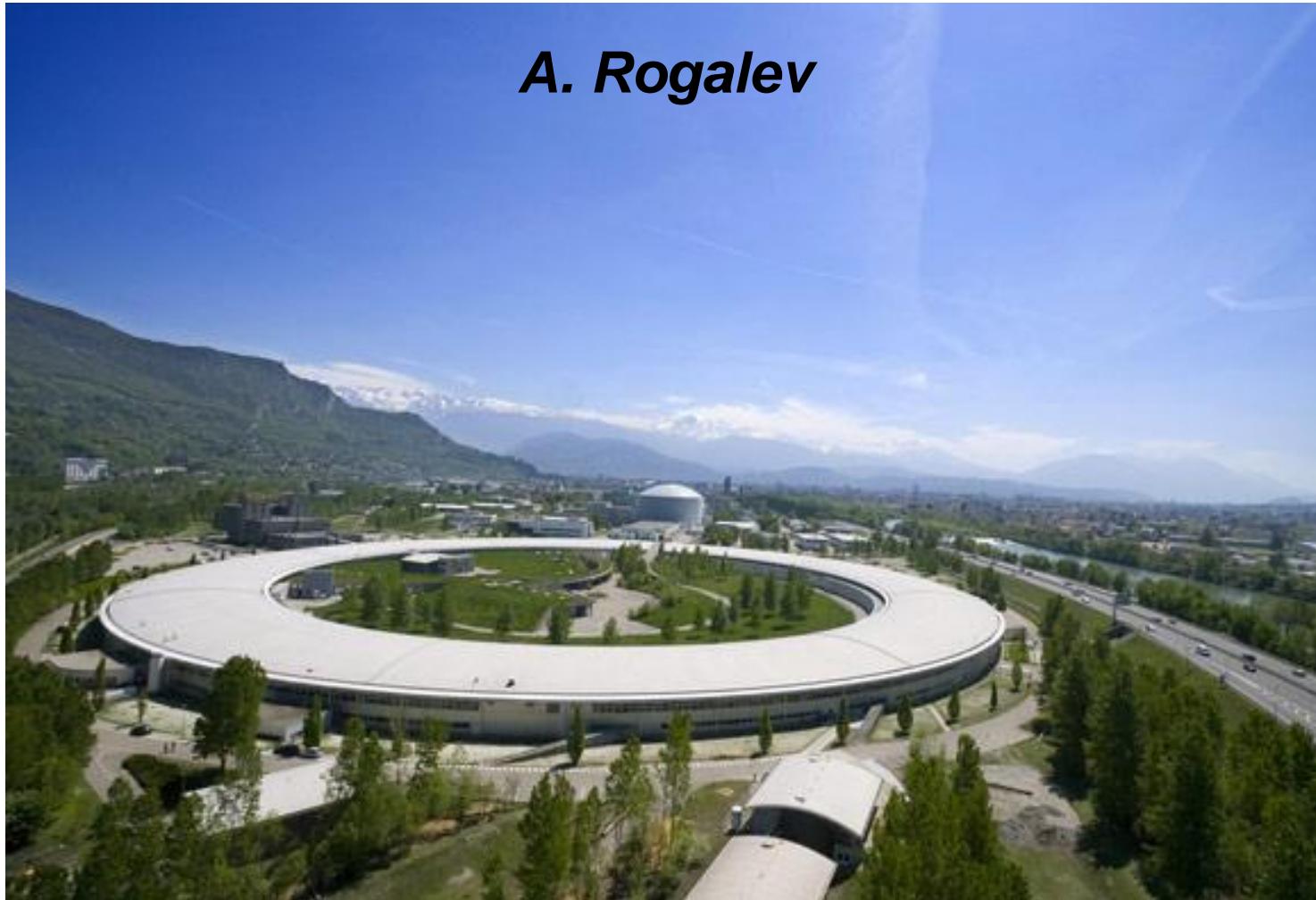




# Magnetism and X-ray dichroism

*A. Rogalev*



- **Introduction to X-ray Magnetic Circular Dichroism**
- **Experimental aspects: ID12 beamline at the ESRF**
- **Selected Results**
  - Single molecular magnets
  - Orbital magnetic moment in actinides
- **Conclusions**

**Nobel Prize in Physics 1994: B. N. Brockhouse and C. G. Shull**  
**Press release by the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences:**

**“Neutrons are small magnets..... (that) can be used to study the relative orientations of the small atomic magnets. .... *the X-ray method has been powerless and in this field of application neutron diffraction has since assumed an entirely dominant position.* It is hard to imagine modern research into magnetism without this aid.”**



Cliff Shull



1994  
Nobel Prize  
in Physics



Bert Brockhouse

**The Agilent Technologies Europhysics Prize for outstanding achievement  
in condensed-matter physics in 2000:  
P. Carra, G. Schütz and G. van der Laan**

**“for their pioneering work in establishing the field of magnetic X-ray  
dichroism. ...it is possible to obtain information about the material that  
cannot be obtained with traditional measurements.”**



**Nowadays:**

**X-ray magnetic circular dichroism (XMCD) is considered to be one of the most important discoveries in the field of magnetism research in the last two decades. It is hard to imagine modern research into magnetism without the aid of X-ray spectroscopy.**



“Magnetism,  
as you recall from  
physics class, is a  
powerful force that  
causes certain items  
to be attracted to  
refrigerators.”

- *Dave Barry*



# APPLICATIONS OF PERMANENT MAGNETS

Magnetic resonance Imaging



High-Efficiency  
Motors for Energy-  
Efficient Homes

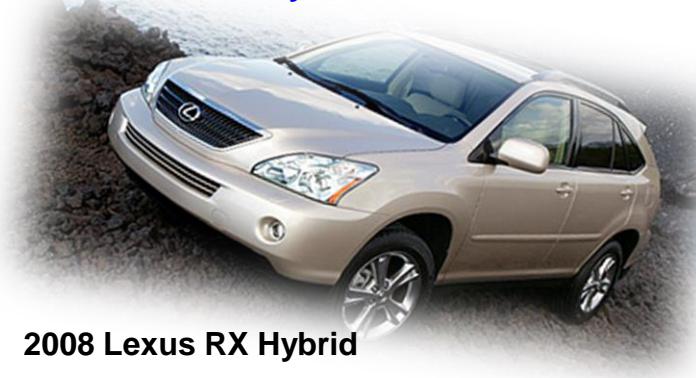


Computing and  
communication  
technologies



**Rare Earth permanent magnets help  
make technologies more effective and  
more efficient.**

Industry



2008 Lexus RX Hybrid

1118 magnets (inc. 2.9kg of Nd-Fe-B)

Clean  
Energy

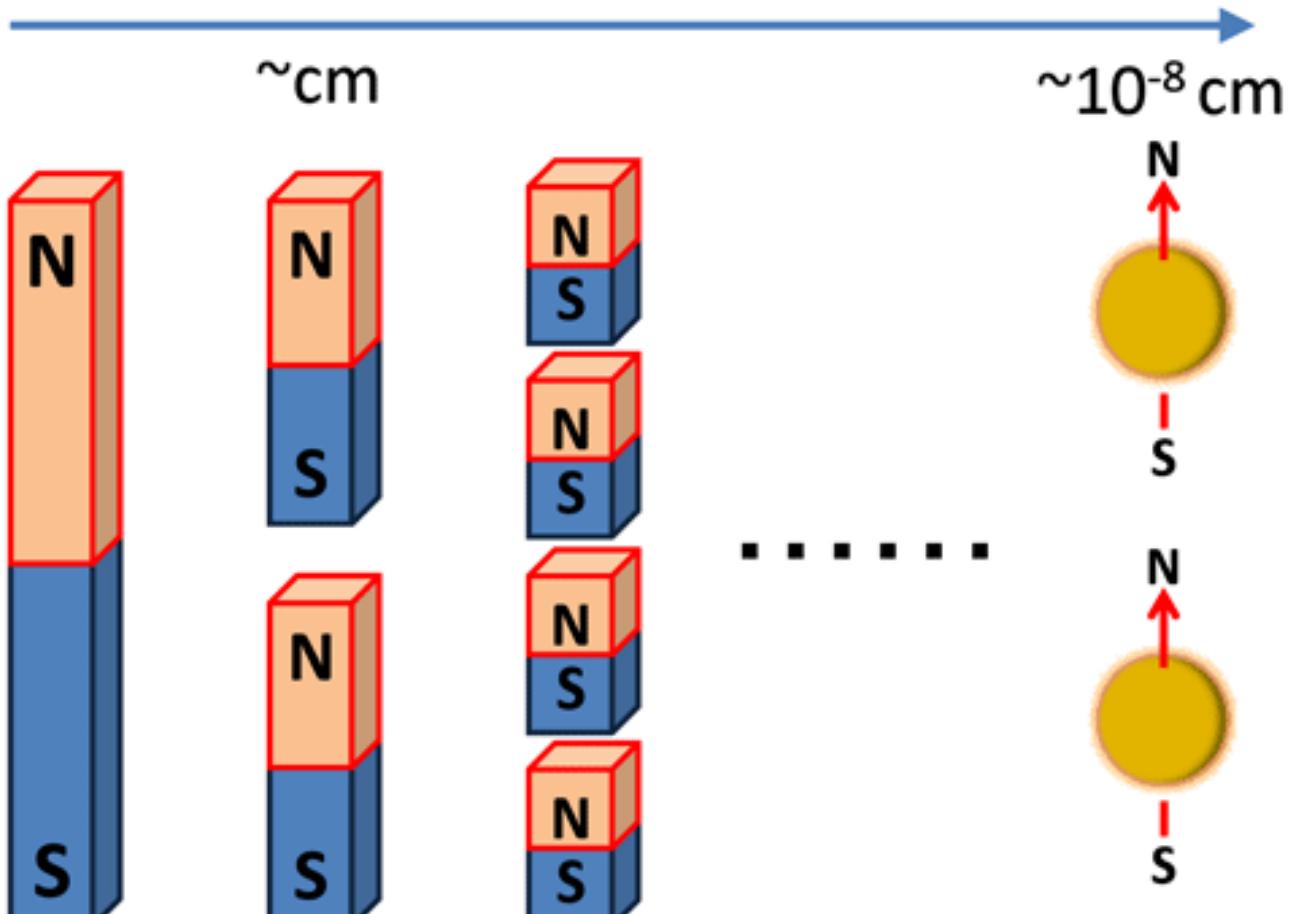


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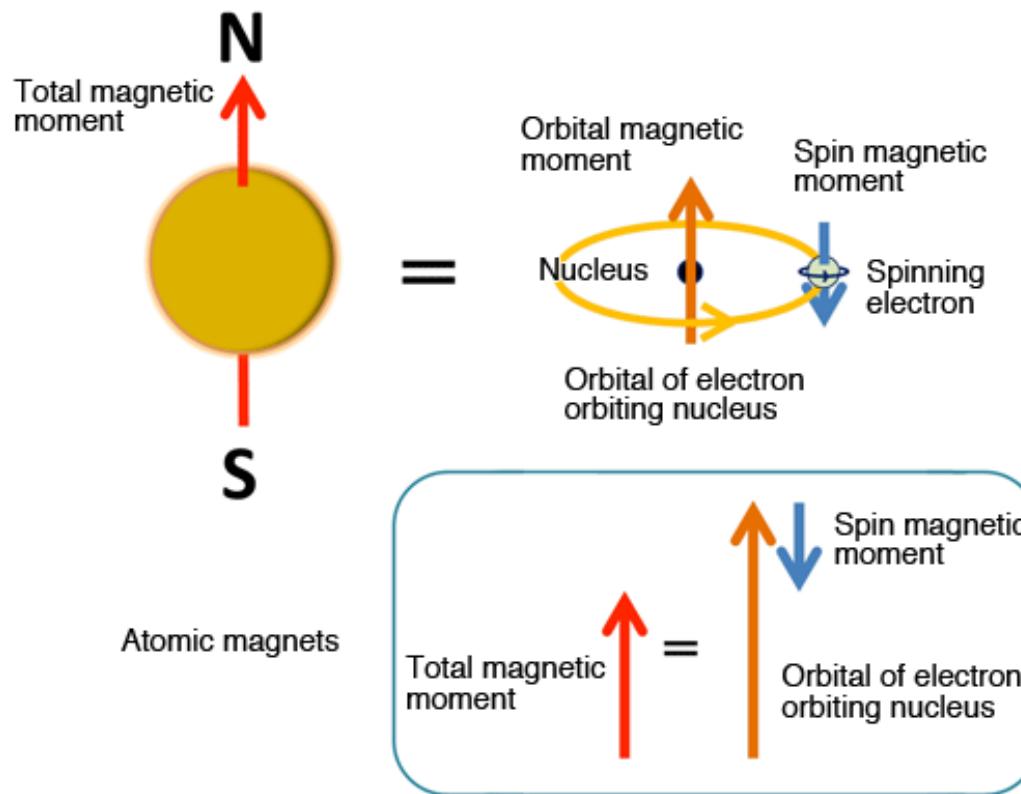
direct-drive wind turbines require ~ 600 kg of permanent magnet material  
to produce 1 megawatt of electric power

