

Spin-dependent Masses in High Magnetic Field: Minimal Model for $CeCoIn_5$

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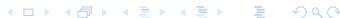
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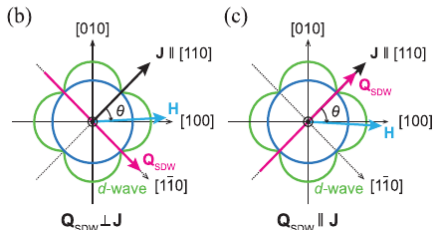
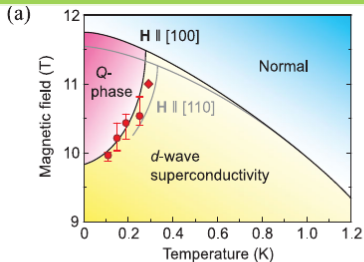
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Motivation

Superconductivity



D.-Y. Kim, *et al.*, Phys. Rev. X **6**, 041059 (2016).

Properties

- d-wave superconductivity (~ 2 GPa);
- Q-phase for “small” magnetic field;
- spin-split of effective mass for “large” magnetic field;

Spin-split masses

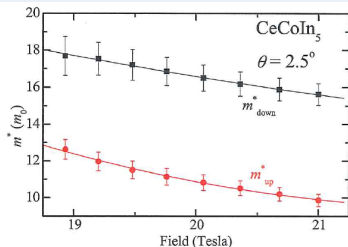


Figure 2.26: Effective masses of both spin components of the α_1 -orbit in CeCoIn₅ as a function of field applied at 2.5° from [001] to [100] direction. Lines are guide for the eye.

Ilya Sheikin, *Quantum oscillations in f-electron compounds*, École Doctorale de Physique, Université Joseph Fourier, Grenoble (2011).

Main points

1 Introduction

- Motivation

2 Methods

- Band calculations
- Mean-field
- Hamiltonian

3 Results

- Conclusions

Slater-Koster

Characteristics of approach

- treatment of localized electrons
- electronic correlations either omitted or included with double-counting
- complexity of the model
- band structure and density of states as output

5 orbital model

$$|p_{a\uparrow}\rangle = -|l = 1, s = \uparrow\rangle,$$

$$|p_{a\downarrow}\rangle = |l = -1, s = \downarrow\rangle,$$

$$|p_{b\uparrow}\rangle = -|l = -1, s = \uparrow\rangle,$$

$$|p_{b\downarrow}\rangle = |l = 1, s = \downarrow\rangle,$$

$$|f_{a\uparrow}\rangle = |j = 5/2, j^z = -5/2\rangle,$$

$$|f_{a\downarrow}\rangle = |j = 5/2, j^z = 5/2\rangle,$$

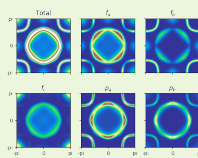
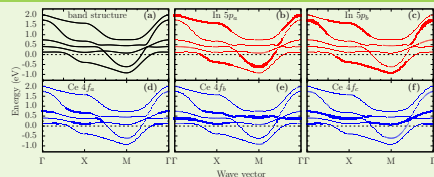
$$|f_{b\uparrow}\rangle = |j = 5/2, j^z = -1/2\rangle,$$

$$|f_{b\downarrow}\rangle = |j = 5/2, j^z = 1/2\rangle,$$

$$|f_{c\uparrow}\rangle = |j = 5/2, j^z = 3/2\rangle,$$

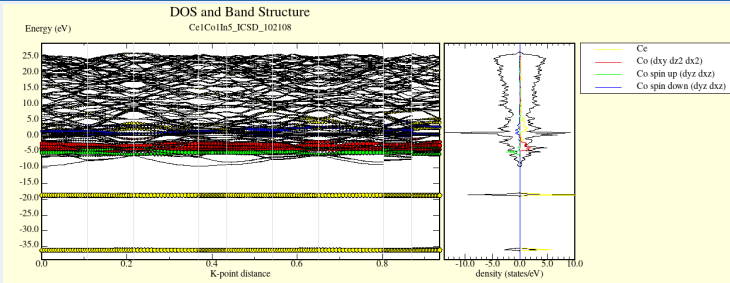
$$|f_{c\downarrow}\rangle = |j = 5/2, j^z = -3/2\rangle.$$

