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Outline

- SmB₆ and the rise of topology
- TKIs: a link with superfluid He-3
- Is SmB₆ topological?
- The Magnetic Connection.



Kondo insulators: History

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MAGNETIC AND SEMICONDUCTING PROPERTIES OF $\mathrm{SmB}_{6}^{\dagger}$

A. Menth and E. Buehler Bell Telephone Laboratories, Murray Hill, New Jersey

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T. H. Geballe Department of Applied Physics, Stanford University, Stanford, California, and Bell Telephone Laboratories, Murray Hill, New Jersey (Received 21 November 1968)



FIG. 1. Resistance of SmB_6 as a function of temperature. Closed circles: resistance versus T; open circles: resistance versus $10^3/T$.

Simplest Kondo Lattice



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$$\mathcal{H} = (|\mathbf{k}\sigma\rangle V_{\sigma\alpha}(\mathbf{k})\langle\alpha| + \mathrm{H.c})$$



"In SmB6 and high-pressure SmS a very small gap separates occupied from unoccupied states, this in our view being due to hybridization of 4f and 4d bands." Mott 1974 Strong coupling Kondo Lattice J>>t

$$H = J \sum_{\sigma} \vec{\sigma}(j) \cdot \vec{S}_j - t \sum_{(i,j)} (c_{i\sigma}^{\dagger} c_{j\sigma} + \text{H.c})$$



 $n_e = n_{
m spins}$ Kondo insulator



Electron doping Mobile "Heavy Electrons"



Hole doping: mobile heavy holes $n_e = n_{
m spins} - \delta$



 $2\left(\frac{v_{\rm FS}}{(2\pi)^D}\right) = 2 - \delta = n_{\rm spins} + n_e$

FS sum rule counts spins as charged qp.

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Persistent conductivity Plateau

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The rise of Topology.

"Gauss-Bonnet Theorem" Gauss (unpublished), Bonnet (1848)

g=genus





von Klitzing, Dorda & Pepper (1980)

The rise of Topology.



Differential Geometry of the wavefunction

Topological order





Qi and Zhang, Rev. Mod Phys (2010).

1D Topological Insulator





FIG. 2. Energy spectrum for a one-dimensional lattice with eight atoms.

Tamm 1932, Shockley, Phys Rev, 56, 317 (1939): 1D TI Open BCs- broken translation symmetry

odd/even states mix to form edge states.



With open BCs- parity broken -Odd/ even states mix - avoided crossing, so form edge states.

Conventional band insulator: adiabatic continuation of the vacuum.



Topological insulator : adiabatically disconnected from the vacuum.



Band Crossing of odd and even parity states Yields a Z₂ Topological Insulator (Fu, Kane, Mele, 2007)



Topological Texture of Berry Connection

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FIG. 27 ARPES data for Bi_2Se_3 thin films of thickness (a) 1QL (b) 2QL (c) 3QL (d) 5QL (e) 6QL, measured at room temperature (QL stands for quintuple layer). From Zhang *et al.*, 2009.



•2D HgTe/ CdTe Quantum Wells (Konig et al, 07/8)

•3D Bi_2Se_3 , Bi_2Te_3 , Sb_2Te_3

FIG. 25 ARPES data for the dispersion of the surface states of Bi_2Se_3 , along directions (a) $\overline{\Gamma} - \overline{M}$ and (b) $\overline{\Gamma} - \overline{K}$ in the surface Brillioun zone. Spin-resolved ARPES data is shown along $\overline{\Gamma} - \overline{M}$ for a fixed energy in (d), from which the spin polarization in momentum space (c) can be extracted. From Xia *et al.*, 2009 and Hsieh *et al.*, 2009.

(Zhang et al, Xia et al, Chen et al, Hsieh et al (09))

Are there strongly correlated counterparts? f electrons? Strongly interacting, infinite Spin orbit, odd parity.



Band Theory SmB₆: T. Takimoto, J. Phys. Soc. Jpn. 80, 123710 (2011).

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Victor Alexandrov, Maxim Dzero and Piers Coleman PRL (2013).

dHvA LaB₆

(parent compound without f-electrons: 4f⁰)

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de Haas-van Alphen effect and the Fermi surface of LaB_6^{\dagger}

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LoB6 0.6 HIGH FIELD dHVA · LOW FIELD dHvA -FOURIER SERIES FIT MAGNETORESISTANCE 0.5 (atomic units) 0.4 AREA 0.3 000000 0.2 0.1 [100] [10] 30 15 30 60 75 ioi 15 45 ANGLE (degree)

d-bands form around the X Points.



Features of the new model

Dzero et al, Annual Reviews of Condensed Matter Physics (2016), arXiv 1506.05635



Three crossings: THREE DIRAC CONES ON SURFACE.