# Dividing a magnet



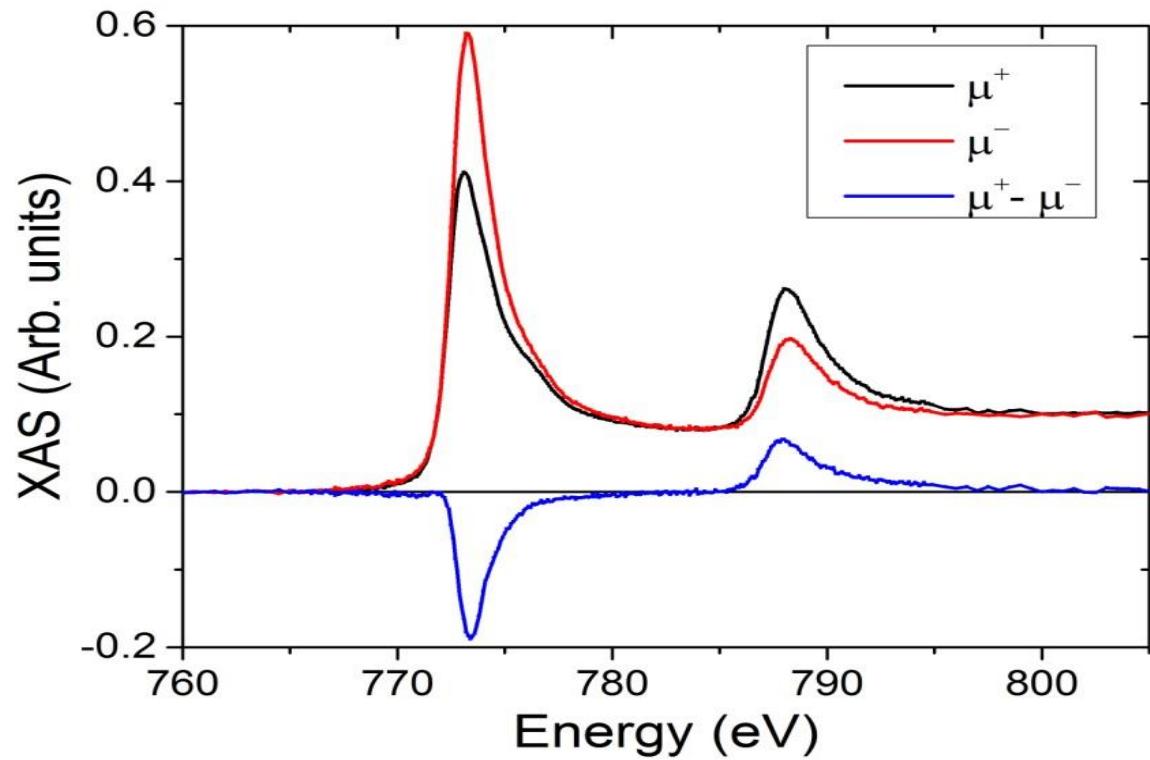
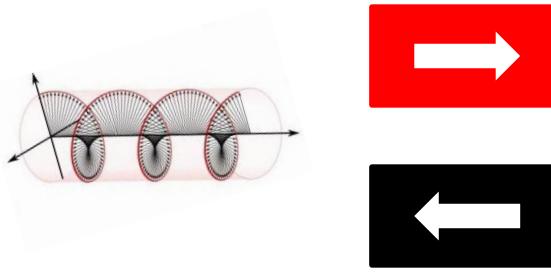
Bar magnets

Atomic magnets



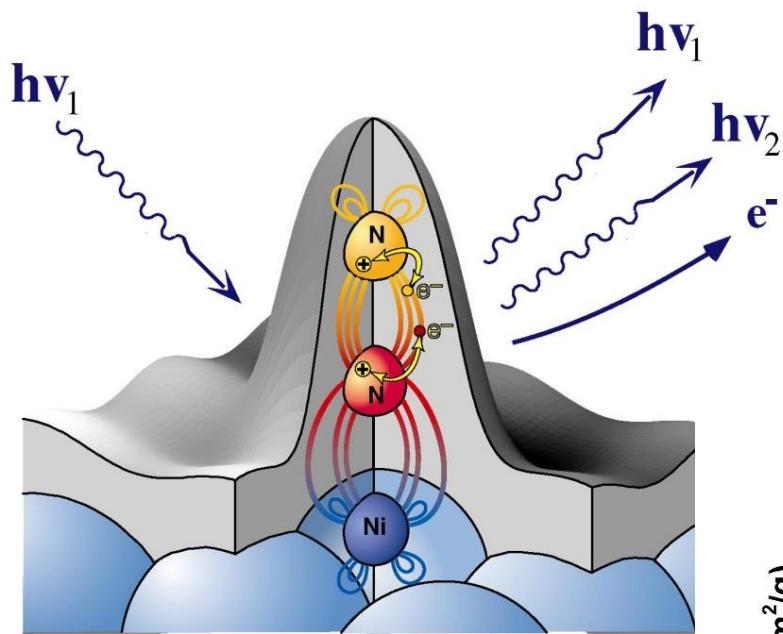
**Spin and orbital magnetic moments are coupled via **spin-orbit interaction**, which is the key ingredient in magneto-optics, magnetocrystalline anisotropy, magnetic chirality, etc**

The experimental technique capable to measure separately SPIN and ORBITAL moments of an atom is **X-ray Magnetic Circular Dichroism (XMCD)**



Difference in absorption cross-section of circularly polarized X-rays for sample magnetization either parallel or antiparallel to the X-ray wavevector

