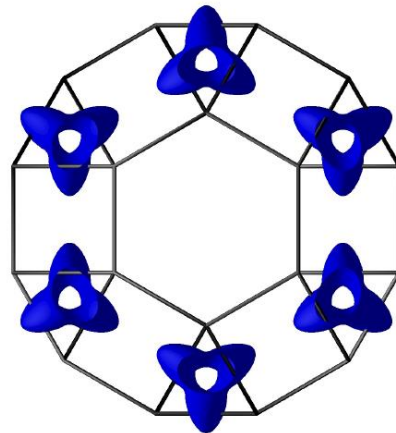
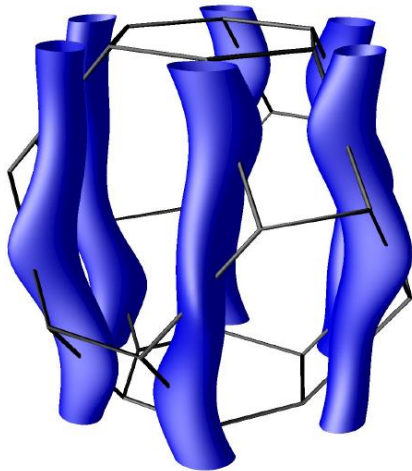


Possible *new* unconventional superconductors?

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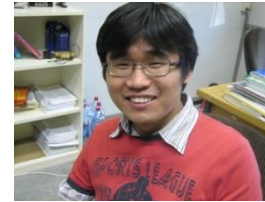
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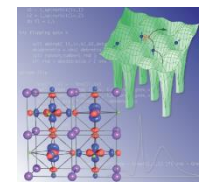
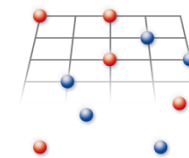


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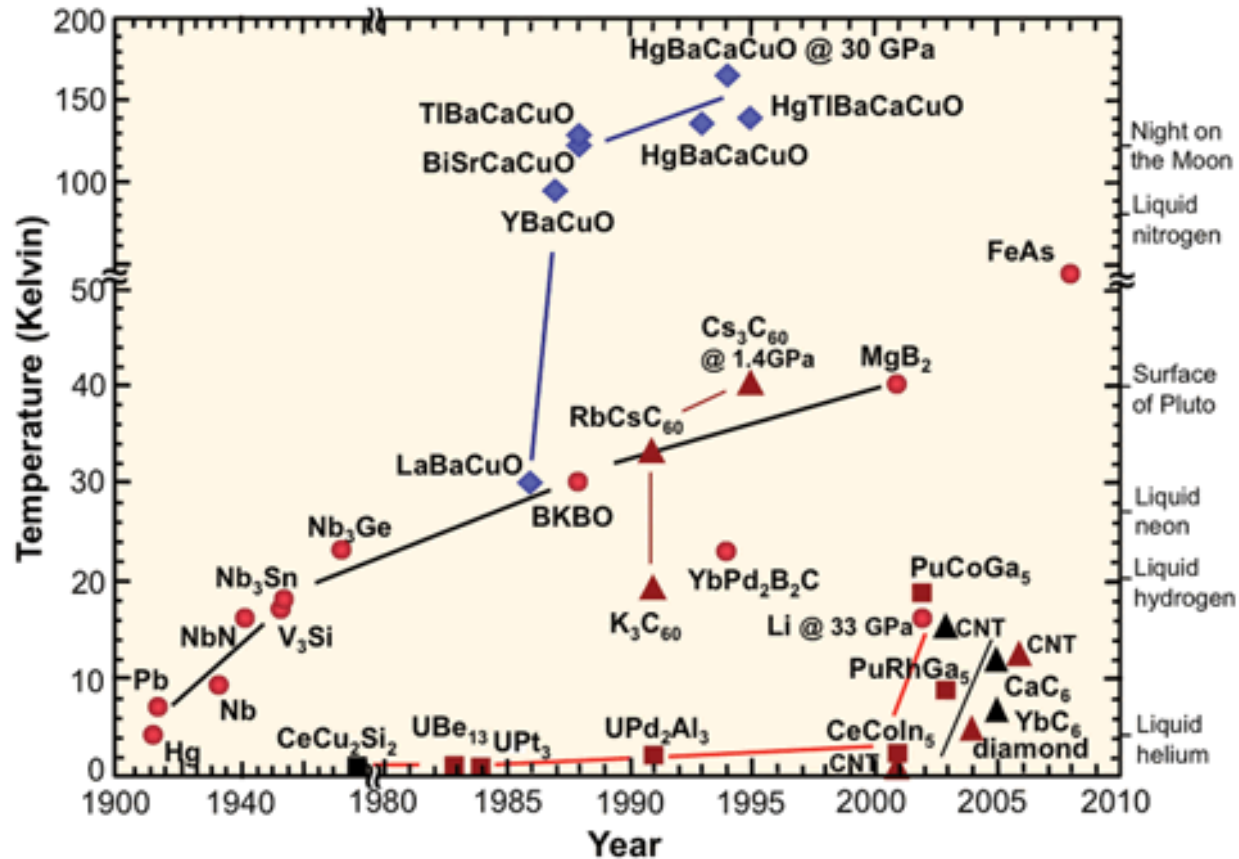
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- ***Can we predict new materials with unconventional superconducting properties?***
- ***Theoretical tools?***

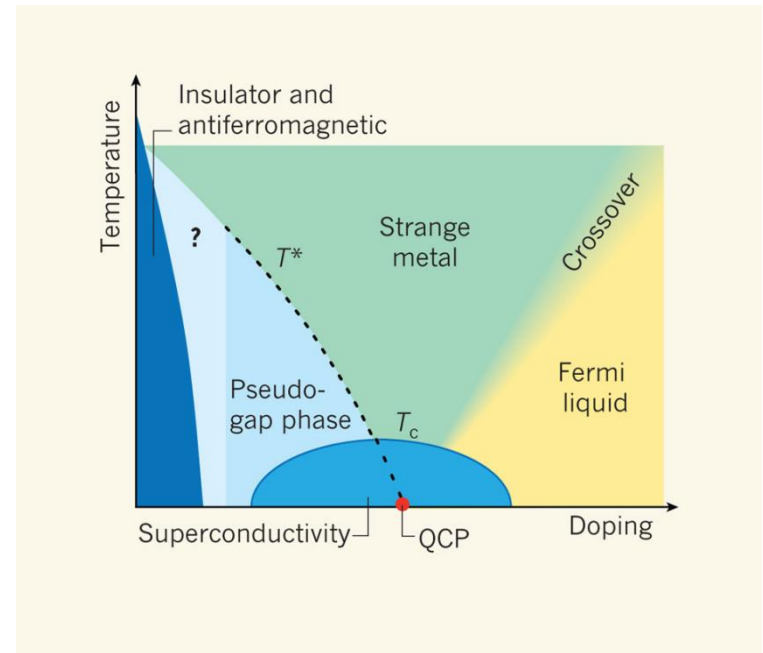
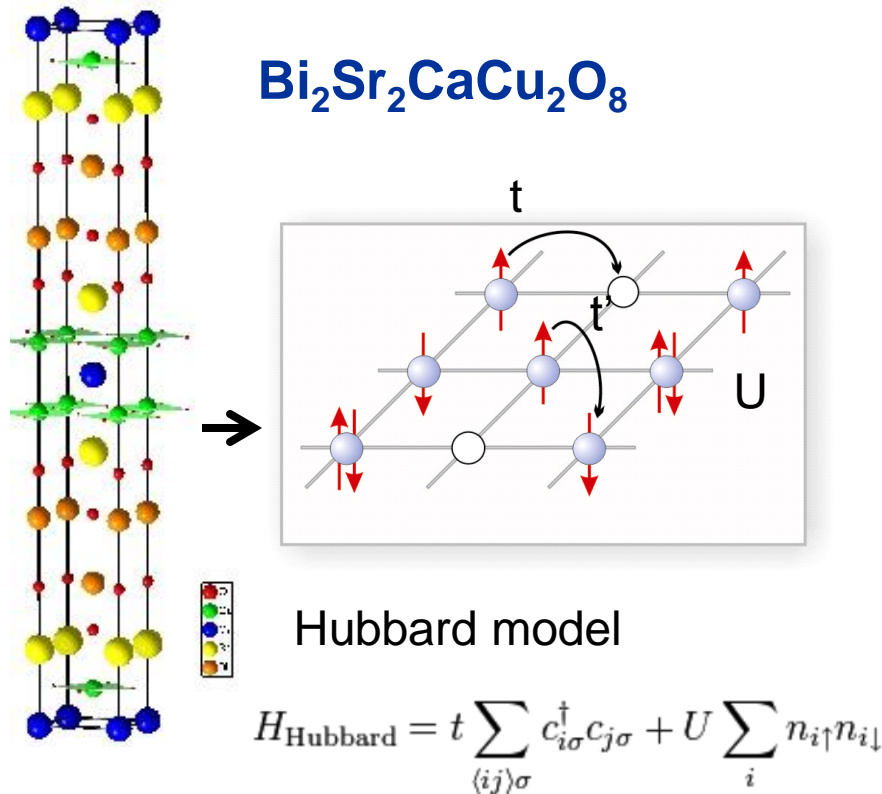
Superconductor families since 1911



