

# Relativistic corrections to strongly correlated electron systems

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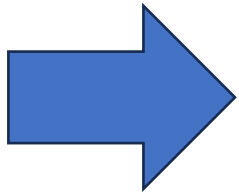
# Outline

1. Introduction
2. Multipoles in strongly correlated electron systems
3. Spherical representation of Coulomb-Breit interaction:  
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# Relativistic correction in condensed matter

## Conventional relativistic correction: Spin-orbit coupling

- Materials with large-atomic number elements:  
ex. 5d electrons, f electrons: J-multiplet
- Transition metals including 3d series, organic conductors:  
ex. Dzyaloshinskii-Moriya interaction  
⇒ small energy scale but can be relevant



*For elements with large atomic number, higher-order relativistic corrections can be relevant for low-energy behaviors?*

## Three relativistic corrections

A. Physical quantities (ex. electron chirality)

SH, M-T Suzuki, H Ikeda,  
Phys. Rev. Lett. (2023)

B. One-body Hamiltonians ( $1/c^3$  corrections)

SH, T. Miki, M-T Suzuki, H Ikeda,  
in preparation



C. Interactions (Breit interaction)

SH, arXiv (2023)

*Today's focus*

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*strongly correlated electron systems*

# Multipole in SCES

- ☞ Classification scheme for nearly-localized d- and f-electron's degrees of freedom.
- ☞ Candidate order parameter for exotic ordered states.
- ☞ Cluster multipoles, bond orders, multipole expansion in  $\mathbf{k}$ -space, ...

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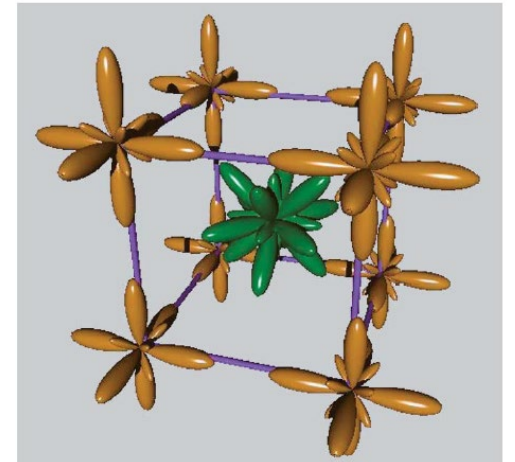
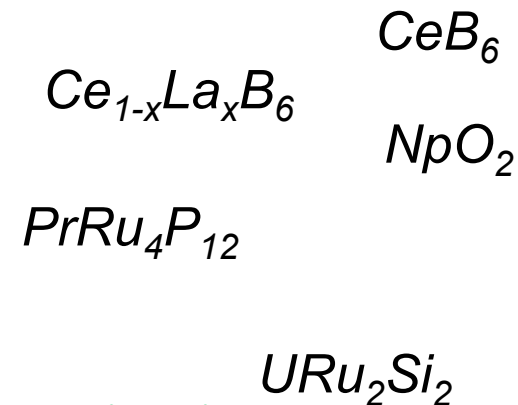
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# Electronic degrees of freedom

## Spin degrees of freedom

$$|\sigma\rangle \quad (\sigma = \uparrow, \downarrow) \quad s = \frac{1}{2}$$

Operators  $n = \sum_{\sigma} |\sigma\rangle\langle\sigma|$ ,  $s = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\sigma\sigma'} |\sigma\rangle\sigma_{\sigma\sigma'}\langle\sigma'|$

*Charge (TR+)*      *Spin (TR-)*

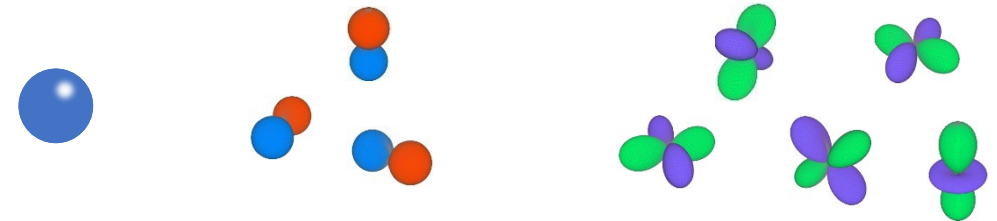
(in terms of multipole)

$$S = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} = 0 + 1 \quad \text{(monopole + dipole)}$$

“rank”

## Orbital degrees of freedom (ex. p electron)

$$|m\rangle \quad (m = 0, \pm 1) \quad \ell = 1$$



Figs from **H Kusunose & Y Kuramoto, KOTAI BUTSURI (2006)**

Classification of operators ( $|m\rangle\langle m'|$ )  $L = 1 \times 1 = 0 + 1 + 2$  (monopole + dipole + quadrupole)

*Charge (TR+), Magnetic orbital (TR-), Electric orbital (TR+)*

Even/Odd of rank corresponds to Even/Odd of time-reversal.