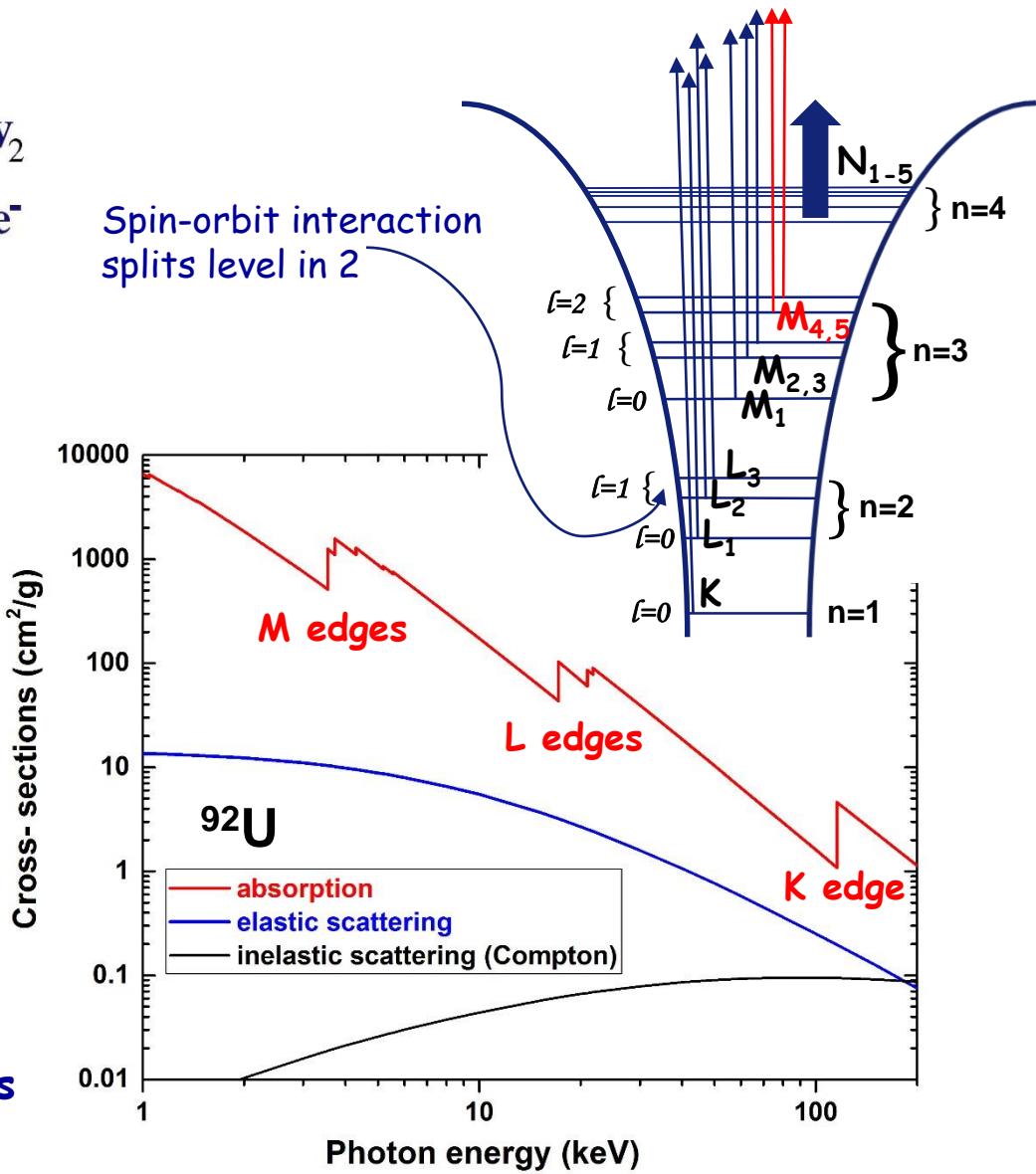
# X-RAY INTERACTIONS WITH MATTER



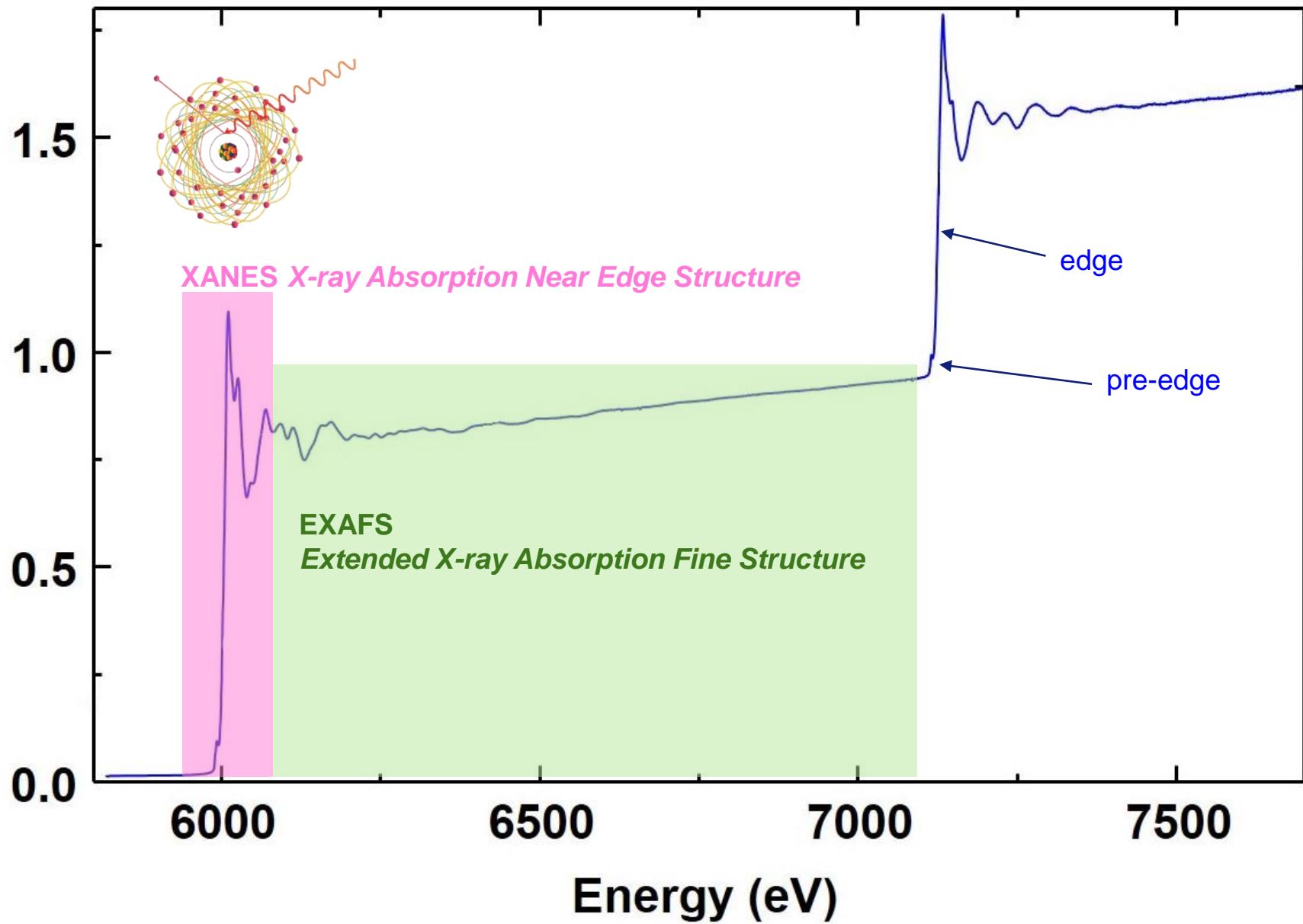
Photon could be

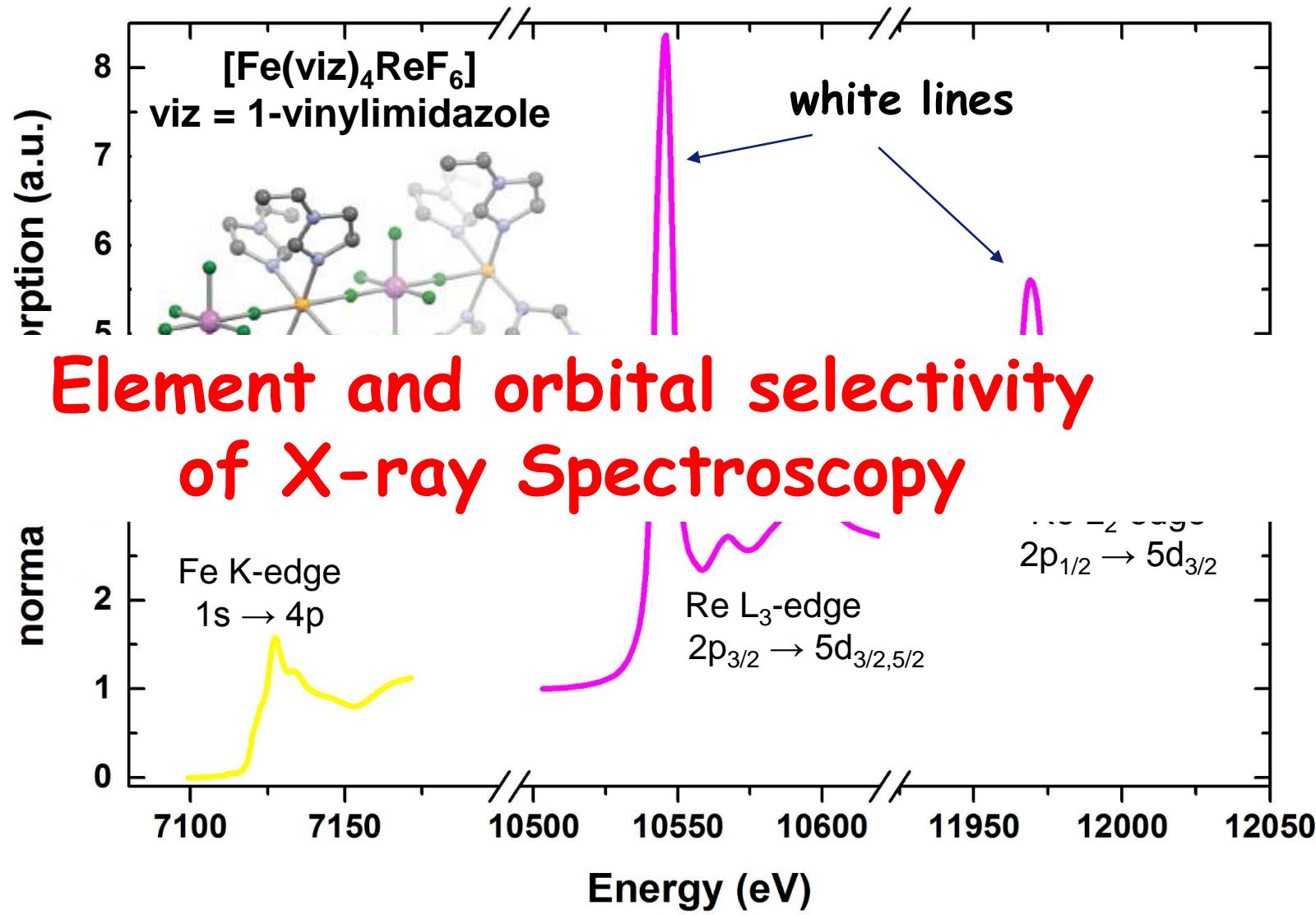
- absorbed (photoelectric effect)
- elastically scattered
- inelastically scattered

below 200 keV absorption dominates

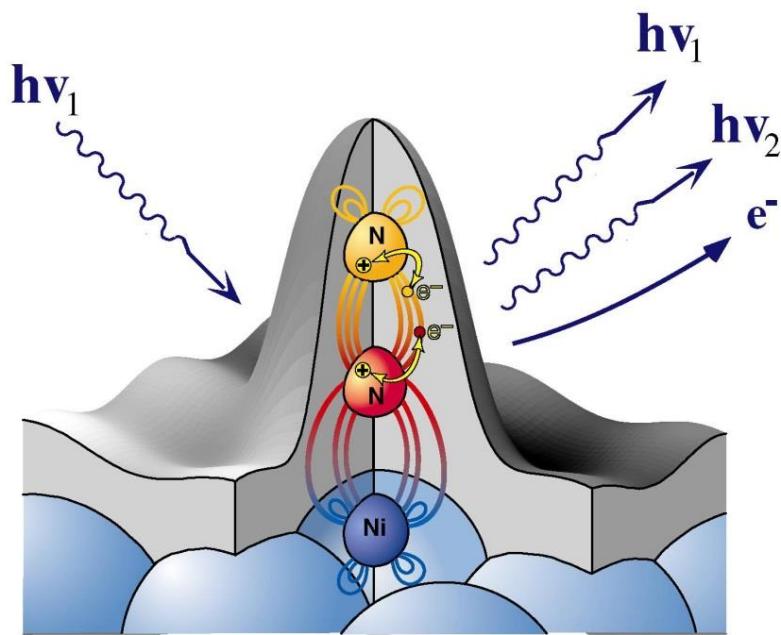


# X-RAY ABSORPTION SPECTROSCOPY



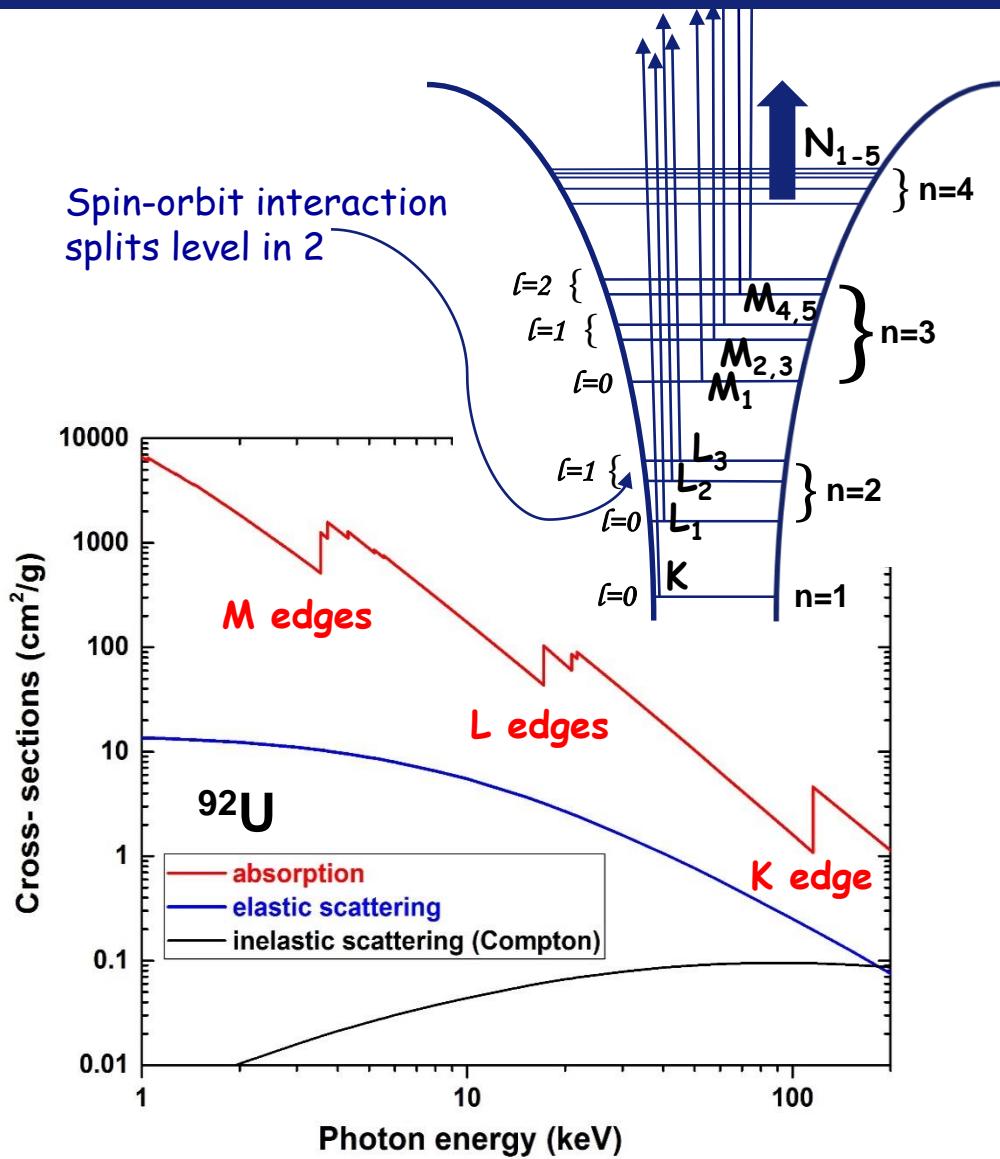


In the early days of XAFS, absorption edges taken with use of photographic plates, appeared as unexposed bands on the plate (developed in negative), or "white lines"