Source: U.S. Department of Energy

high-Tc Cu-based superconductors

- Complex phase diagrams: **High-Tc superconductors**

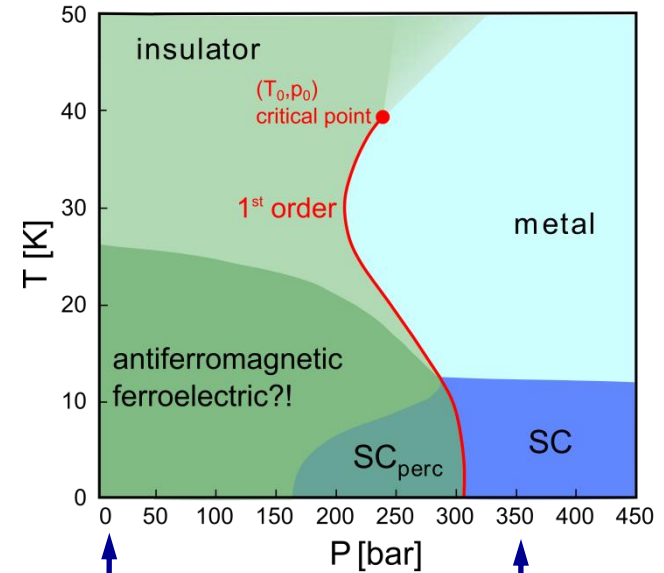
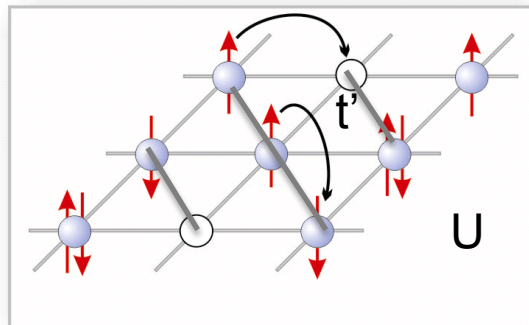
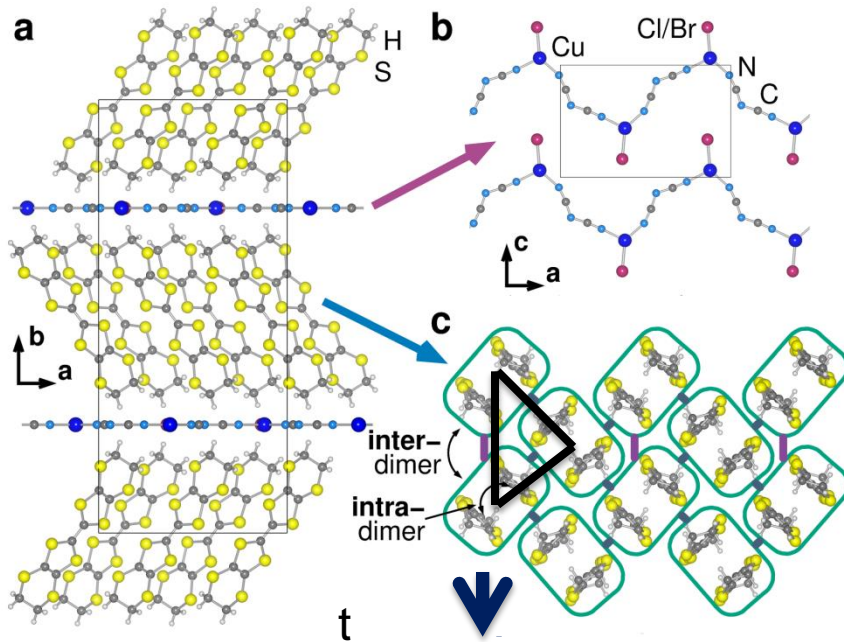


C. Varma *Nature* **468**, 184 (2010)

Competing ordered phases

- Correlation:**
- Mott transition: metal - insulator

Organic superconductors



Shimizu et al. PRL **91**, 107001 (2003)

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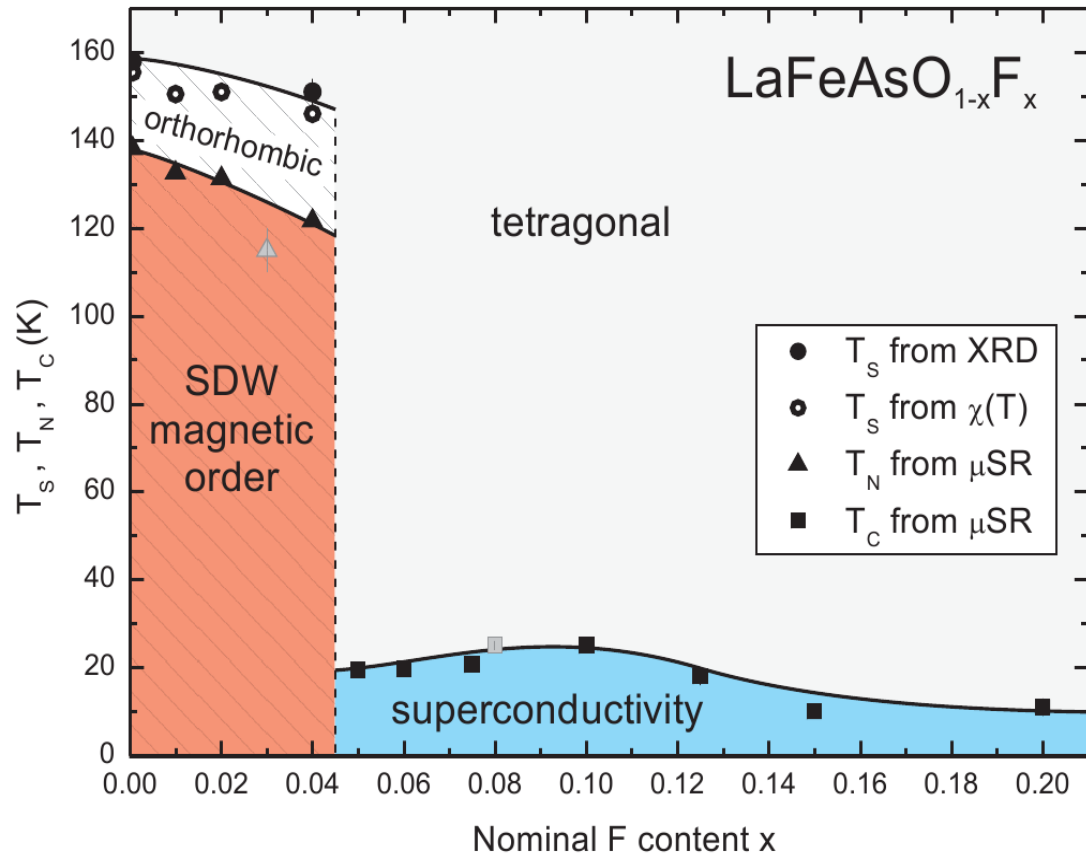
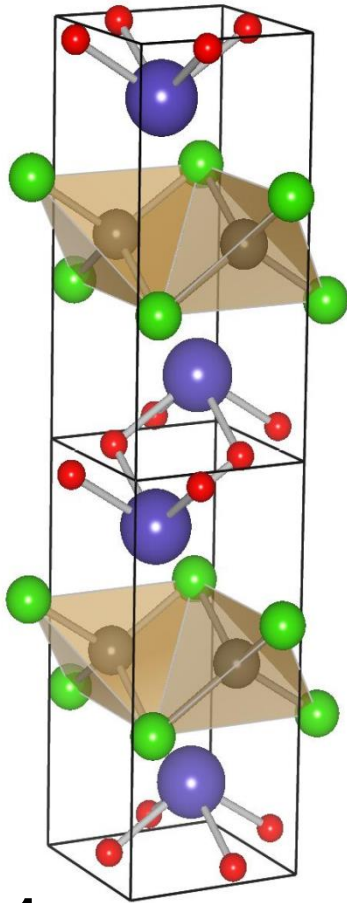
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2008: Fe-based superconductors

■ $T_c = 26\text{K}$



1111

Competing ordered phases

Kamihara et al. JACS 130, 3296 (2008)

Luetkens et al. Nat. Mat. 8, 305 (2009)

- Families:

pnictides

1111 $REO(F)FeAs$ ($T_{cmax}=55K$ SmOFeAs)

122 AFe_2As_2 ($T_{cmax}=38K$ BaFe₂As₂ upon doping)

111 $AMFeAs$ ($T_{cmax}=18K$ LiFeAs)

chalcogenides

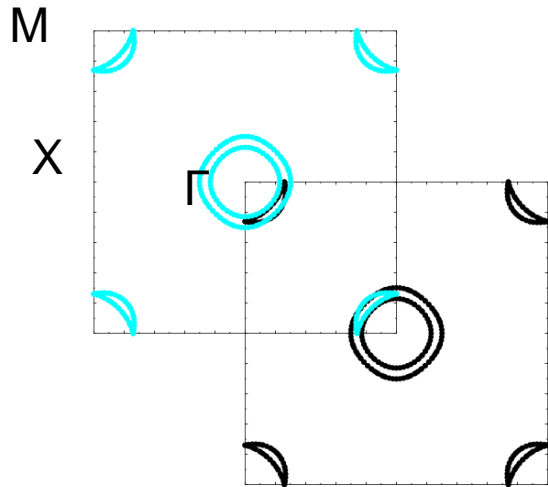
11 FeSe
($T_{cmax}=8K$)

$A_xFe_{2-z}Se_2$ (A=K, Cs, Rb) $T_{cmax}=30K$

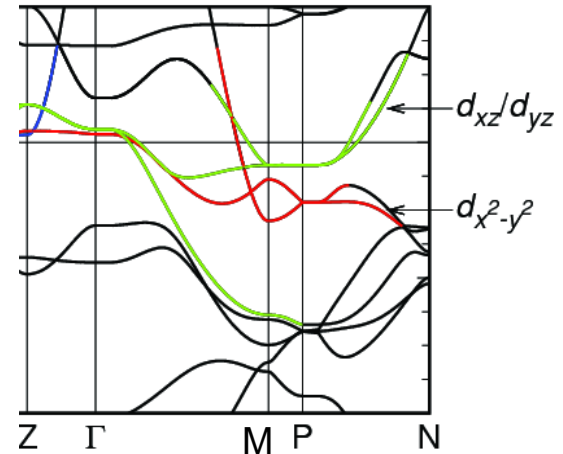
Under P T_c ↑

- FeSe under pressure ($T_{cmax}=37K$)
- FeSe with molecular intercalation ($T_{cmax}=44K$)
- FeSe monolayer on SrTiO₃ ($T_{cmax} \sim 100K?$)

- nesting-driven magnetism:

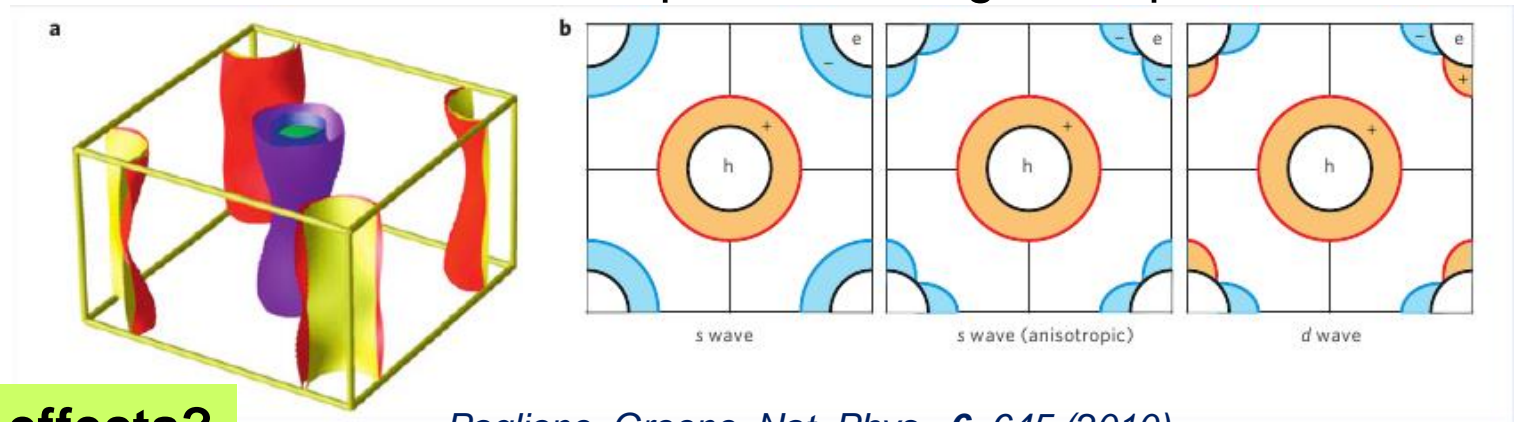


- multiorbital systems:



Fink et al. PRB (2009) ARPES
 Ruillier-Alberque et al. PRL (2012) Transport

- superconducting order parameter:

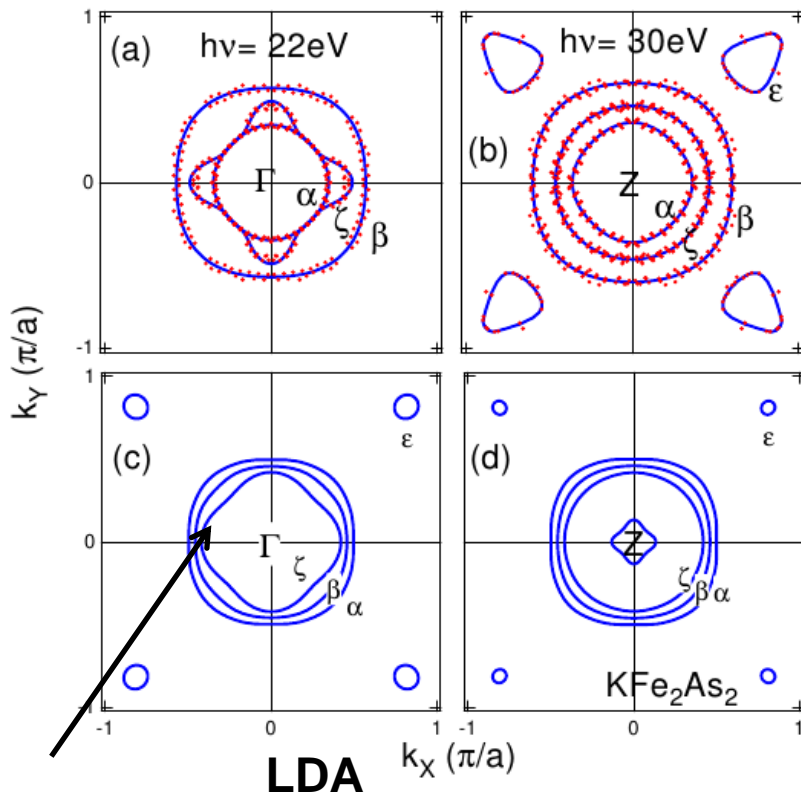


Correlation effects?

Paglione, Greene Nat. Phys. **6**, 645 (2010)
 Hirschfeld, Korshunov, Mazin Rep. Prog. Phys. **74**, 124508 (2011)

Traces in experiment:

- ARPES: renormalization of bands



High sensitivity to structural details

KFe₂As₂

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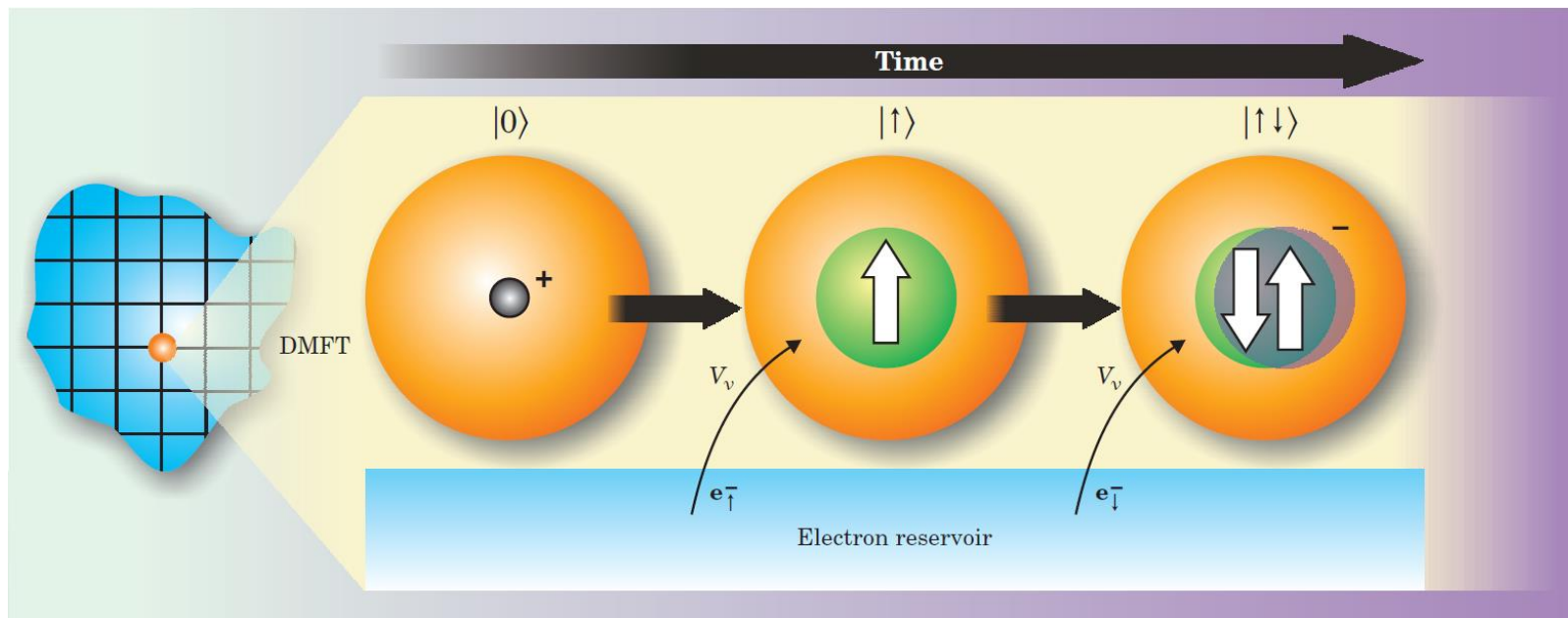
ARPES, de Haas van Alphen, optical conductivity, thermodynamics,...

microscopic description correlated systems

Ab initio DFT + Many-body methods

One-electron approximation

Density Functional theory + **Dynamical Mean Field Theory (DMFT)**



Extensions:

Dynamical Cluster Approximation
(DCA), Cluster DMFT (CDMFT)

T. Maier, M. Jarrell, T. Pruschke, H. Hettler RMP **77**, 1027 (2006)

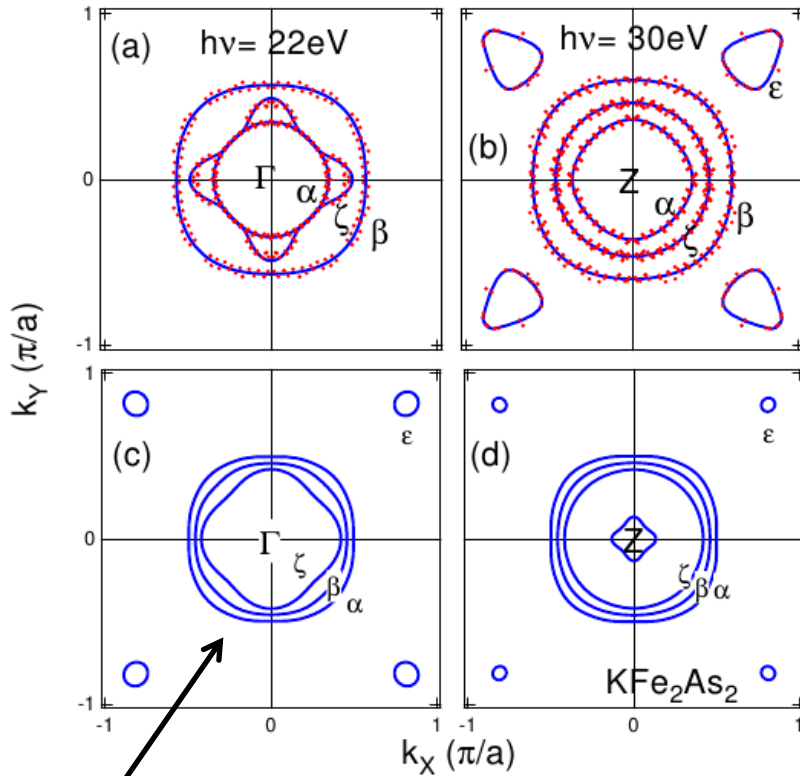
G. Kotliar, D. Vollhardt Phys. Today **57**, 53 (2004)

A. Georges, G. Kotliar PRB **45**, 6479 (1992)

W. Metzner, D. Vollhardt PRL **62**, 324 (1989)

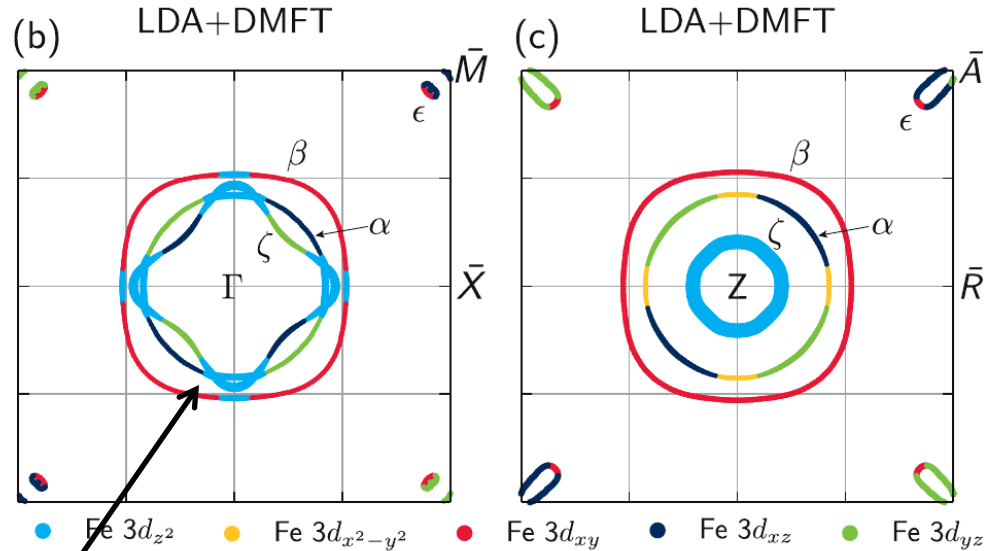
U= 4 eV J= 0.8 eV T=290K

ARPES



LDA

High sensitivity to structural details



(change of topology)