# Spin-orbit coupled case

☞ Classification of  $|m\sigma\rangle\langle m'\sigma'| \sim c_{m\sigma}^\dagger c_{m'\sigma'}$  with L-S coupled basis ( $T_{LS}^{JM}$ )  
 (Spatial inversion is always even for a fixed  $\ell$ )

**Example 1:**  $L = 1$  (TR=odd) and  $S = 1$  (TR=odd)

$$J = 1 \times 1 = 0_+ + 1_+ + 2_+$$

*Electric toroidal (ET) dipole* (Odd-rank, TR=even)

**Example 2:**  $L = 2$  (TR=even) and  $S = 1$  (TR=odd)

$$J = 2 \times 1 = 1_- + 2_- + 3_-$$

*Magnetic toroidal (MT) quadrupole* (Even-rank, TR=odd)

Multipole operator 
$$X^\gamma(p_\eta) = \sum_{mm'\sigma\sigma'} c_{m\sigma}^\dagger \mathcal{O}_{m\sigma, m'\sigma'}^\gamma(p_\eta) c_{m'\sigma'}$$

Rank  $p = 2q$  or  $2q + 1$

SI: Spatial Inversion / TR: Time-reversal

Multipole	Type	SI/TR
Electric Toroidal	$(2q + 1)_d$	+/+
Magnetic Toroidal	$(2q)_d$	+/-
Electric	$(2q)_{a,b,c}$	+/+
Magnetic	$(2q + 1)_{a,b,c}$	+/-

Examples of dipoles:

M dipole:  $\mathbf{L}, \mathbf{S}$

ET dipole:  $\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{L} \times \mathbf{S}$

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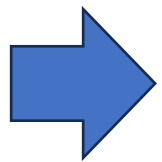
# Relativistic correction to SCES: Motivation

*Exotic behaviors in uranium-based materials:*

- 👉 Hidden order (URu<sub>2</sub>Si<sub>2</sub>)
- 👉 Spin-triplet superconductor candidates (UBe<sub>13</sub>, UPt<sub>3</sub>, UGe<sub>2</sub>, URhGe, UCoGe, UTe<sub>2</sub>)

*Why uranium (atomic number = 92) material is so special?*

- 👉 Large atomic number → Relevance of **relativistic corrections**
- 👉 Localized f orbital → Relevance of **Coulomb interactions**



Possible relevance of **relativistic correction to Coulomb interaction**

Most general  
Hamiltonian  
(Coulomb gauge)

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_0 + \frac{1}{2} \int d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}' \frac{\rho(\mathbf{r})\rho(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} + \sum_{\mathbf{k}\alpha} \hbar\omega_{\mathbf{k}} a_{\mathbf{k}\alpha}^\dagger a_{\mathbf{k}\alpha} - \frac{1}{c} \int d\mathbf{r} \mathbf{j}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{r})$$

# Coulomb-Breit interaction

Tracing out photons and keep leading-order term in  $1/c$  expansion

T Itoh, Rev. Mod. Phys. (1965)

$$\mathcal{H}_C = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{\rho_1 \rho_2}{r} - \frac{\pi \lambda^2}{2} \int \delta(\mathbf{r}) \rho_1 \rho_2 - \int \frac{\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{P}_1 \rho_2}{r^3} \quad (\text{Coulomb}) \quad \left( \lambda = \frac{\hbar}{mc} : \text{reduced Compton length} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}_B = & -\frac{1}{4c^2} \int \frac{1}{r} \left[ \mathbf{j}_1 \cdot \mathbf{j}_2 + \frac{(\mathbf{j}_1 \cdot \mathbf{r})(\mathbf{j}_2 \cdot \mathbf{r})}{r^2} \right] \quad (\text{Breit}) \\ & - \frac{1}{c} \int \frac{(\mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{M}_1) \cdot \mathbf{j}_2}{r^3} \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \int \left[ -\frac{8\pi}{3} \delta(\mathbf{r}) \mathbf{M}_1 \cdot \mathbf{M}_2 \right. \\ & \left. + \left( \frac{\mathbf{M}_1 \cdot \mathbf{M}_2}{r^3} - \frac{3(\mathbf{M}_1 \cdot \mathbf{r})(\mathbf{M}_2 \cdot \mathbf{r})}{r^5} \right)' \right] \end{aligned}$$

Cf. in quantum chemistry / atomic physics context

Ex.) E Eliav et al., Nucl. Phys. A (2015)

T Naito, R Akashi, H Liang, S Tsuneyuki, J. Phys. B (2020)

$$[\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2, A_1 = A(\mathbf{r}_1)]$$

SCES: Slater-Condon parameters ( $F_0, F_2, \dots$ ) describe  $U_{ijkl}$  effectively for conventional Coulomb part.  
How about for relativistic corrections?