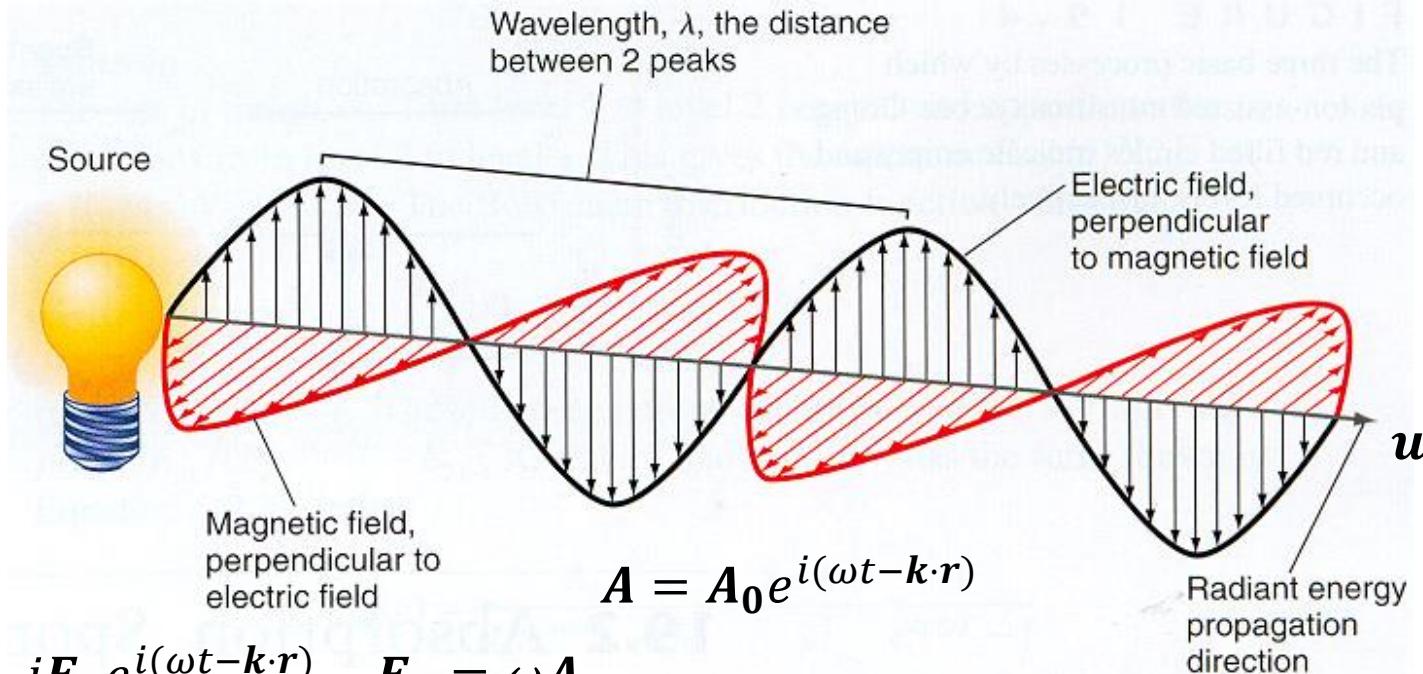
Photon could be

- absorbed (photoelectric effect)
- elastically scattered
- inelastically scattered



For magnetism research, the key word - **POLARIZATION**

## REMINDER: LIGHT AS A EM FIELD



$$\mathbf{E} = -iE_0 e^{i(\omega t - \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r})} \quad \mathbf{E}_0 = \omega \mathbf{A}_0$$

$$\mathbf{B} = -i\mathbf{B}_0 e^{i(\omega t - \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{r})} \quad \mathbf{B}_0 = \mathbf{k} \times \mathbf{A}_0$$

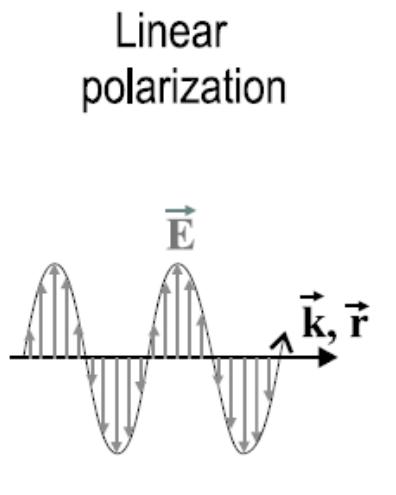
with the wave vector  $\mathbf{k}$  such that  $k^2 = \frac{\omega^2}{c^2}$      $\mathbf{k} = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \mathbf{u} = \frac{\omega}{c} \mathbf{u}$

when  $\mathbf{k}$  along z:  $\mathbf{A}_0 = \begin{pmatrix} A_{0x} e^{i\varphi_{0x}} \\ A_{0y} e^{i\varphi_{0y}} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} :$

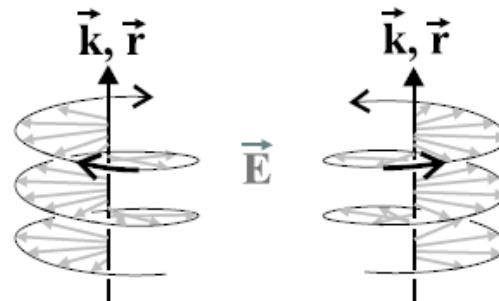
$\varphi_{0x} = \varphi_{0y}$       **linearly polarized light**

$A_{0x} = A_{0y}$   
 $\varphi_{0x} - \varphi_{0y} = \pm 90^\circ$       **circularly polarized light**

# POLARIZATION OF LIGHT



Left circular polarization  
space

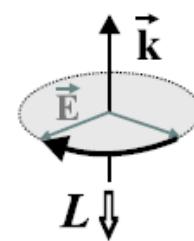
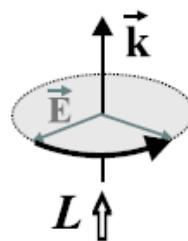
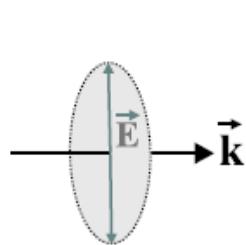


Right circular polarization

Polarization vector  $\epsilon = \frac{\mathbf{E}}{E_0}$

$\mathbf{k} \parallel z$

time



$$\epsilon = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ i \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -i \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Note: the phase conventions are highly variable

## *The first serious approach to the problem of absorption of circularly polarized X-rays*

PHYSICAL REVIEW B

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### **Calculation of the $M_{23}$ magneto-optical absorption spectrum of ferromagnetic nickel**

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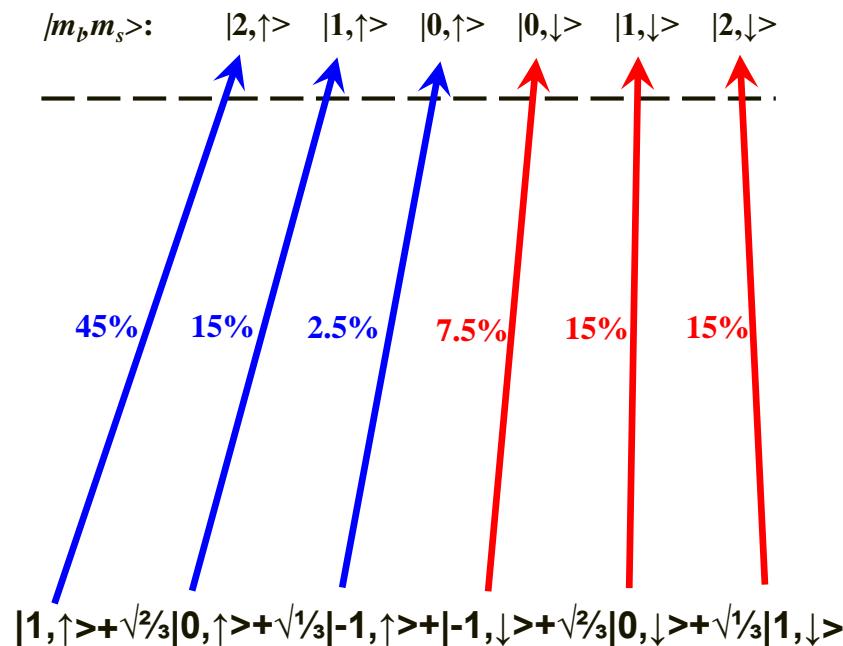
(Received 28 April 1975)

The  $M_{23}$  magneto-optical absorption spectrum of ferromagnetic nickel is calculated using an approach similar to the component state-density method that has been successfully used in obtaining valence-band emission and absorption x-ray spectra of metals. The  $M_{23}$  magneto-optical effects result predominantly from spin-orbit splitting of the  $3p$  core state in conjunction with the final  $d$ -state spin polarization. The calculated spectrum exhibits features that are directly related to electronic structure parameters including the  $3p$  core spin-orbit splitting, and the unfilled  $d$ -band spin polarization. Temperature variations in the magneto-optical structure can be used to determine separately the exchange-splitting variation and spin-wave excitation contributions to the decrease in the magnetization. Experimental verification of these predictions should provide insight into the applicability of the Stoner model to ferromagnetic nickel and may be helpful in resolving some of the apparently conflicting results of other experimental probes of the spin polarization near the Fermi level in nickel.

## **Two-step model**

# Absorption of a right circularly polarized photon electric dipolar transitions $p \rightarrow d$ ( $\Delta m_l = +1; \Delta m_s = 0$ )

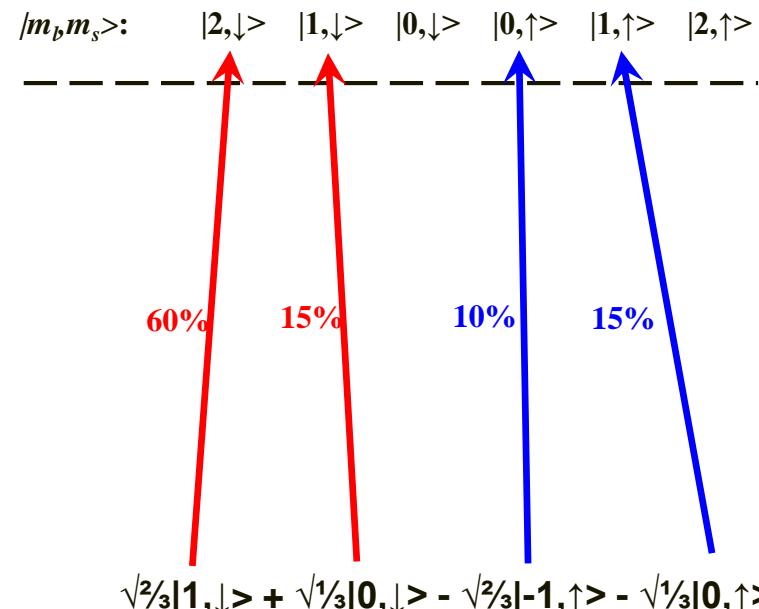
*d continuum*



$$\langle \sigma_z \rangle = 1/4$$

$L_{III}$ -edge ( $2p_{3/2}$ )