Backes, Guterding, Jeschke, RV NJP **16**, 083025 (2014)

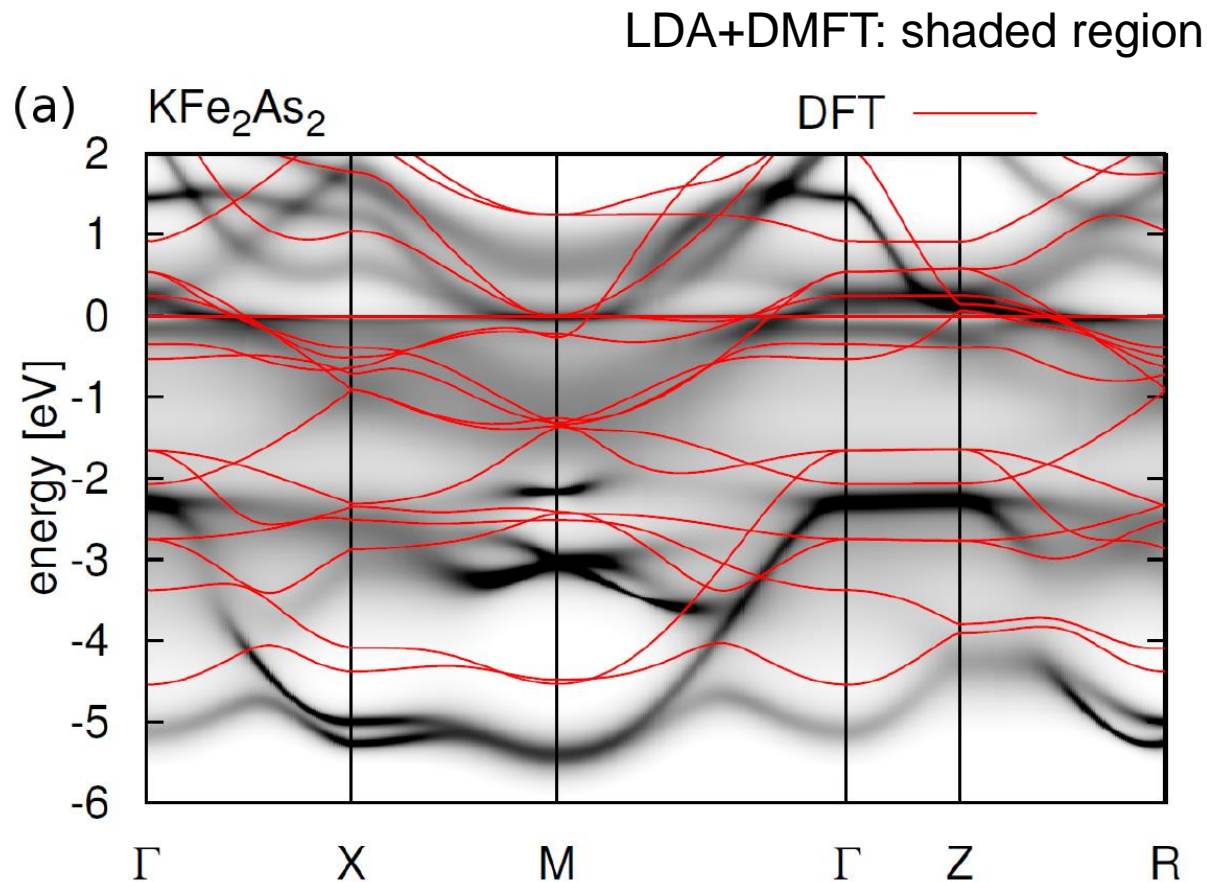
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LDA+DMFT:
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correlated metals



Multiorbital physics

Hund's \leftrightarrow Mott's physics

Yin, Haule, Kotliar Nat. Mater. 10, 932 (2011)

Medici, Mravlje, Georges PRL 107, 256401 (2011)

Hung et al. PRB 91, 195149 (2015)

Fanfarillo, Bascones arXiv:1501.04607

Backes, Jeschke, RV arXiv:1507.07914

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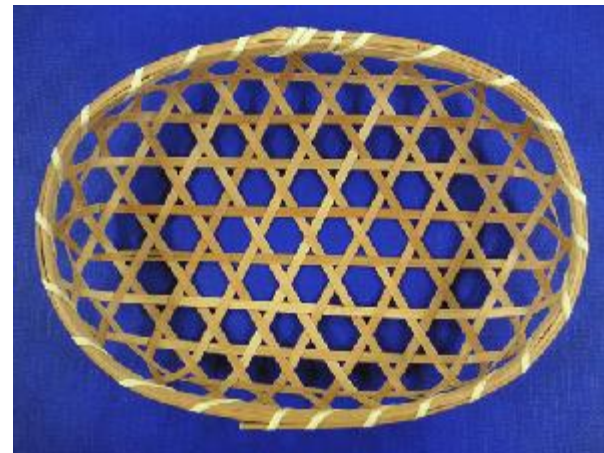
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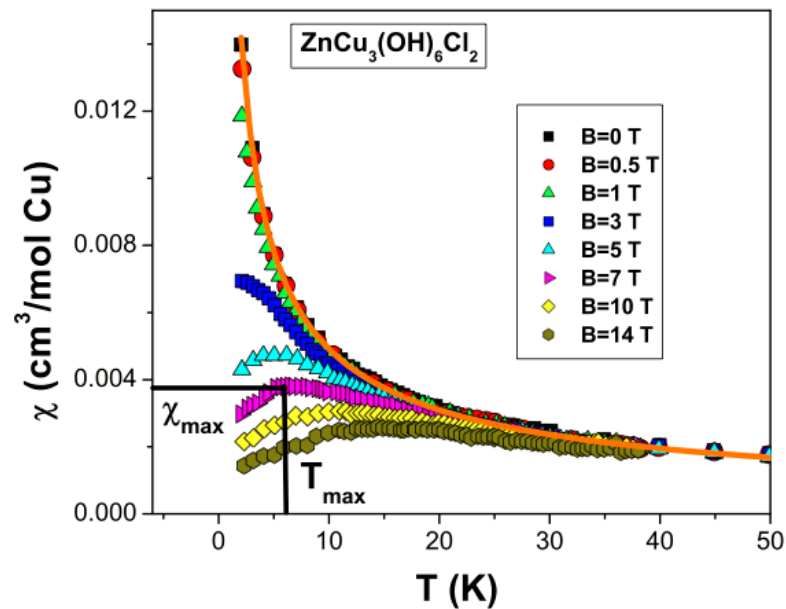
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F. Bert, P. Mendels JPSJ 79, 011001 (2010)
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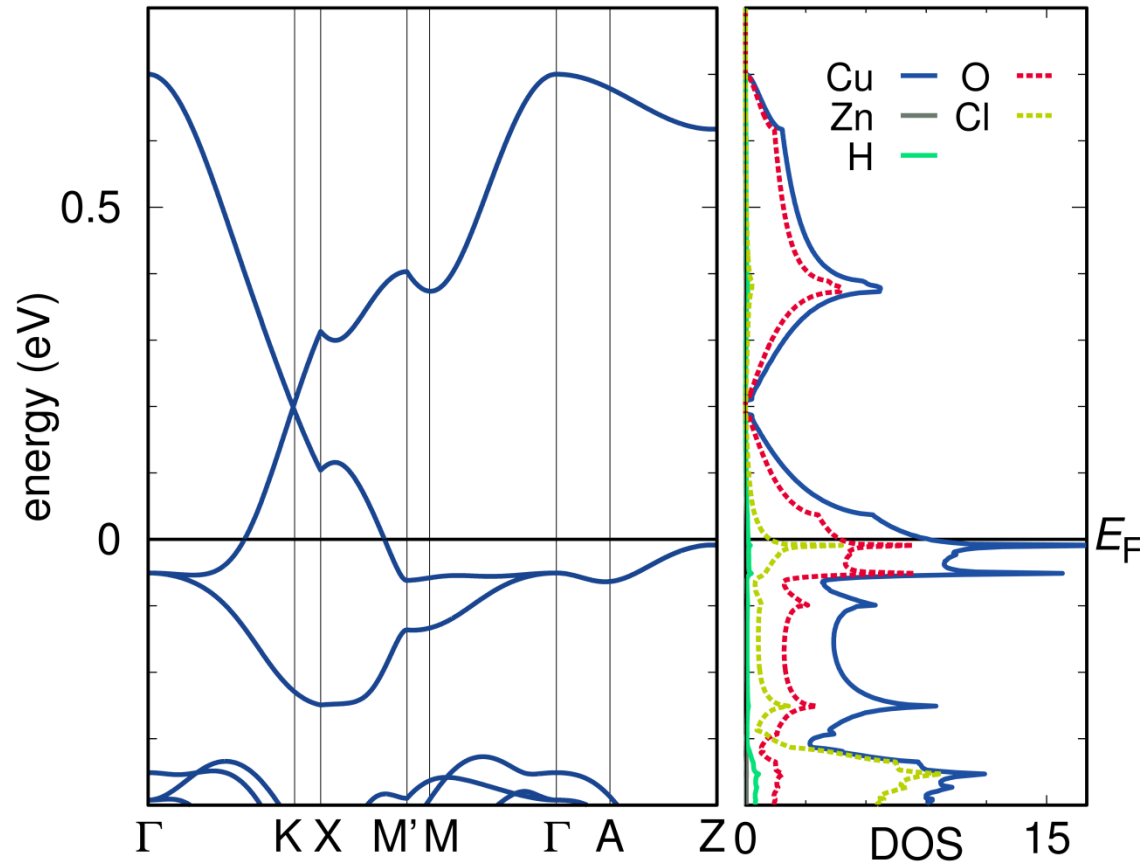


spin liquid!