# Stratonovich-Hubbard transformation

Effective Lagrangian ( $\alpha = 1,2$ : transverse photons,  $\alpha = 0$ : “scalar photon”)

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \sum_{\alpha=0}^2 \hbar \omega_{\mathbf{k}} a_{\mathbf{k}\alpha}^* a_{\mathbf{k}\alpha} - \sqrt{\frac{2\pi\hbar}{cV}} \int d\mathbf{r} \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \sum_{\alpha=0}^2 \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}} j_{\alpha}(\mathbf{r}; \hat{\mathbf{k}}) (e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} a_{\mathbf{k}\alpha} + \text{c.c.})$$

$$j_0(\mathbf{r}; \hat{\mathbf{k}}) = i\rho(\mathbf{r})$$

$$j_{1,2}(\mathbf{r}; \hat{\mathbf{k}}) = \mathbf{j}(\mathbf{r}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{1,2}(\hat{\mathbf{k}})$$

*Spherical wave expansion of photons*

\*Berestetskii-Lifshitz-Pitaevski, textbook

\*Igi-Kawai, textbook (Japanese)

$$a_{JM}^{(\lambda)}(k) = \sqrt{\frac{V}{(2\pi)^3}} k \sum_{\alpha=1}^2 \int d\hat{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{Y}_{JM}^{(\lambda)*}(\hat{\mathbf{k}}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\alpha}(\hat{\mathbf{k}}) a_{\mathbf{k}\alpha}$$

( $\lambda = 0,1$ )

$$a_{JM}^{(-1)}(k) = \sqrt{\frac{V}{(2\pi)^3}} k \int d\hat{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{Y}_{JM}^{(-1)*}(\hat{\mathbf{k}}) a_{\mathbf{k}0}$$

(Vector spherical harmonics  $\mathbf{Y}_{JM}^{(1,0,-1)}$ )

$\lambda = 1$ : electric photon: parity  $(-1)^J$   
 $\lambda = 0$ : magnetic photon : parity  $(-1)^{J+1}$   
 $\lambda = -1$ : scalar photon: parity  $(-1)^J$

# Multipole representation

Angular momentum tensor (for electrons with fixed  $n, l$ )

$$T_{LS}^{JM} = \sum_{mm'} \sum_{\sigma\sigma'} (O_{LS}^{JM})_{m\sigma, m'\sigma'} c_{m\sigma}^\dagger c_{m'\sigma'}$$

Interaction in spherical basis

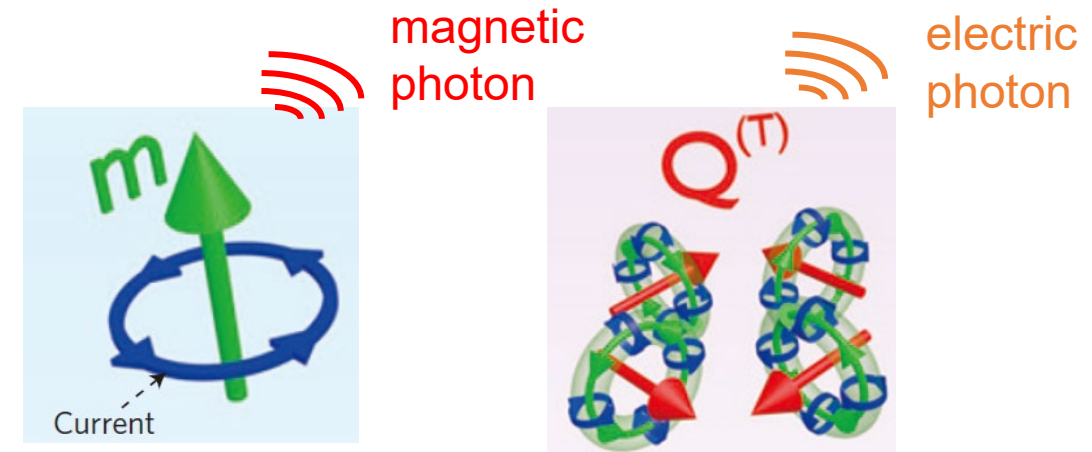
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{int}} = - \sum_{\lambda=-1}^1 \sum_{J=0}^{\infty} \sum_{M=-J}^J \sum_{LS} \int_0^{\infty} dk \sqrt{\hbar ck} \\ \times \left[ g_{JLS}^{(\lambda)}(k) a_{JM}^{(\lambda)}(k) T_{LS}^{JM} + s_{\lambda}(\text{c.c.}) \right]$$