*d continuum*

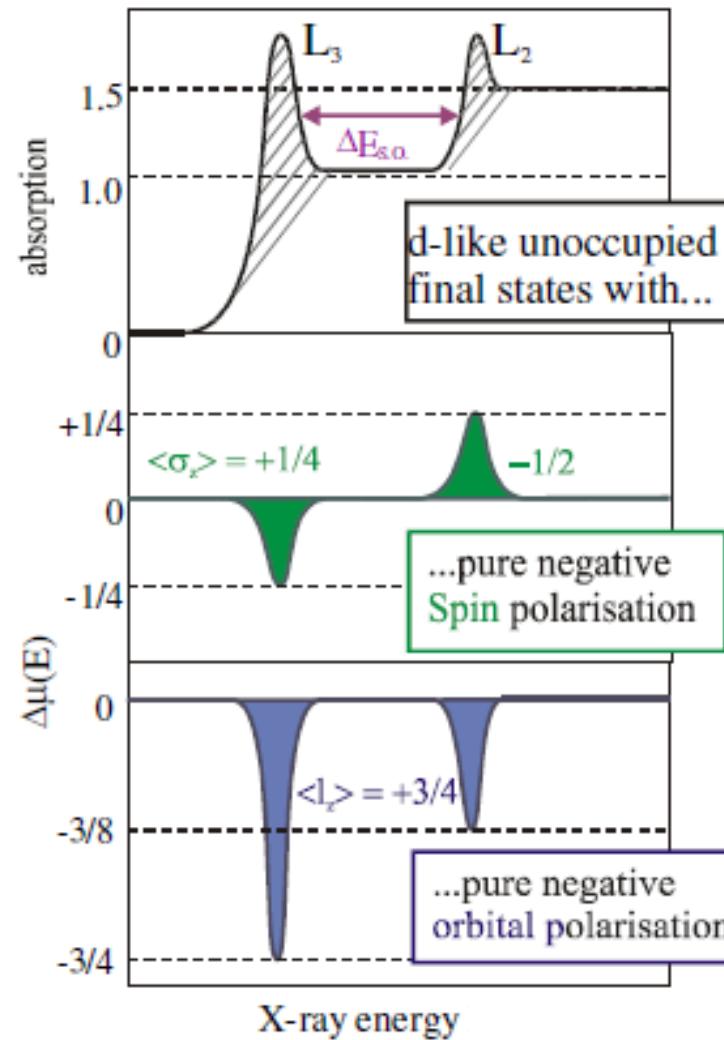
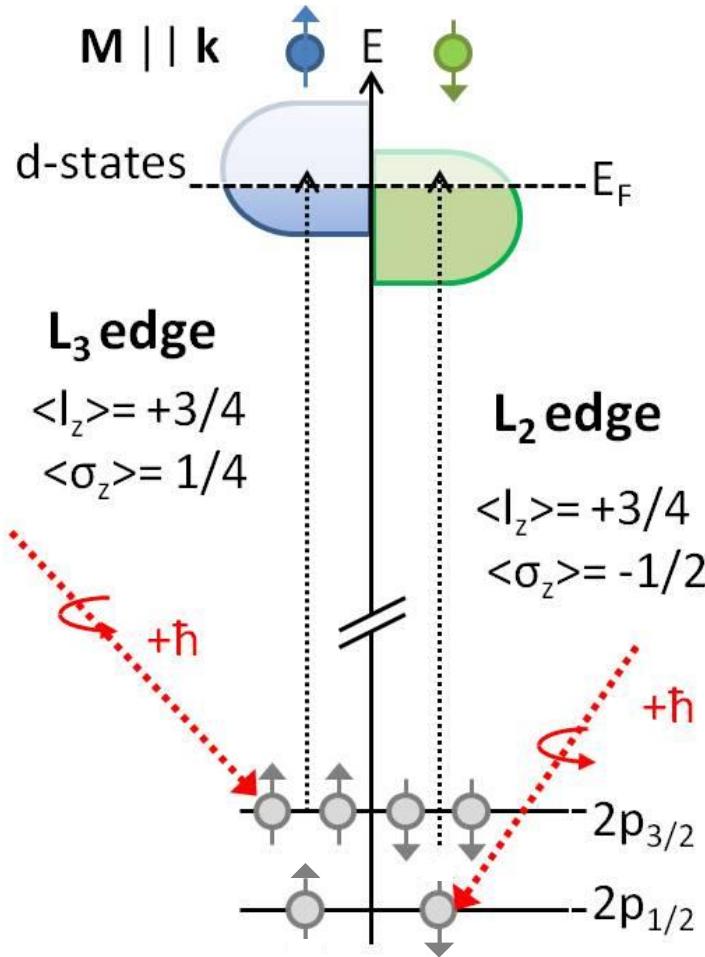


$$\langle \sigma_z \rangle = -1/2$$

$L_{II}$ -edge ( $2p_{1/2}$ )

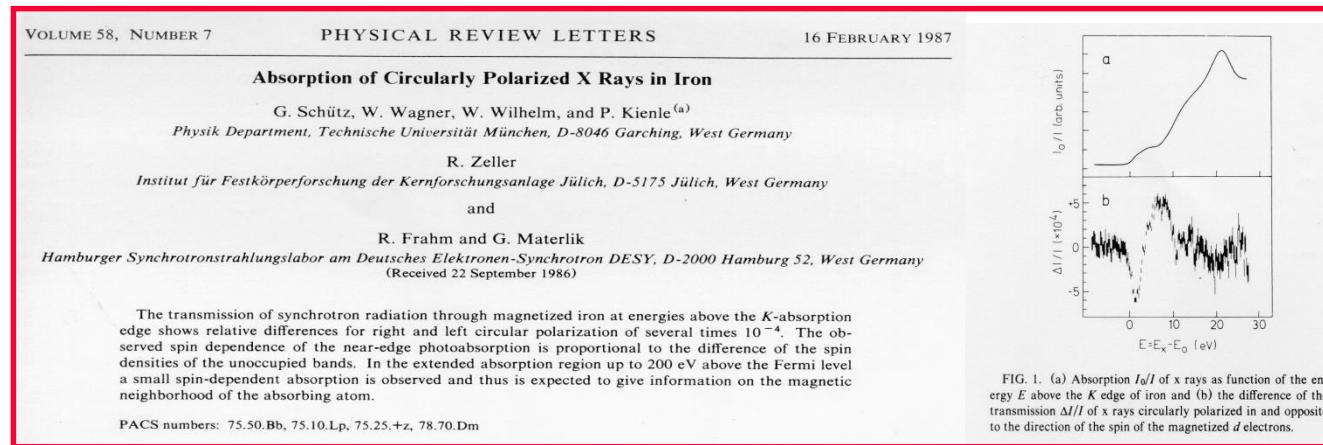
*Excited photoelectrons are spin polarized*

Exchange splitting of the valence band is driving the second step

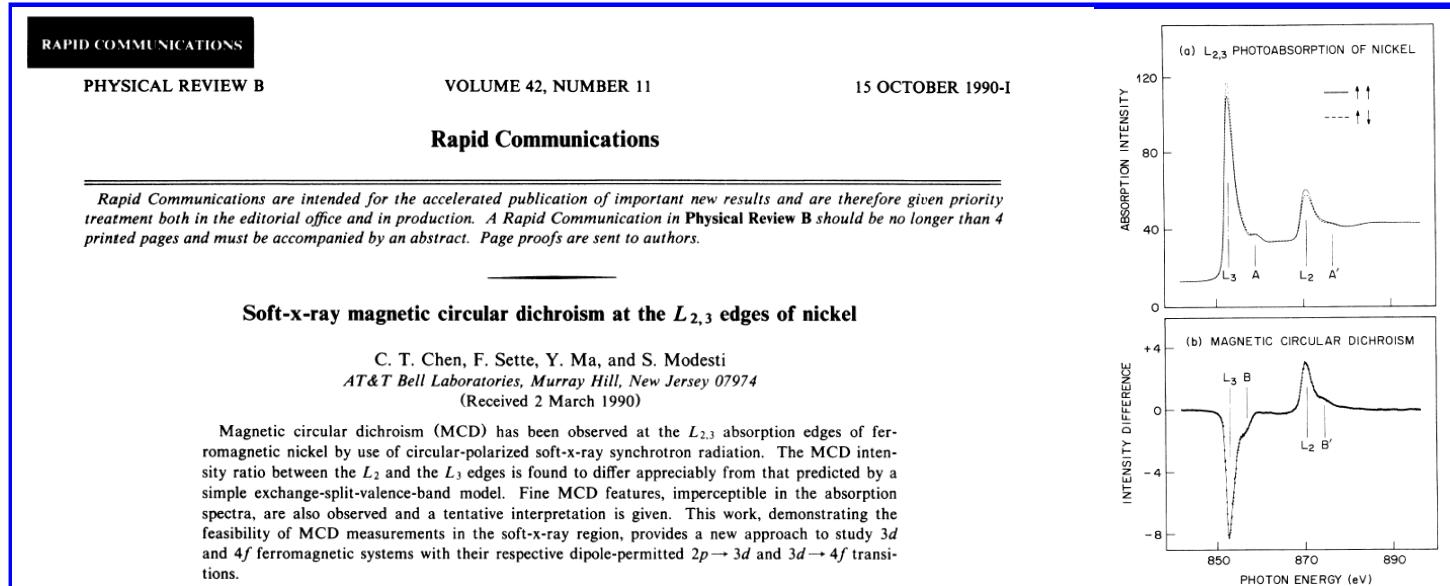


# FIRST EXPERIMENTAL OBSERVATIONS

## *First experimental evidence*



## XMCD is a new approach to study ferromagnetic system



Sum rules relate experimental XMCD spectra to the spin and orbital moments

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PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS

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### X-Ray Circular Dichroism as a Probe of Orbital Magnetization

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A new magneto-optical sum rule is derived for circular magnetic dichroism in the x-ray region (CMXD). The integral of the CMXD signal over a given edge allows one to determine the ground-state expectation value of the orbital angular momentum. Applications are discussed to transition-metal and rare-earth magnetic systems.

## Orbital sum rule

$$\int_{j^+ + j^-} (\mu^+ - \mu^-) = \frac{2l(l+1)}{l(l+1) + 2 - c(c+1)} \times C \times \langle L_z \rangle$$

## Spin sum rule

$$\int_{j^+} (\mu^+ - \mu^-) - \frac{c+1}{c} \int_{j^-} (\mu^+ - \mu^-) = C \times [A \langle S_z \rangle + B \langle T_z \rangle]$$

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1 FEBRUARY 1993

### X-Ray Circular Dichroism and Local Magnetic Fields

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Sum rules are derived for the circular dichroic response of a core line (CMXD). They relate the intensity of the CMXD signal to the ground-state expectation value of the magnetic field operators (orbital, spin, and magnetic dipole) of the valence electrons. The results obtained are discussed and tested for transition metals and rare earths.

$$T = \sum_i (s_i - 3r_i(r_i \cdot s_i)/r_i^2)$$

$$C = \frac{1}{n_h} \int_{j^+ + j^-} (\mu^+ + \mu^- + \mu^0) \quad - \text{X-ray absorption cross section per hole};$$

$$A = \frac{l(l+1) - 2 - c(c+1)}{3c}$$

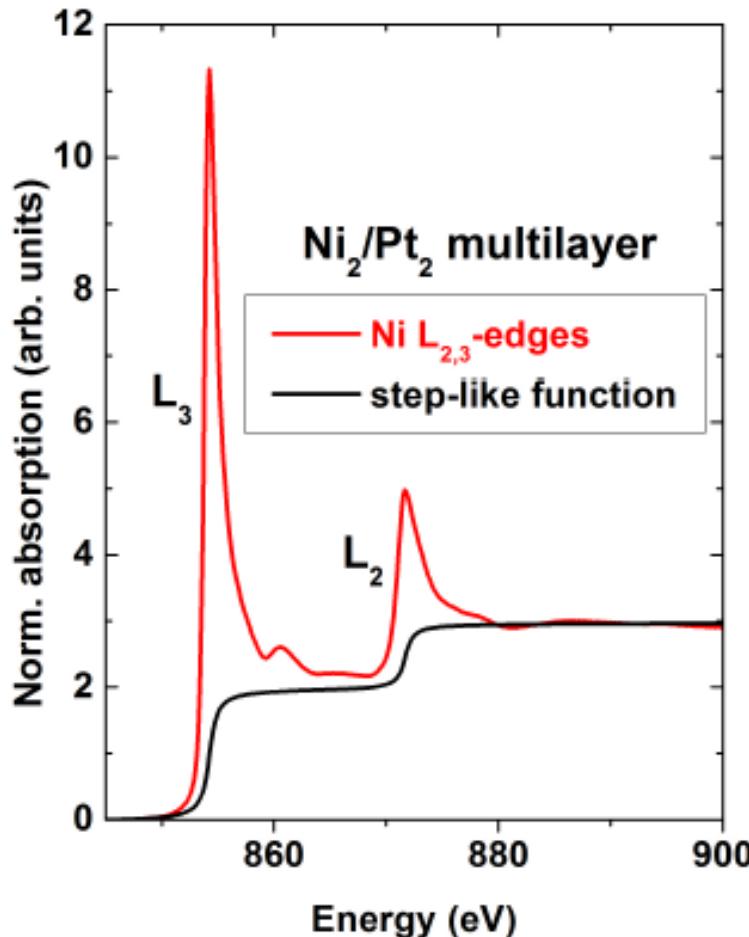
$$B = \frac{l(l+1)[l(l+1) + 2c(c+1) + 4] - 3c(c-1)^2(c+2)^2}{6c \cdot l(l+1)}$$