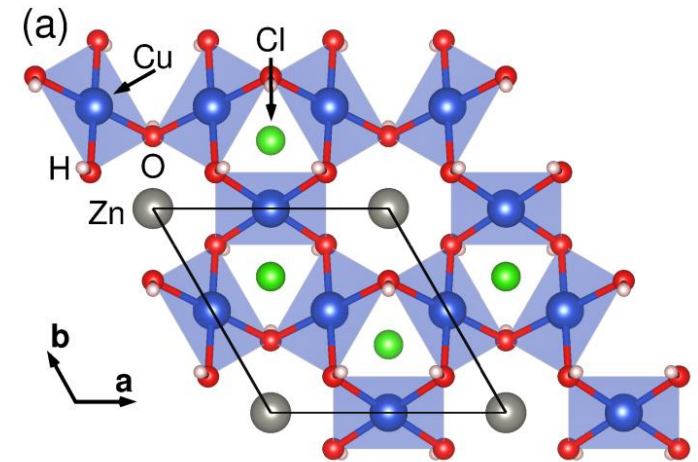
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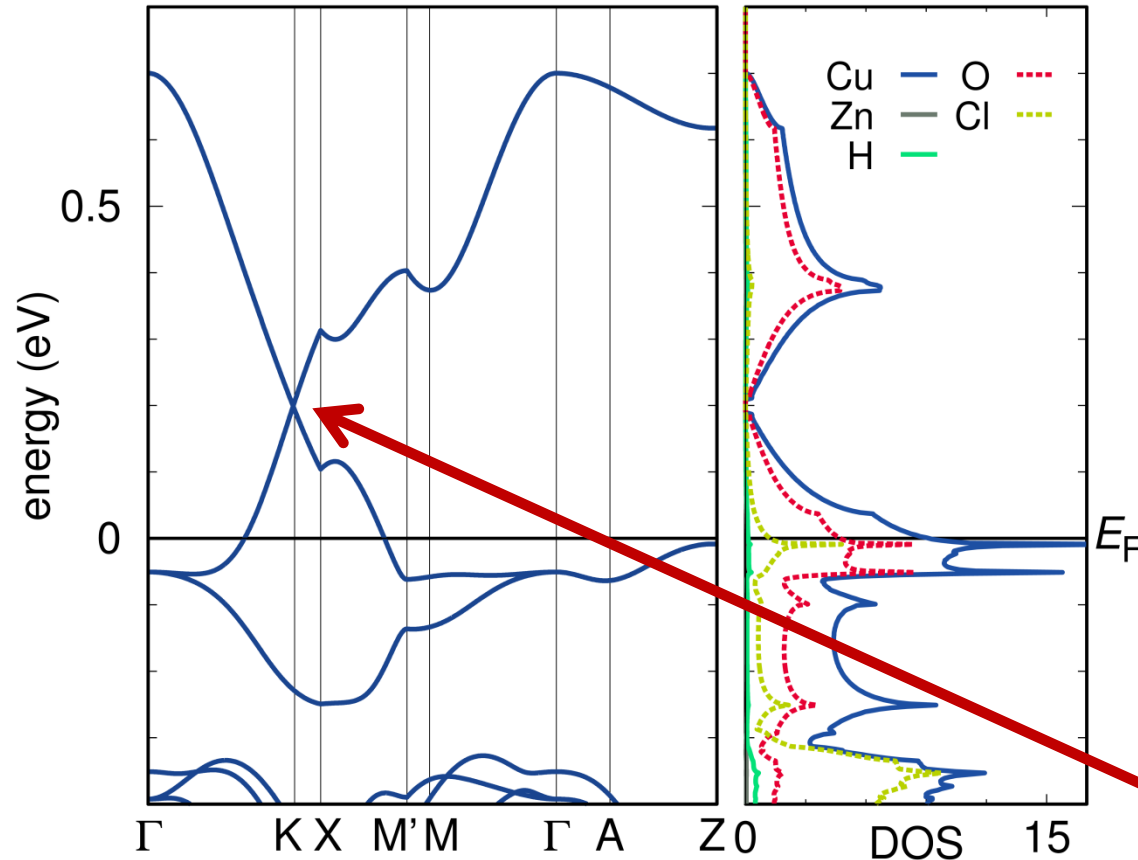
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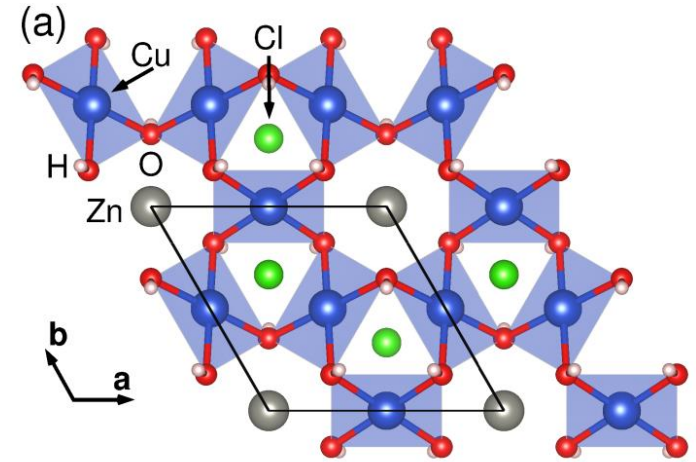
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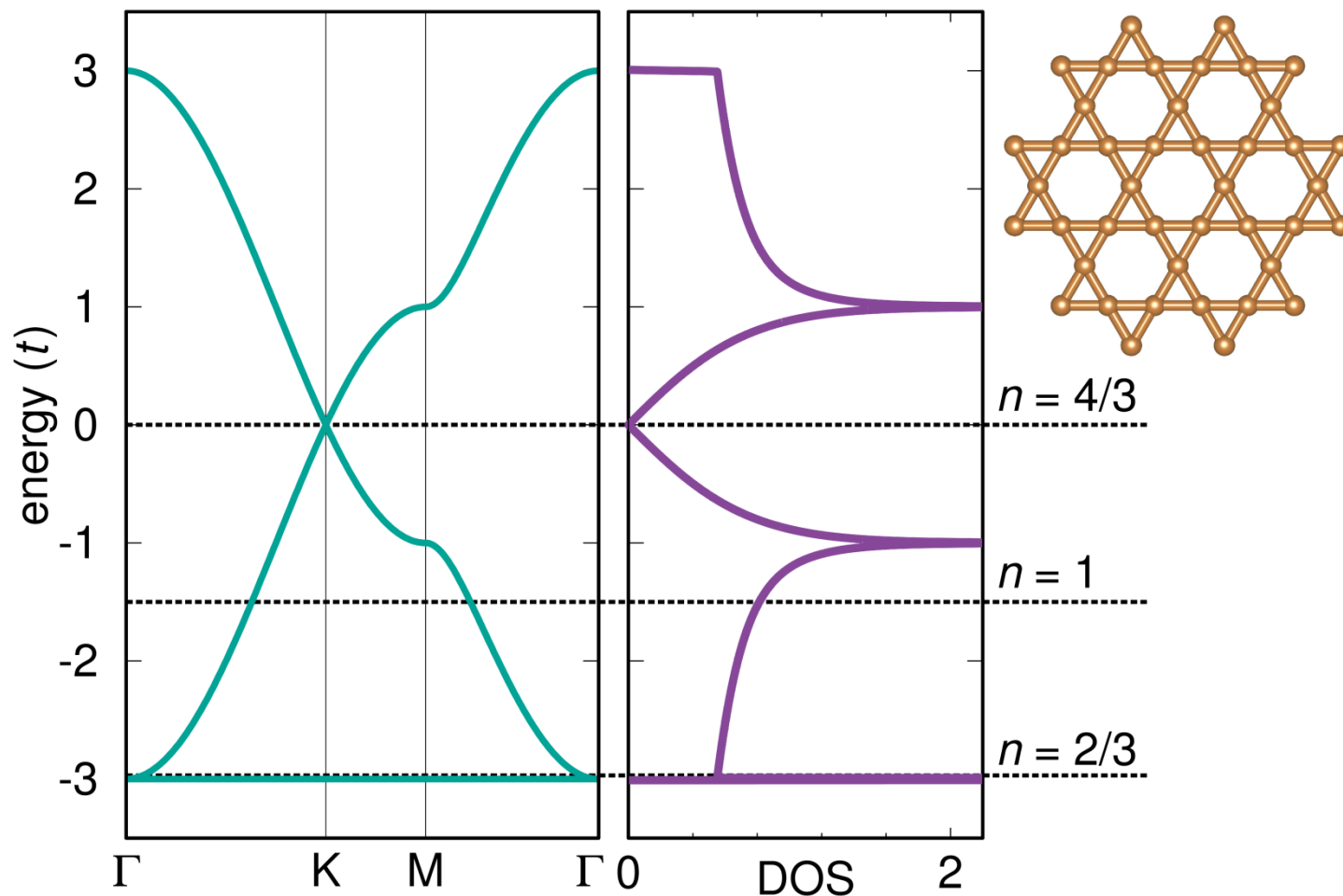
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2D nearest-neighbor tight-binding Kagome

