction)





Unbiased: spin and charge fluctuations, quantum critical fluct. excellent agreement with diag. MC ... Schäfer et al. PRX'21



Importance of vertex dynamics





suppressed by pp channel $\delta\Gamma_m$





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New age of superconductivity: nickel age



KH et al. Physik Journal Feb. 2022

similar & different to cuprates \rightarrow better understand high T_c supercond.



Anisomov et al. PRB'99 DFT+U: nickelates are cuprate analog



Nd³⁺Ni¹⁺O₂⁴⁻

isoelectric: 3d⁹ isostructural to Ca²⁺Cu²⁺O₂⁴⁻



 $\begin{array}{ll} \mathsf{Nd}_{1-\mathsf{x}}\mathsf{Sr}_{\mathsf{x}}\mathsf{NiO}_2 & \mathsf{Zeng\ et\ al.\ PRL'20} \\ \mathsf{Pr}_{1-\mathsf{x}}\mathsf{Sr}_{\mathsf{x}}\mathsf{NiO}_2 & \mathsf{Osada\ et\ al.\ Nano\ Lett'20} \\ \mathsf{La}_{1-\mathsf{x}}\mathsf{Ca}_{\mathsf{x}}\mathsf{NiO}_2 & \mathsf{Zeng\ Sci.\ Adv.'22} \\ \mathsf{La}_{1-\mathsf{x}}\mathsf{Sr}_{\mathsf{x}}\mathsf{NiO}_2 & \mathsf{Osada\ et\ al.\ Adv.\ Mat.'21} \\ \mathsf{Nd}_6\mathsf{Ni}_5\mathsf{O}_{12} & \mathsf{Pan\ et\ al.\ Nature\ Phys.'21} \\ \mathsf{high\ quality\ films,\ pressure\ ...} \end{array}$

Nickelates & cuprates - similarities & differences





DFT bandstructure

e cf. Botana Norman PRX'20 Sakakibara et al. PRB'20 Wu et al. PRB'20, Zhang et al PRB'20, Werner, Hoshino PRB'20 ...

DFT+DMFT: Ni x^2-y^2 + A pocket



Occam's razor: Ni x^2-y^2 + A pocket



inverse Occam's razor Mazin Nature Phys.'22

Cuprates & nickelates - similarities & differences





 oxygen orbitals important
 holes → oxygen orbitals
 Emery model
 (Hubbard model at most mimics Zhang-Rice singlet) A pocket only electron reservoir holes ½ A pocket ½ Ni x²-y²

Hubbard model w properly calculated doping

Γ pocket as electron reservoir \rightarrow Hubbard model



NdNiO₂: 1-band Hubbard model with U=8t (cRPA: U = 2.6eV = 6.7 t) t = 395 meV, t'/t = -0.25, t''/t = 0.12 and doping from above Fig.

Kitatani ... KH npj QM'20



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Spin fluctuations





 $\chi(\mathbf{r}) = \langle S(\mathbf{r})S(0) \rangle \sim (\mathbf{r}/\xi)^{-1/2} e^{-\mathbf{r}/\xi}$

in practice: Ornstein-Zernike form $\chi_{\omega=0 q} \sim 1/[(q-Q)^2 + \xi^{-2}]$

Spin fluctuations







Paramagnon spectrum NdNiO₂



DΓA Theory Worm ... KH unpublished'22 **RIXS exp.** Lu et al. Science'21 NdNiO₂ on STO (with stacking faults) better films \rightarrow better agreement?

Pseudogap



Pseudogap: Nickelates





Krien, Worm ... KH arXiv:2101.06529

Comm. Phys in print

We can rewrite self-energy as spin-fermion vertex

$$\Sigma_{\rm sp}(k,q) \propto -G_{k+q}W_q\Gamma_{kq}$$

at strong coupling: contribution from Im Γ (!)









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Superconductivity Sr_xNd_{1-x}NiO₂ (d-wave)



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New, cleaner (NdSr)NiO₂ films



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LSAT: 3.890 Å instead of STO: 3.905 Å Lee et al. arXiv:2203.02580

From infinite layer to finite layer





Nd₆Ni₅O₁₂ Pan et al. Nature Phys.'21

essentially same hopping just cut-off after 5 layers

| System | t | t' | $t^{\prime\prime}$ |
|--|--------|-------|--------------------|
| $NdNiO_2$ | -0.395 | 0.095 | -0.047 |
| $\mathrm{Nd}_3\mathrm{Ni}_2\mathrm{O}_6$ | -0.414 | 0.092 | -0.055 |
| $Nd_6Ni_5O_{12}$: Ni-1 | -0.395 | 0.098 | -0.050 |
| | | | |
| $Nd_6Ni_5O_{12}$: Ni-2 | -0.392 | 0.097 | -0.050 |
| Nd ₆ Ni ₅ O ₁₂ : Ni-3 | -0.398 | 0.097 | -0.049 |

Worm ... KH arXiv'21

Pentalayer nickelate





Pentalayer





correlations \rightarrow no pockets/tubes T_c consistent with infinite layer nickelate at proper d_{x²-y²} doping exp. evidence: positive Hall coef. \checkmark

Worm ... KH arXiv'21

How to increase T_c?



- (a) pressure or compressive strain
- (b) substrate different from SrTiO₃
- (c) palladates with 4d instead of 3d

exp. confirmed: $Pr_{1-x}Sr_xNiO_2$ under 12GPa with T_c>30K Wang et al. arXiv:2109.12811

Conclusion

 Diagrammatic extensions of DMFT such as DΓA allow us to describe the physics beyond DMFT such as spin fluctuations superconductivity ...

Nickelates
 Hubbard model: Ni x²-y² orbital
 + electron reservoir: A pocket

 good DΓA prediction of superconducting phase diagram consistent picture





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DTA: Resummation of Feynman diagrams in terms of locality n-particle fully irreducible vertex *approximated as local*

non-local local victory parquet 2 3 F F Σ ladder 2 3 3 **AbinitioDGA** ladderDGA b includes local **DMFT** correlations and non-local correlations (e.g. spin fluctuations)