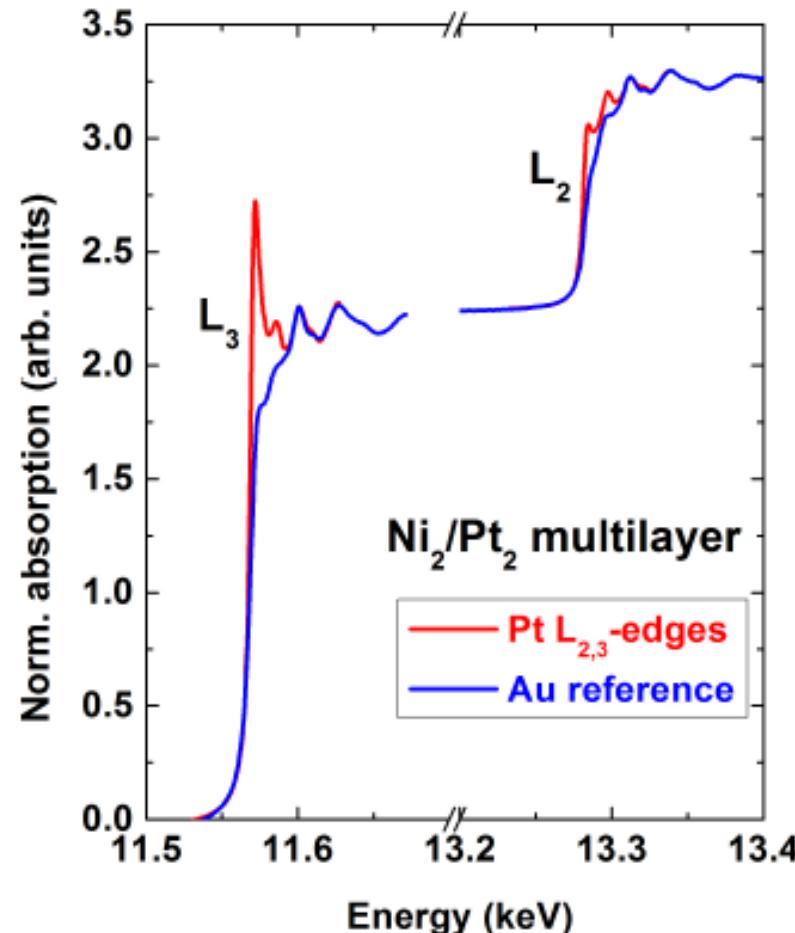
## CHARGE SUM RULE

integrated whitelines intensity is measure for number of holes  
in the valence band => valence state

A.F. Starace, Phys. Rev. B5, 1773 (1972)



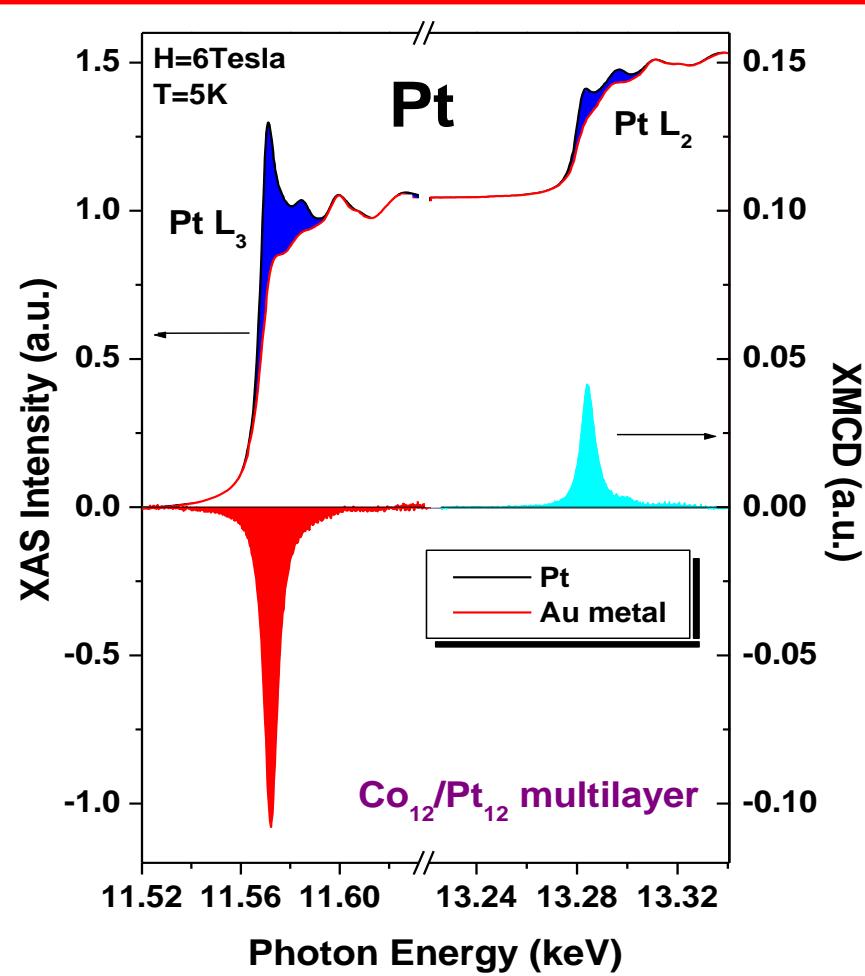
F. Wilhelm, et al. Phys. Rev. Lett 85, 413 (2000)



A. Rogalev et al. Lect. Notes Phys. 697, 71(2006)

## integrated spectra related to spin and orbital magnetic moments in the ground state

B.T Thole et al., Phys. Rev. Lett. 68, 1943 (1992)  
 P. Carra et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. 70, 694 (1993).



$$\langle L_z \rangle = -\frac{4}{3} \cdot C \cdot (A + B)$$

$$\langle S_z \rangle - 7 \langle T_z \rangle = -2C \cdot (A - 2B)$$

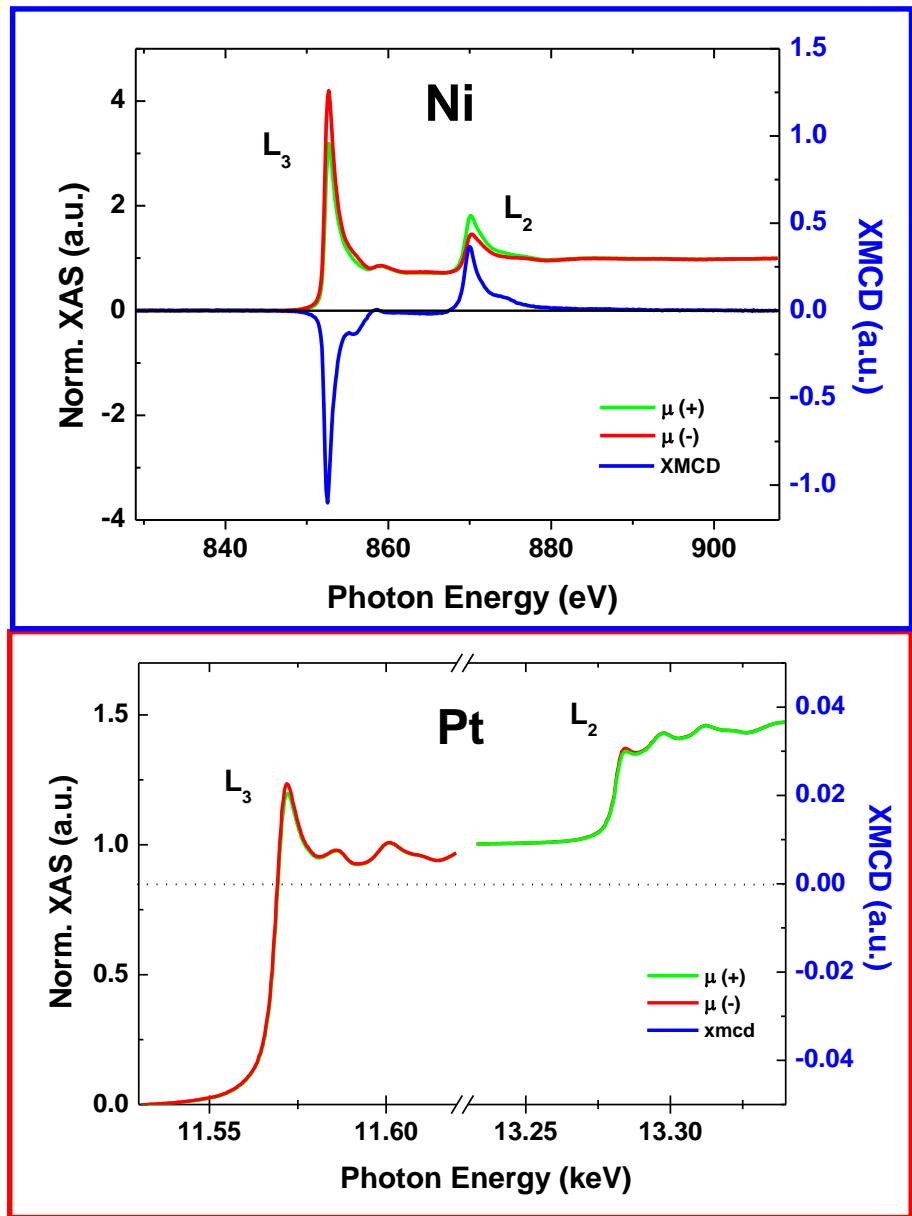
$$\frac{\langle L_z \rangle}{\langle S_z \rangle - 7 \langle T_z \rangle} = \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{(A + B)}{(A - 2B)}$$

in the case of L<sub>3,2</sub> absorption edges

$$C = \frac{(n_h^{Pt} - n_h^{Au})}{A}$$

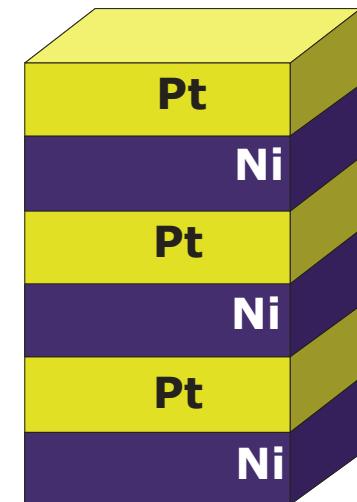
A ~ integrated intensity of transitions into unoccupied d band