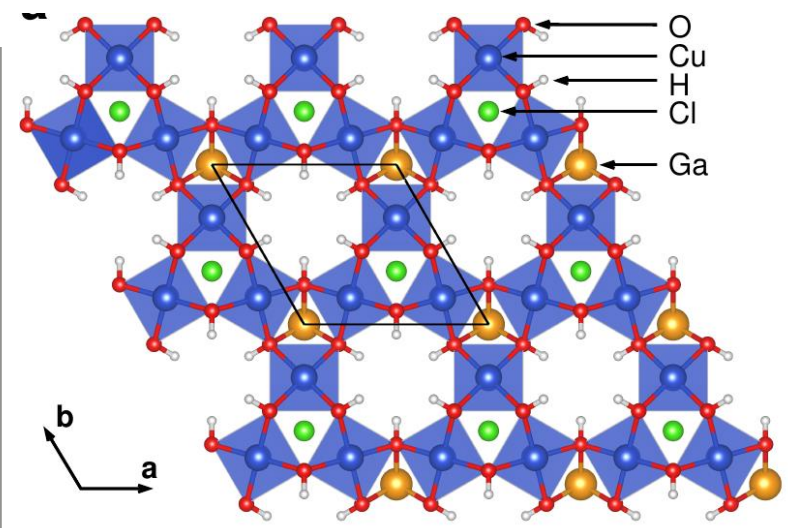
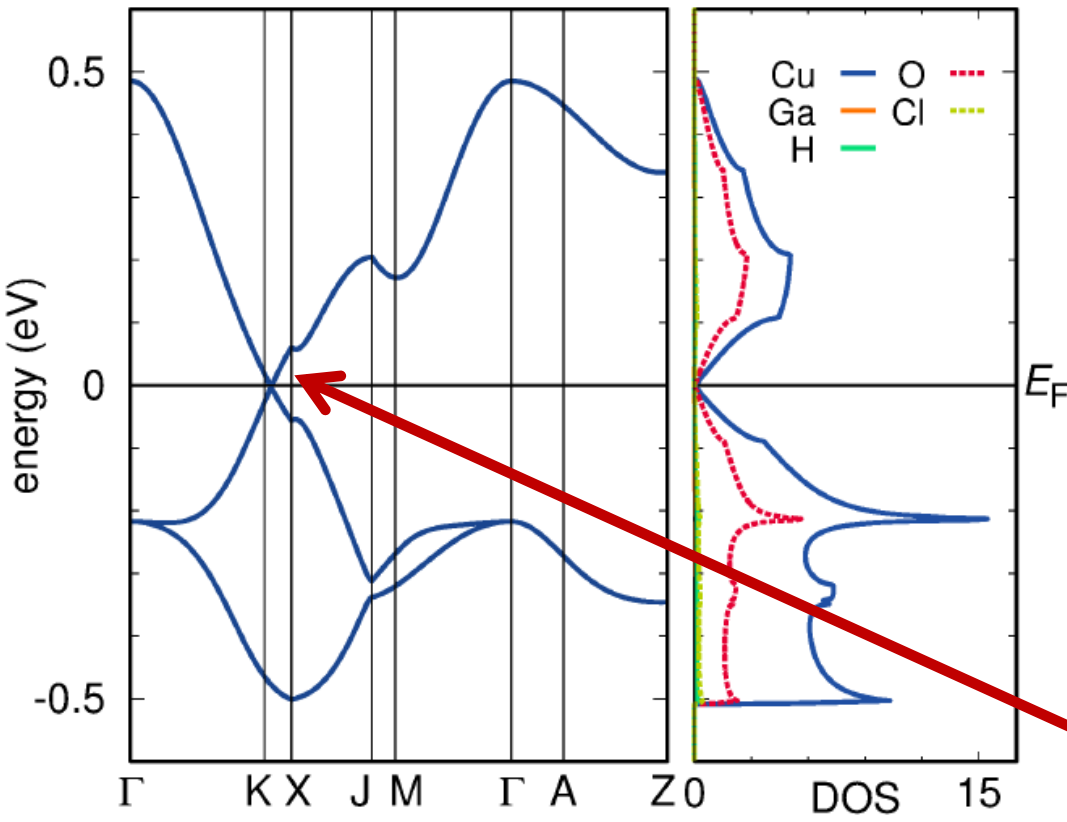


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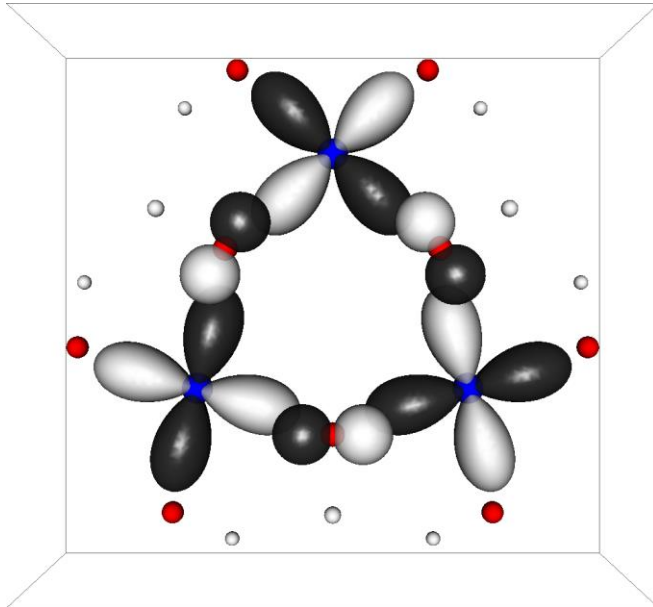
Dirac point

(protected by hexagonal symmetry)

properties?

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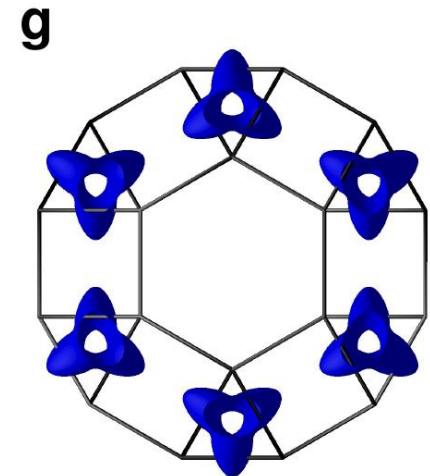
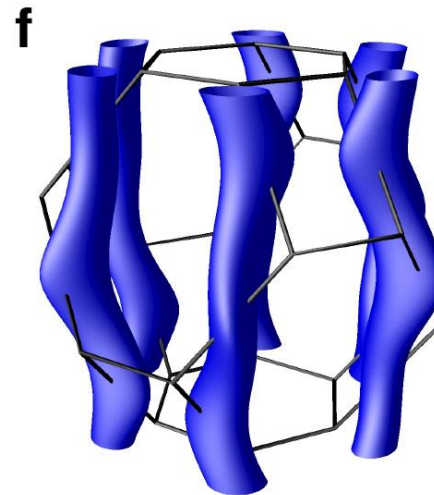
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- states at the Fermi level formed by strongly correlated Cu $d_{x^2-y^2}$ orbitals

effect of correlations?

Fermi surface at $E=-60\text{meV}$



Ga-doped Herbertsmithite: possible instabilities?

Mott-Hubbard instability?

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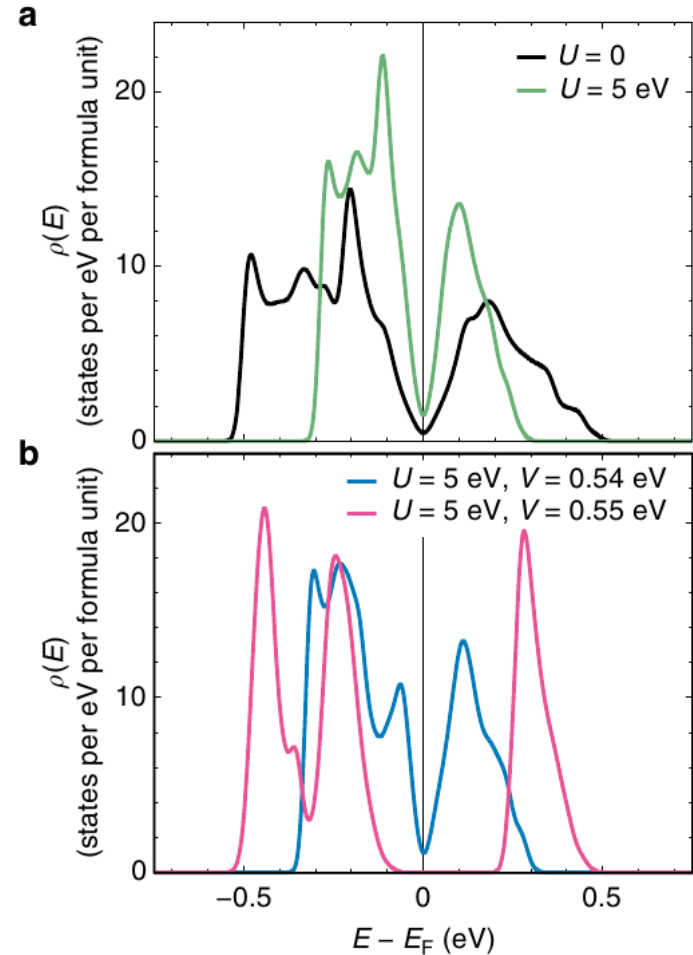
Dynamical cluster approximation on the DFT-derived extended Hubbard model

- U is insufficient to drive the system insulator.

Charge-ordering instability?

- only for $V > 2t$ the system charge orders (beyond the regime for Ga-doped Herbertsmithite)

→ the system remains metallic !

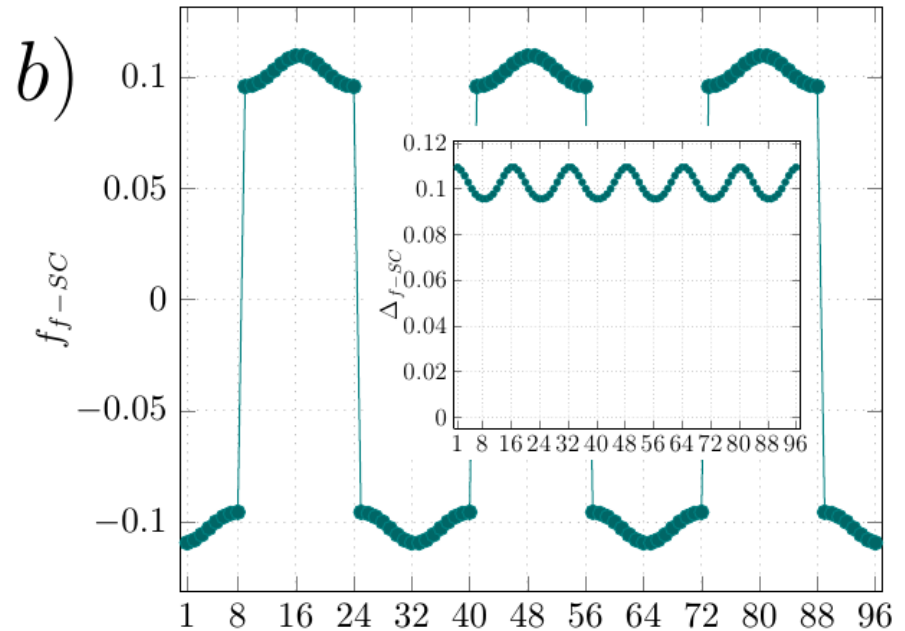
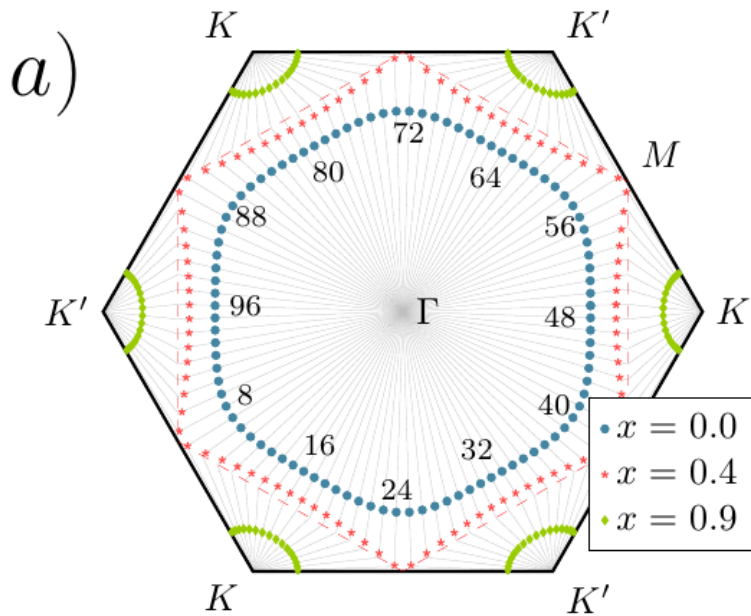