Slater-Koster Methods

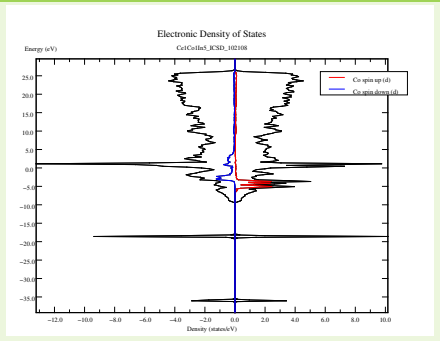


TOP: Slater-Koster band structure; density of $1.8 \frac{el.}{f.u.}$; $T = 0.01 \frac{eV}{kB}$.

LEFT: Fermi surface.



Density of States



Remarks on physics for the toy model

- We used $U = 7$ eV
- Two partially filled bands $\text{Co}\downarrow$
- Two filled bands $\text{Co}\uparrow$
- Four Ce bands ~ -1.5 eV below Fermi surface.
- Bandwidth of partially filled $\text{Co}\downarrow$ is ~ 1 eV.
- We can use this data as the starting values to a many-parameter toy model.

Gutzwiller Approximation

Treatment of correlations

$$|\Psi\rangle \equiv \mathcal{C}^G |\Psi_0\rangle,$$

$$\mathcal{C}^G = \prod_i (1 - (1 - g) \hat{n}_{i\uparrow} \hat{n}_{i\downarrow}) |\Psi_0\rangle,$$

$$\text{general } \mathcal{C}^G = \prod_i \sum_{\Gamma} \lambda_{i\Gamma} |\Gamma\rangle \langle \Gamma|,$$

where $|\Psi_0\rangle$ is uncorrelated state, g a variational parameter, \hat{n}_i a particle number operator, $\{\Gamma\}$ set of local states, and $\lambda_{i\Gamma}$ variational parameters.

Basic scheme

We start with second quantization Hamiltonian \mathcal{H}

- ↪ obtain effective Hamiltonian
- ↪ diagonalize effective Hamiltonian
- ↪ optimize variational parameters

Wide range of applications

- unconventional superconductivity
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- ? spin-split masses
this work

Periodic Anderson Model

Working Hamiltonian 1+1 model

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}} = \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle \sigma} t \hat{c}_{i\sigma}^\dagger \hat{c}_{j\sigma} + \sum_{\langle\langle i,j \rangle\rangle \sigma} t' \hat{c}_{i\sigma}^\dagger \hat{c}_{j\sigma} - \sum_{i\sigma} \sigma h \hat{n}_{i\sigma} \\ + \sum_{i\sigma} (\epsilon_f - \sigma h) \hat{n}_{i\sigma}^f + U \sum_i \hat{n}_{i\uparrow}^f \hat{n}_{i\downarrow}^f + \sum_{i\sigma} V (\hat{c}_{i\sigma}^\dagger \hat{f}_{i\sigma} + h.c.),$$

$\hat{c}_{i\sigma}^\dagger \hat{c}_{i\sigma} \hat{f}_{i\sigma}^\dagger \hat{f}_{i\sigma}$ - creators and annihilators of conducting and f electrons i.o.; $\epsilon_f < 0$. t, t' - hoppings; V - c - f hybridization; U - onsite f -electron repulsion

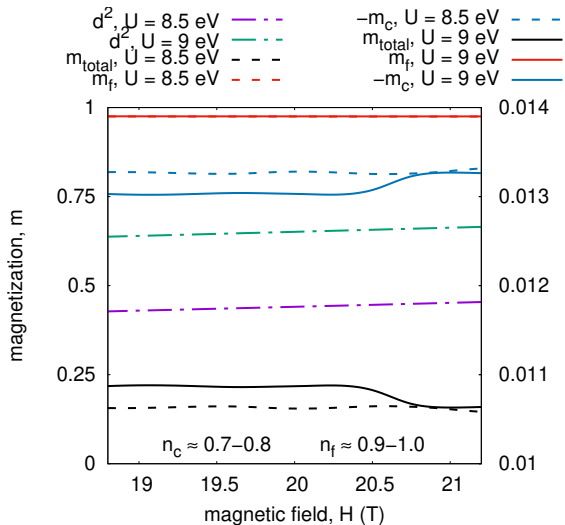
$$E_G \equiv \frac{\langle \Psi | \hat{\mathcal{H}} | \Psi \rangle}{\langle \Psi | \Psi \rangle} = \frac{\langle \Psi_0 | c^G \hat{\mathcal{H}} c^G | \Psi_0 \rangle}{\langle \Psi_0 | c^G c^G | \Psi_0 \rangle}$$