$n_h^d$  = number of holes in d band



## $Ni_2/Pt_2$ multilayer

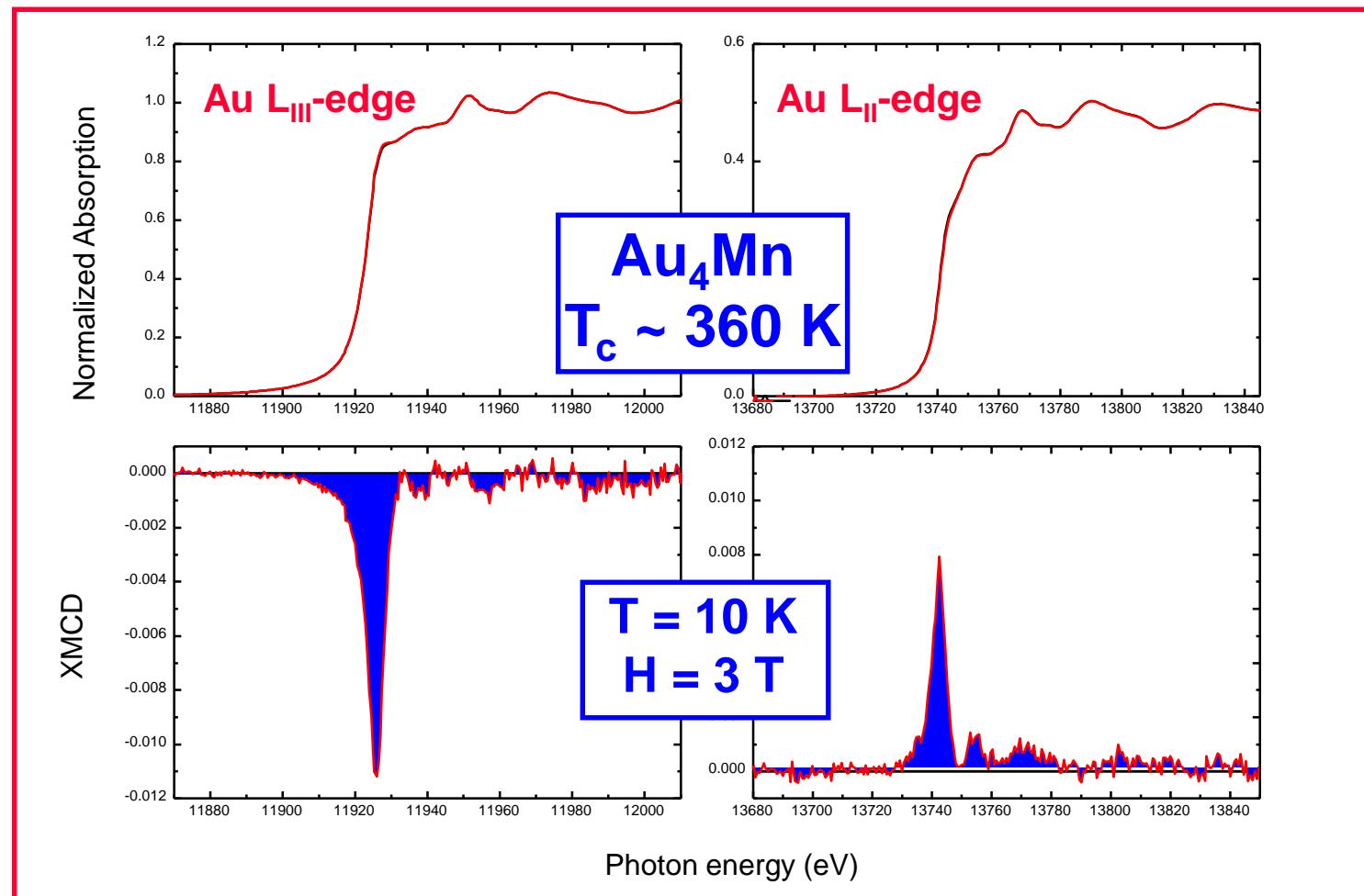
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$T \sim 10K$   
 $H = \pm 5 T$

## RESULTS

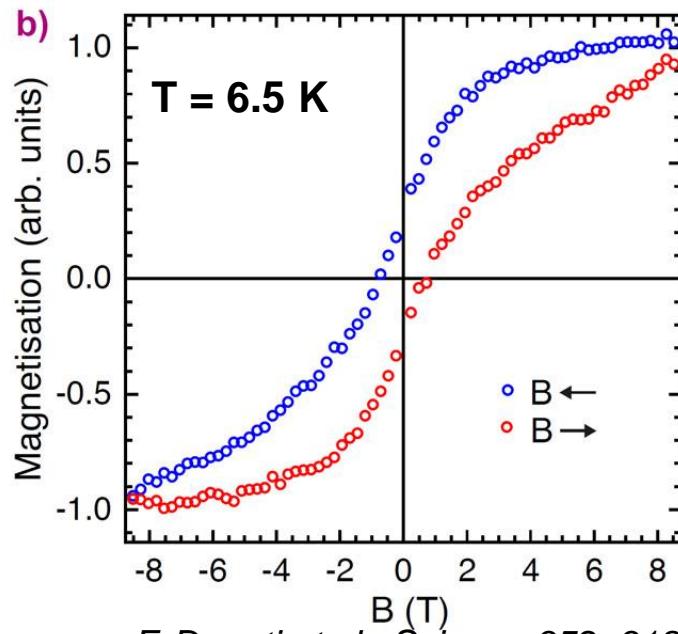
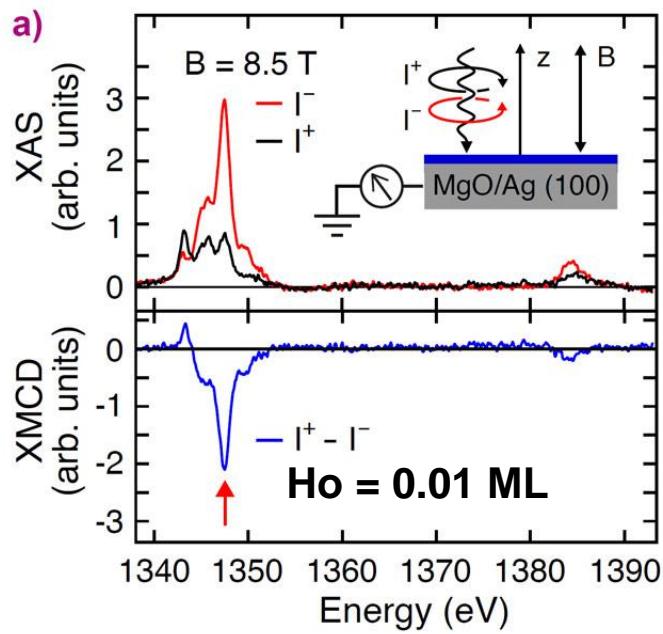
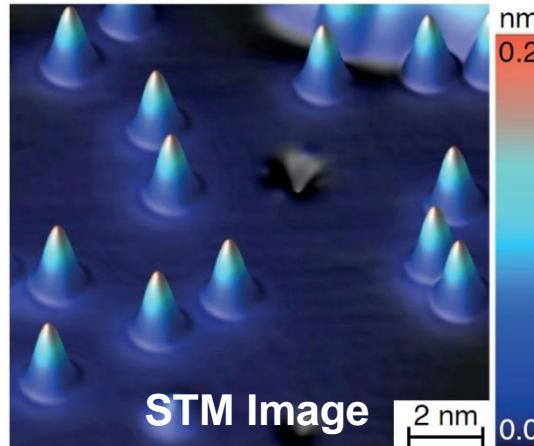
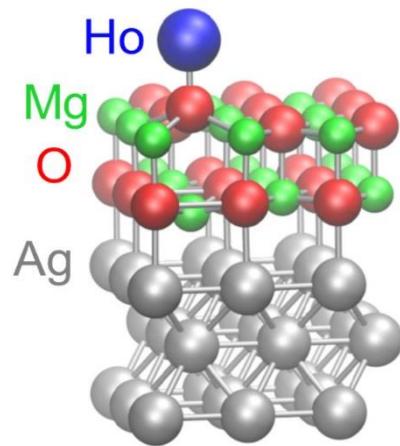
- **Ni magnetic moments:**
 $\mu_S^{3d} = 0.35 \mu_B/\text{atom}$ 
 $\mu_L^{3d} = 0.038 \mu_B/\text{atom}$
- **Pt induced magnetic moments:**
 $\mu_S^{5d} = 0.14 \mu_B/\text{atom}$ 
 $\mu_L^{5d} = 0.03 \mu_B/\text{atom}$



$\langle S_z \rangle = 0.0353(5)\mu_B$   $\langle L_z \rangle = 0.0054(5)\mu_B$  (per Au atom)  
 To compare with  $4.15\mu_B$  per Mn atom

# SENSITIVITY OF XMCD: A SINGLE SURFACE-ADSORBED ATOM

Ho atoms on a two-monolayer-thick MgO film deposited on Ag(100)



ESRF ID32

F. Donati et al., Science 352, 318-321 (2016)

# INDUCED MAGNETISM ON GOLD ATOMS

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## Magnetic moment of Au at Au/Co interfaces: A direct experimental determination

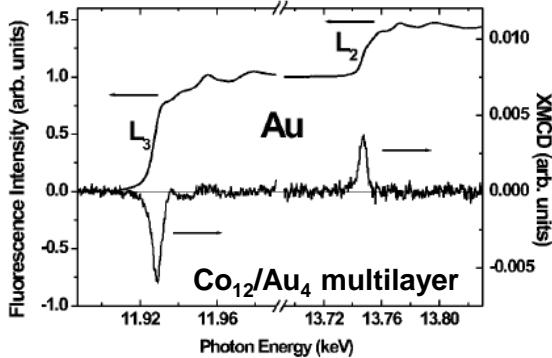
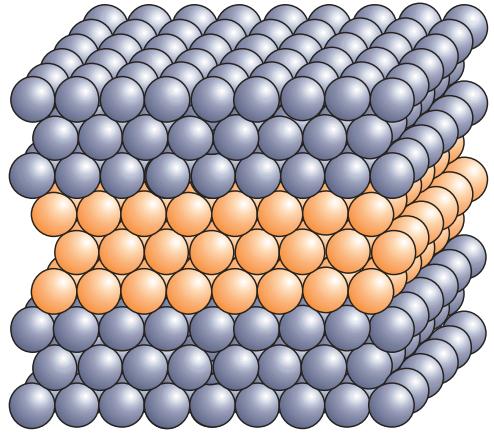
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$$\mu_{tot}^{Au} \approx 0.031 \mu_B / atom$$

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## Au and Fe magnetic moments in disordered Au-Fe alloys

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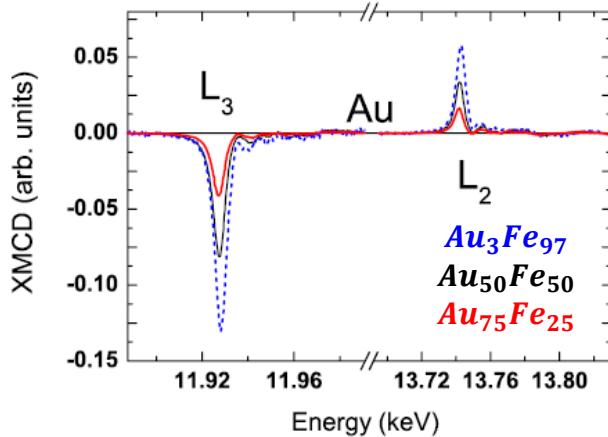
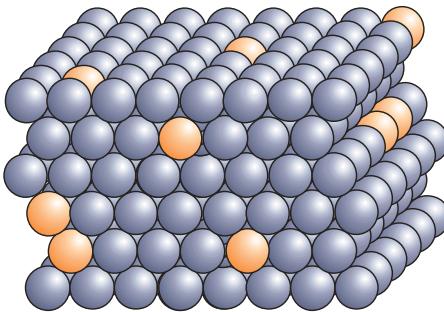
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$$\begin{aligned}\mu_{tot}^{Au} &\approx 0.33 \mu_B / atom \\ \mu_{tot}^{Au} &\approx 0.197 \mu_B / atom \\ \mu_{tot}^{Au} &\approx 0.099 \mu_B / atom\end{aligned}$$

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## Strong Paramagnetism of Gold Nanoparticles Deposited on a *Sulfolobus acidocaldarius* S Layer