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If Ga substitution is incomplete \rightarrow may expect sizable coupling to spin fluctuations

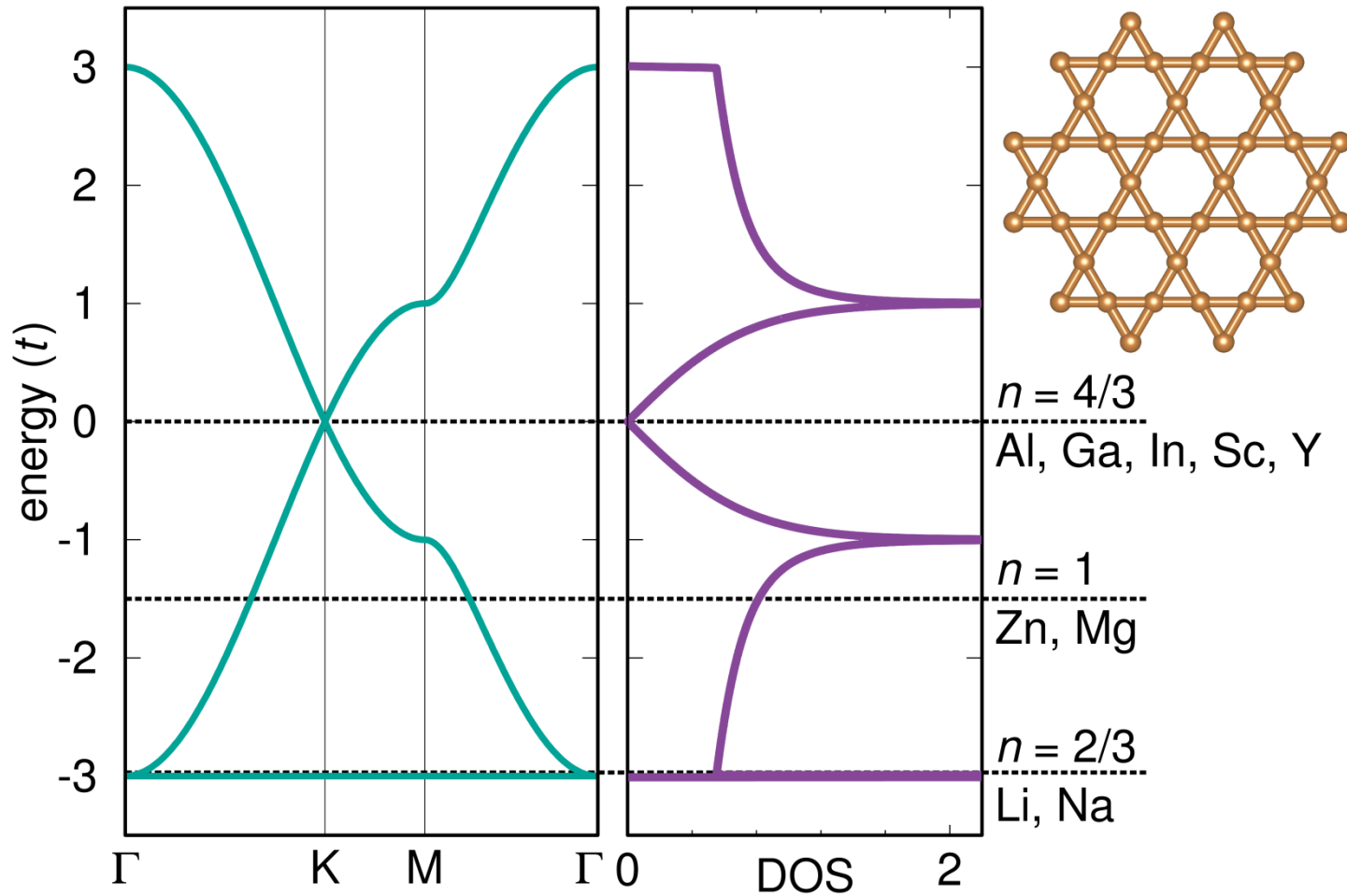


Multisublattice fRG.

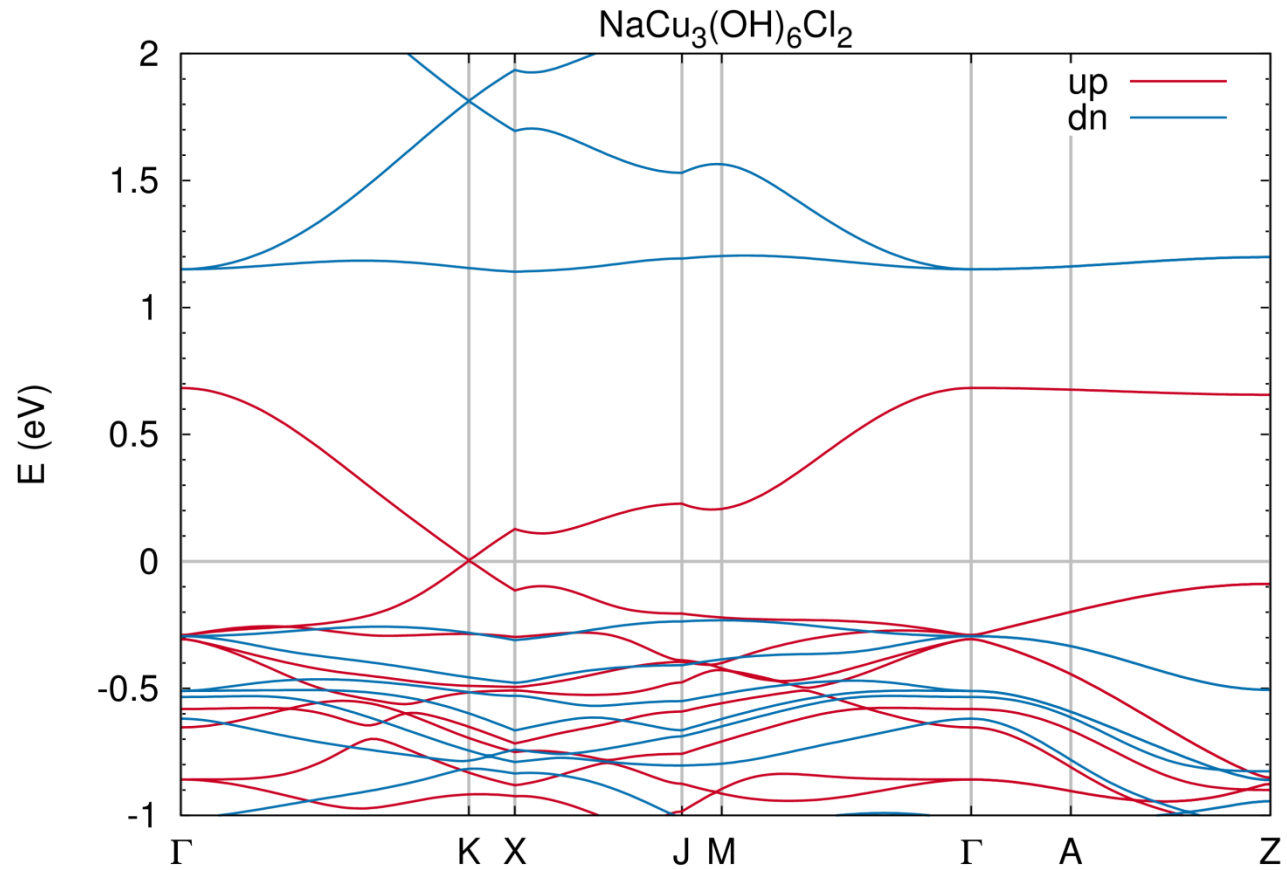
Around $n=4/3 \rightarrow$ nodeless f-wave superconductivity