$J=\text{even}; S\text{I}=+; \text{TR}=+$ : Electric

$J=\text{odd}; S\text{I}=+; \text{TR}=-$ : Magnetic

$J=\text{odd}; S\text{I}=+; \text{TR}=+$ : Electric Toroidal

$J=\text{even}; S\text{I}=+; \text{TR}=-$ : Magnetic Toroidal



[Figs from N Papasimakis et al., Nat. Mater. (2016)]

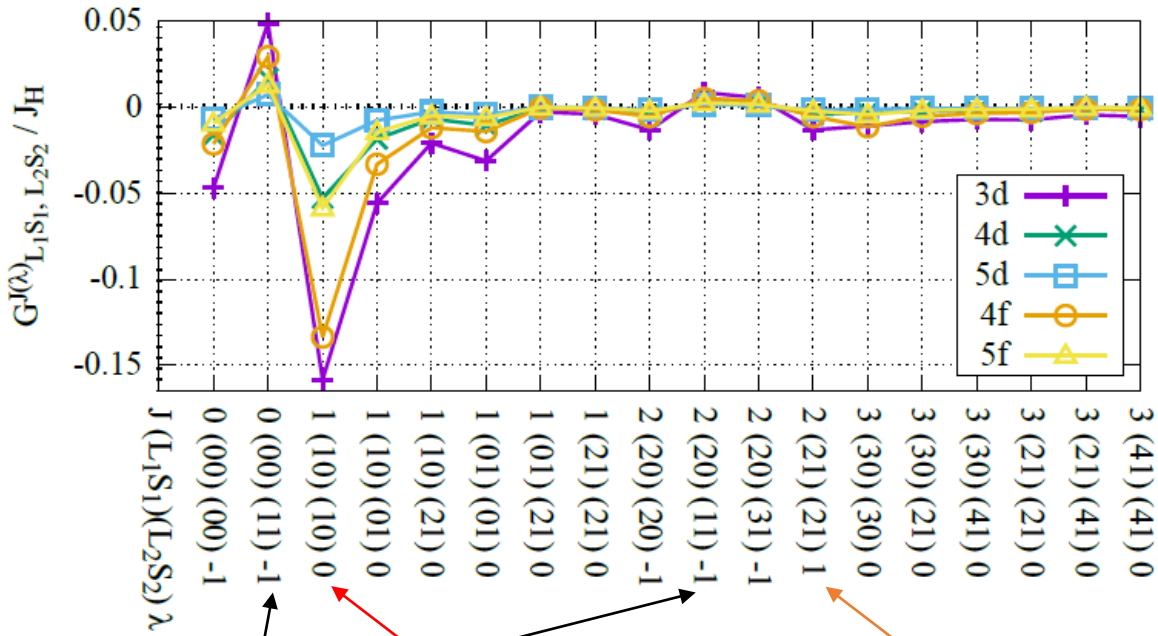
By parity, magnetic photons couple to magnetic multipoles, and electric photons couple to magnetic toroidal multipoles.

# Generalized Slater-Condon parameters

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff,int}} = \sum_{\lambda=-1}^1 \sum_{JM} \sum_{L_1 S_1 L_2 S_2} I_{L_1 S_1, L_2 S_2}^{J\lambda} T_{L_1 S_1}^{JM} T_{L_2 S_2}^{JM*}$$

Cf. No odd-rank multipoles in conventional Coulomb interaction even in solids (cRPA)

S Iimura, M Hirayama SH, PRB Lett (2021)



Elec. polarization in Coulomb

Mag. multipoles - Mag. photons

Mag. Toroidal multipoles - Elec. photons

(Elec. Toroidal multipoles appear in higher-order Coulomb)

## Rough estimation:

Order of Breit interaction

$$H_B \sim (Z\alpha)^2 H_C$$

Hund's coupling for uranium:

$$J_H \sim 0.5 \text{ eV}$$

Effective Nuclear charge for *f* electrons:  $Z \sim 30$

$$\therefore H_B \sim 0.1 \times J_H (Z\alpha)^2 \sim 100 \text{ K}$$

Cf. Heavy-electron state: effective band width becomes  $10^2$ - $10^3$  times smaller than usual metal.

# Summary

SH, arXiv (2023)

## *Relativistic corrections to interactions in condensed matter*

- ➡ Possible relevance of Coulomb-Breit interactions in SCES.
- ➡ Atomic representation, i.e. generalized Slater-Condon parameters, is derived, which can be combined with Hubbard model, Anderson lattice, LDA+ $U$ , LDA+DMFT, etc.
- ➡ Foundation for further exploring low-energy physics (ex. Amperean pairing).