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Hybridization of **f (P=+)** and **d** (P=-) vanishes at X point.

Strip Calculation.

$$H_{MF} = \sum_{\mathbf{k}} \left(\psi^{\dagger}_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow} \underline{h}(\mathbf{k}) \psi_{\mathbf{k}\uparrow} + \psi^{\dagger}_{\mathbf{k}\downarrow} \underline{h}^{*}(\mathbf{k}) \psi_{\mathbf{k}\downarrow} \right)$$
$$\underline{h}(\mathbf{k}) = \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_{\mathbf{k}} & \tilde{V}(s_{x} - is_{y}) \\ \tilde{V}(s_{x} + is_{y}) & \epsilon_{f\mathbf{k}} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Go to mathematica notebook



$$\mathcal{H}_{jl}(k_x) = \frac{1}{W} \sum_{k_y = \frac{2\pi n}{L}} \exp\left[ik_y(j-l)\right] \underline{h}(k_x, k_y) = a(k)\delta_{jl} + b\delta_{j,l-1} + b^T\delta_{j,l+1}$$

$$a(k_x) = \begin{pmatrix} -2tc_x - \mu & Vs_x \\ Vs_x & 2tc_x + \lambda \end{pmatrix}, \qquad b = \begin{pmatrix} -t & -V/2 \\ V/2 & t_f \end{pmatrix}$$

Detailed Calculation



F. Lu, et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 110:096401 (2013)



Is SmB6 a topological Kondo insulator?





Bulk Insulator

Surface Conductivity

Robustness/Sensitivity to potential/magnetic scattering.

Large Vertical Resistance indicates conductivity is from the surface.

Hall constant derives from the Surface.



SmB6 ARPES



Neupane et al. Nature Communications 4, (2013).

SmB6 ARPES



Neupane et al. Nature Communications 4, (2013).



Xu, PRB 88, 121102 (2013)

Spin Resolved ARPES

Nan Xu , X. Shi , P. Biswas , C. Matt , R. Dhaka , Y. Huang , N. Plumb , M. Radovic , J. Dil , E. Pomjakushina , K. Conder , A. Amato , Z. Salman , D. Paul , J. Mesot , Hong Ding , Ming Shi

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The magnetic connection.

I. Kondo BreakdownII. Pressure:AFMIII. Neutrons: ExcitonIV. Field: dHvA and Quantum Criticality.

I. Kondo Breakdown

Lower co-ordination at surface dramatically suppresses the Kondo temperature

V. Alexandrov, P. Coleman, O. Erten, Phys. Rev. Lett. 114:177202 2015.

Kondo Breakdown at surface.





ARPES:

Theory: v_s~ 30-50 meVA 10x too small!

 $\mathcal{A}_{\rm FS}/(2\pi)^2 = \Delta n_f$

Breakdown of Kondo effect at surface causes surface Dirac cones to dope, submerging the Dirac point and considerably enhancing the Fermi velocity.

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Kondo Breakdown at surface.



Surface Kondo physics? Magnetism, QCP even superconductivity.

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II. The effect of Pressure: AFM



S. Gabani et al, PRB 67, 172406 (2003)

SmB₆

70 kbar

80

II. The effect of Pressure: AFM



S. Gabani et al, PRB 67, 172406 (2003)



II. The effect of Pressure: AFM



III. Magnetic Fluctuations

Fuhrman et al, PRL 114, 036401 (2015)



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Fuhrman et al, PRL 114, 036401 (2015)







3D orbits!

Tan et al, Science (2015).





3D orbits! 6x Rise in N(0)*: Q Criticality? • 3D FS in a bulk insulator !

Tan et al, Science (2015).



• ω_c ≳ **V ?**

(Knolle & Cooper arXiv 1507.00885)

• Majorana FS? Are KI gapless?

(Baskaran arXiv 1507.03477; see also Miranda, PC, Tsvelik, Physica B, 186-188, 362, 1993)

• Phase separation of quantum critical bubbles?



Summary & Questions

• Rise of Topology leads to a new picture of Kondo Insulators, closer to He-3 than Silicon

•The robustness of the Surface States, Weak localization, surface conductance and ARPES and sARPES, each suggest this is a topological Kondo insulator.

•The high bulk resistivity makes this an excellent research material for topological studies.

- Strong magnetic connection: AFM under pressure, Neutron excitons.
- Surface Kondo Breakdown: is the surface different, and can it undergo phase transitions?
- Bulk is strangely different: breakdown, strange gapless insulator or inhomogenious quantum criticality?
- Is topology important for other strongly correlated systems metals, superconductors?