Estimate $T_c=30\text{K}-60\text{K}$

Other fillings than 3/4



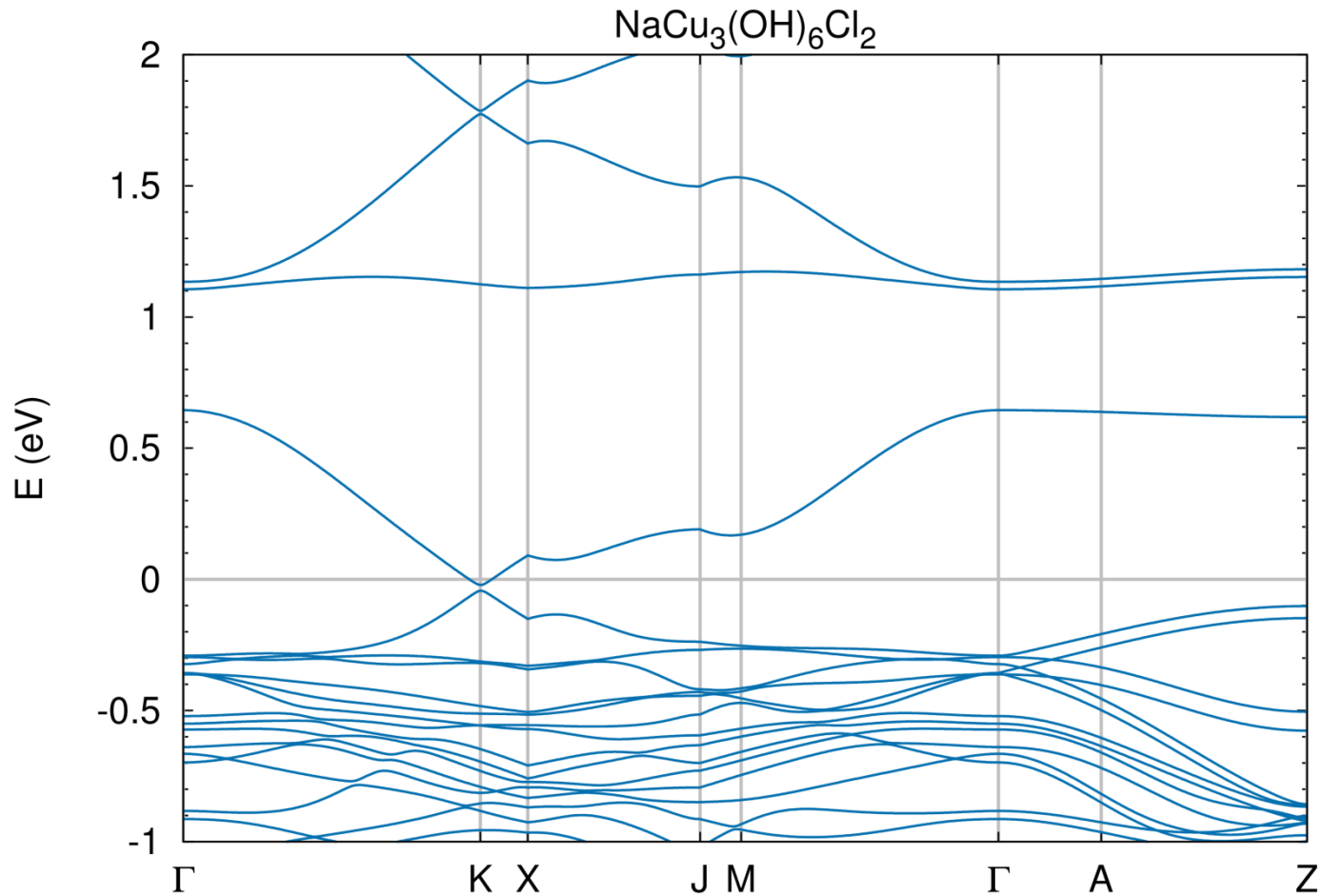
2 electrons/ 3 sites



Ferromagnetic ground state

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Spin-orbit effects?

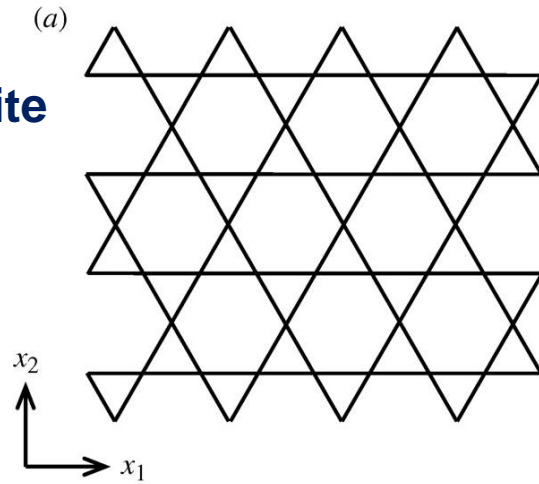


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Opening of a gap at
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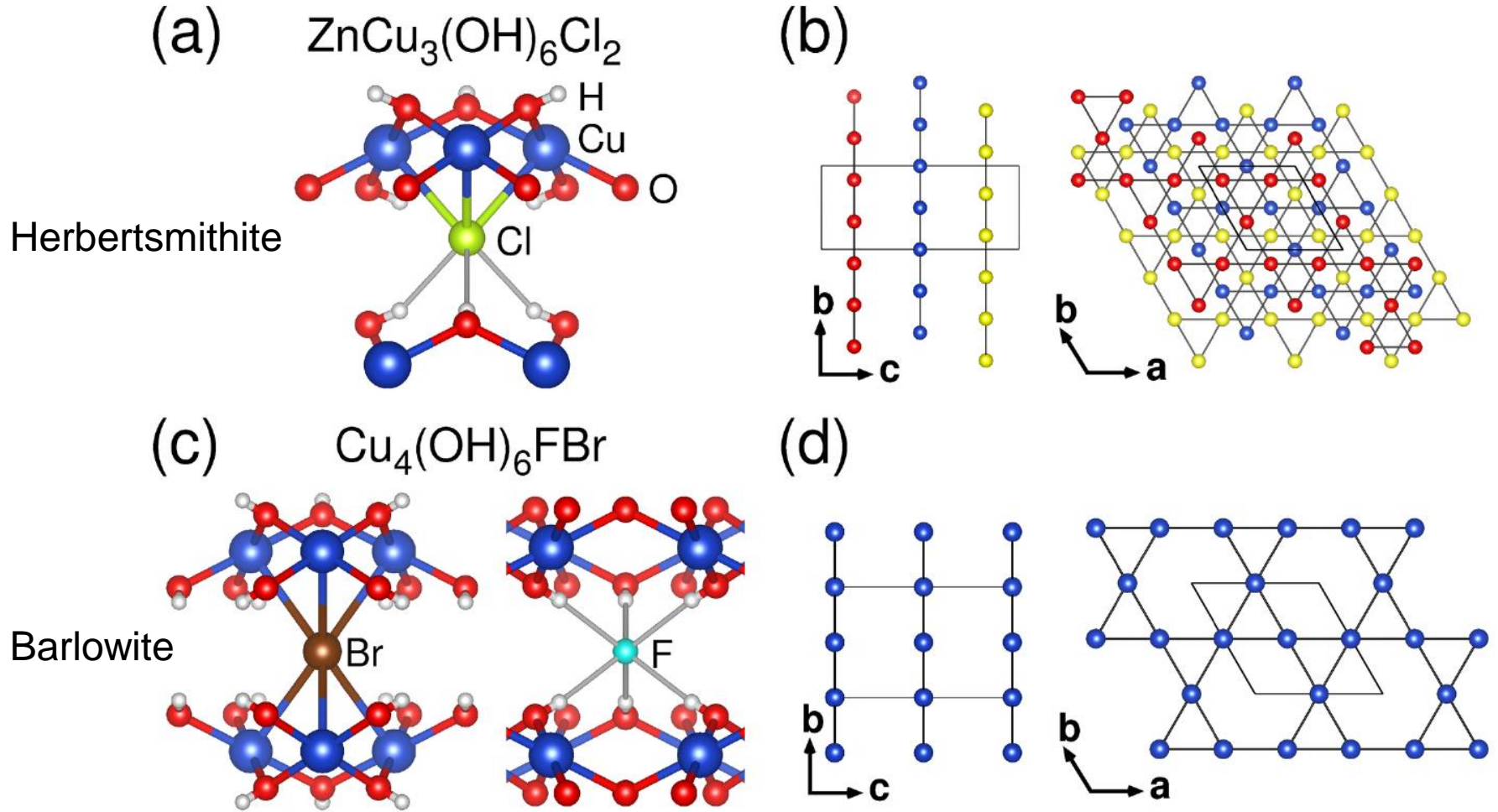
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Barlowite



kagome

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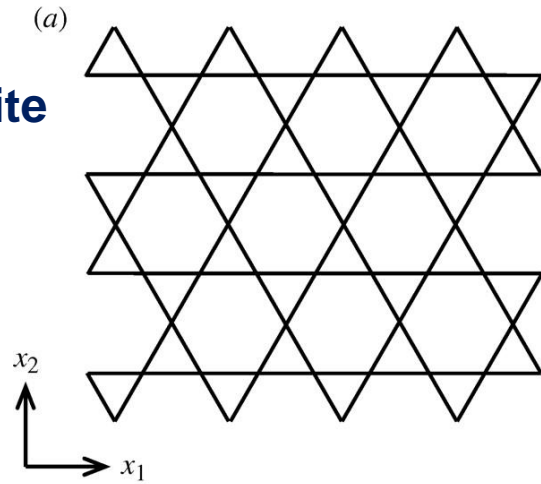
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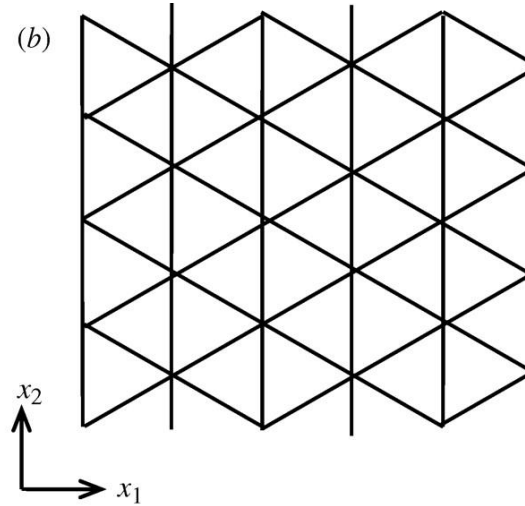
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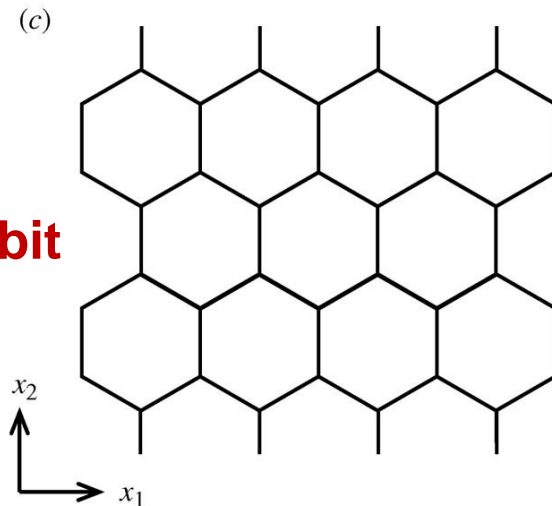


triangular

organic
charge
transfer salts

Correlations + spin-orbit

4d Ru, Rh
5d Ir



honeycomb

Summary

density functional theory + many-body methods (DMFT,DCA)
powerful method to describe correlated materials from first principles

- ***Correlated materials:***

- **Fe-based superconductors**

- * orbital selective renormalization of bands in agreement with (ARPES, de Haas van Alphen, optical conductivity, specific heat)
 - * spectral properties (Hund \leftrightarrow Mott physics)

- ***Predict new correlated materials with unconventional superconducting properties***

- ***Ga-doped Herbertsmithite: Correlated Dirac metal***

- f-wave superconductor?***

- ***Effects of doping, magnetism, spin-orbit coupling, lattice geometry***

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!