Effective Hamiltonian

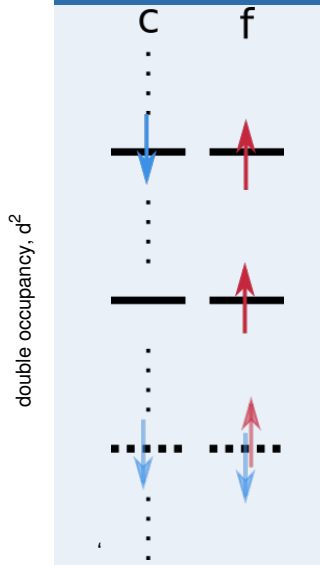
$$\hat{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{eff}} \equiv \sum_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{c}_{\mathbf{k}\sigma}^\dagger & \hat{f}_{\mathbf{k}\sigma}^\dagger \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}}^c - \sigma h - \mu & \sqrt{q_\sigma} V \\ \sqrt{q_\sigma} V & \epsilon_f - \sigma(h + \lambda_m^f) - \lambda_n^f - \mu \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{c}_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} \\ \hat{f}_{\mathbf{k}\sigma} \end{pmatrix} \\ + \Lambda(Ud^2 + \lambda_n^f n_f + \lambda_m^f m_f),$$

$$\sqrt{q_\sigma} \equiv \frac{\sqrt{2d^2} \sqrt{n+\sigma m - 2d^2} + \sqrt{2-2n+2d^2} \sqrt{n-\sigma m - 2d^2}}{\sqrt{2-n-\sigma m} \sqrt{n+\sigma m}} : \text{band narrowing factors}$$

Mean fields



Scheme



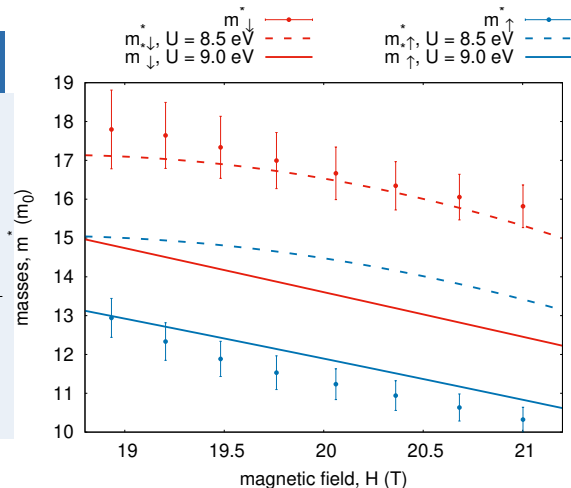
Spin-split masses

Definition of effective mass
in model with correlator

$$m_{\sigma}^* \equiv \frac{\langle \Psi_0 | \hat{c}_{i\sigma}^{\dagger} \hat{f}_{i\sigma} | \Psi_0 \rangle}{\langle \Psi | \hat{c}_{i\sigma}^{\dagger} \hat{f}_{i\sigma} | \Psi \rangle}$$

$$\equiv \frac{\langle \Psi_0 | \hat{c}_{i\sigma}^{\dagger} \hat{f}_{i\sigma} | \Psi_0 \rangle}{\langle \Psi_0 | \mathcal{C}^G \hat{c}_{i\sigma}^{\dagger} \hat{f}_{i\sigma} \mathcal{C}^G | \Psi_0 \rangle}$$

by def. $\equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{q_{\sigma}}}$



Conclusion

1+1 orbital model provides us with qualitative behavior of spin-split masses in CeCoIn₅.

Conclusions

Physics of hydrogen planes

- on-site repulsion of f electrons, coupled with $c - f$ hybridization causes spin-split of effective masses
- Gutzwiller approximation gives proper qualitative behavior (smaller m^* 's with rising H), but not quantitatively.
- There is a need of calculations on larger model.
- Three different methods (DFT, S-K, and GA) provide us with consistent, complementary results.
- There is a need for computationally quick methods to treat specific physical phenomena.

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