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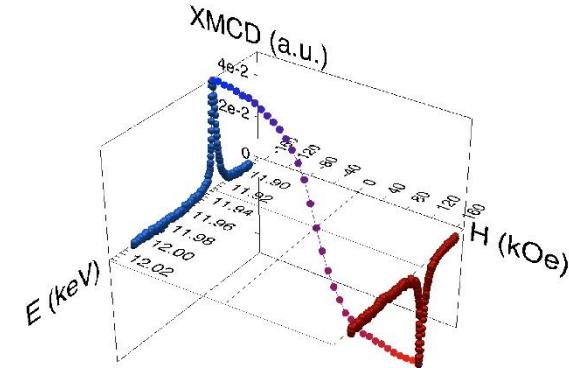
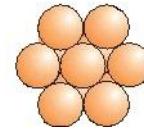
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$$\mu_{tot}^{Au} \approx 0.051 \mu_B / atom$$

$$(T = 2.3 K; H = 17 T)$$

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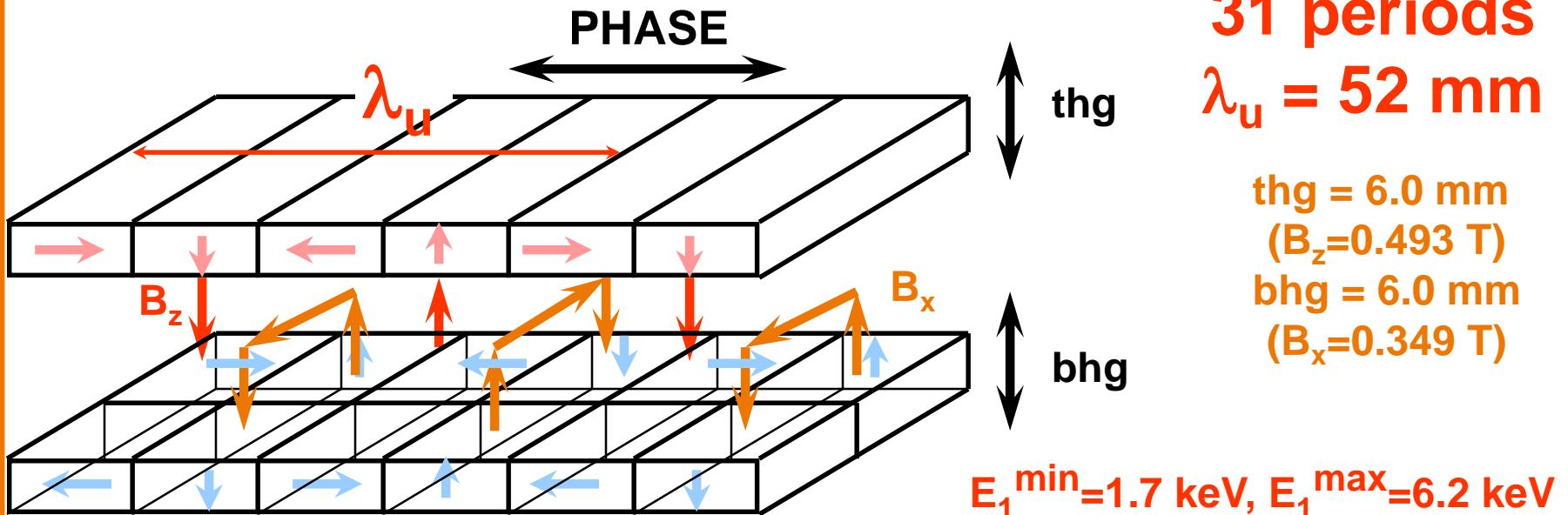
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$\mu^+, \mu^- \Rightarrow$  Absorption cross-sections for CP X-rays with  
( + ) helicity *parallel* to the sample magnetization  
( - ) helicity *antiparallel* to the sample magnetization

- Source of monochromatic circularly polarized X-rays
- Magnetic field to magnetize a sample
- Highly performing X-ray detectors

The best possible at the 3<sup>rd</sup> generation  
synchrotron radiation facilities

# SOURCE OF CIRCULARLY POLARIZED X-RAYS



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*Full control of polarization: flipping time ~ 5 seconds*

$$B_x = B_z$$

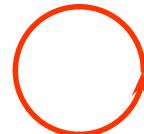
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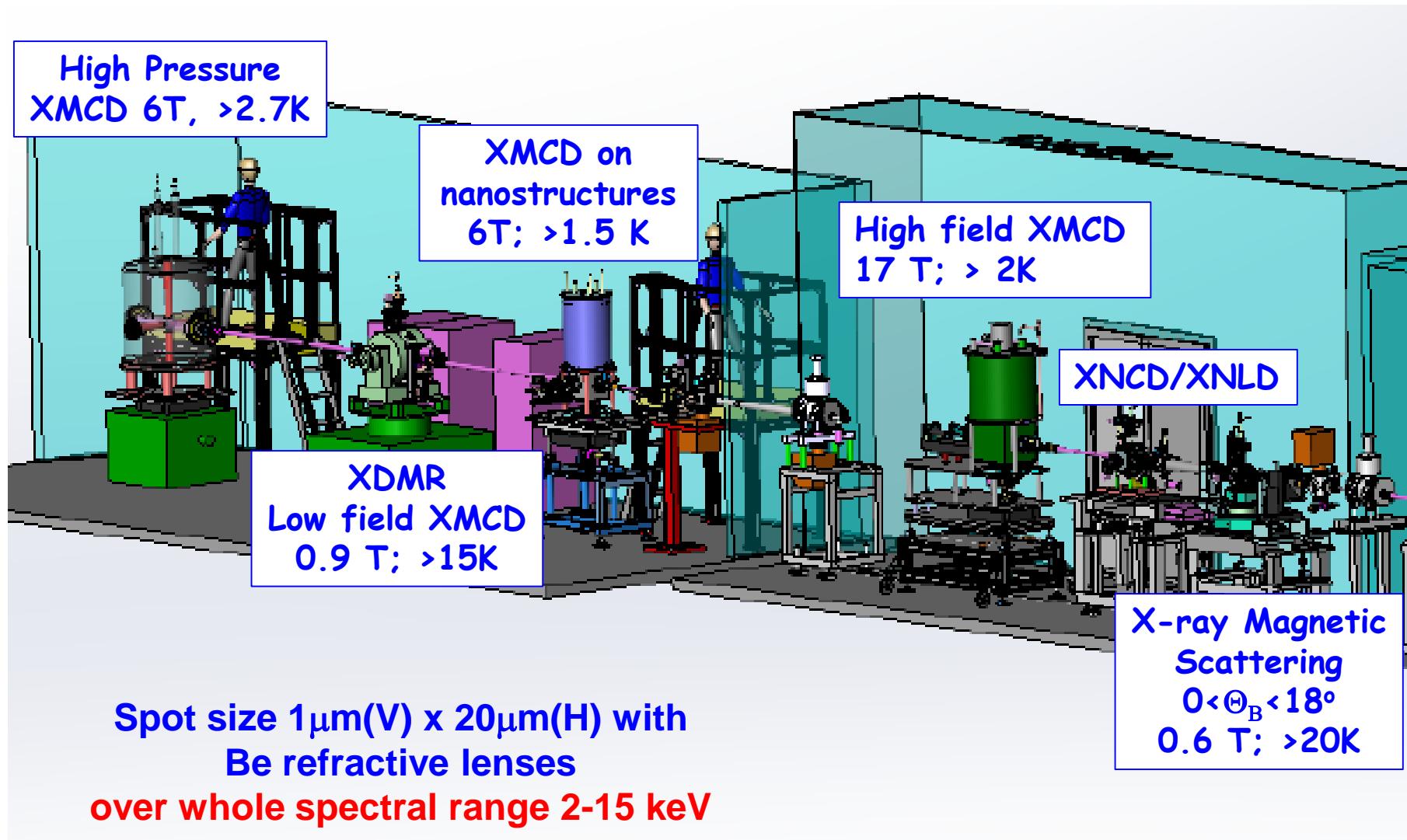
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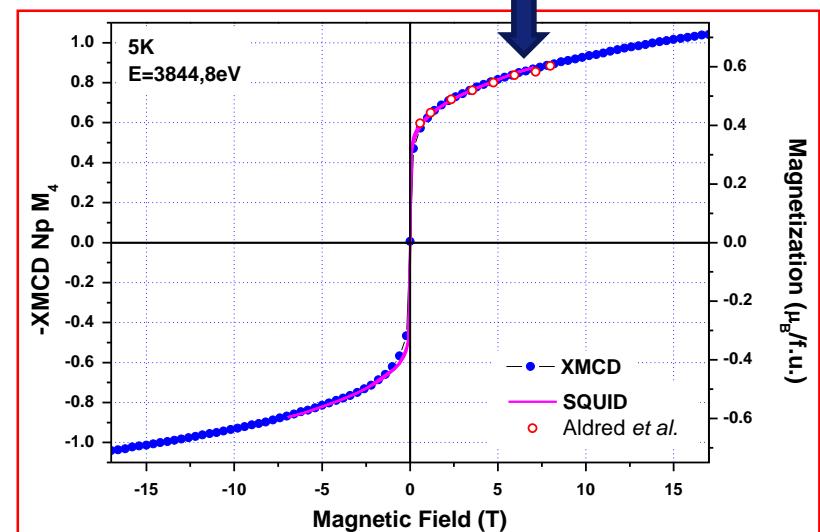
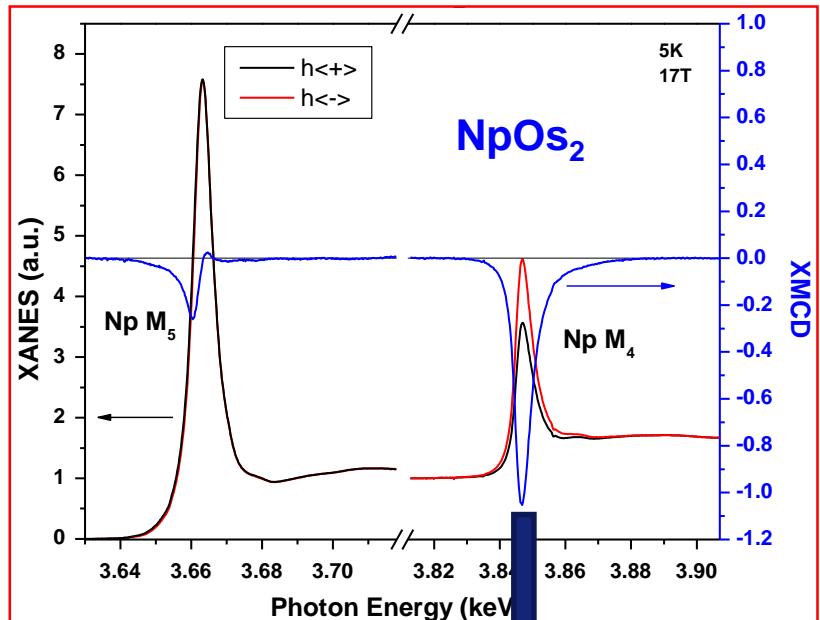
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2.05 keV - 15 keV

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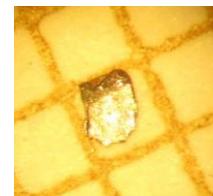
# HIGH FIELD XMCD END-STATION



Aldred et al., PRB10, 1011(1974)

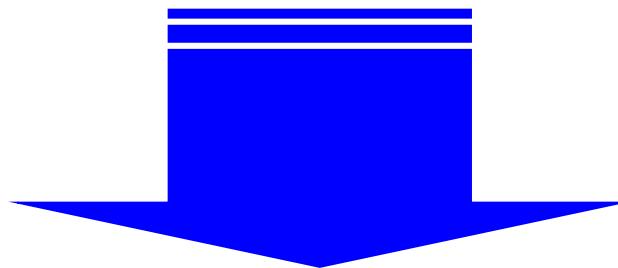
Wilhelm et al., PRB 88, 024424 (2013)

$H < \pm 17$  Tesla,  $T > 2.0$  K



Typical sample size  
0.65mm X 0.80mmx0.12mm

# X-ray Magnetic Circular Dichroism is a unique tool to study microscopic magnetic properties



- Element-specific and orbital-selective magnetometry tool
- Sensitive to the electronic structure (valence state, symmetry,... )
- Possibility to extract Spin and Orbital magnetic moments of absorbing atoms only
- Small size samples (focusing the x-ray beam)
- Single crystals, polycrystalline and amorphous materials, thin films, nanoparticles, monolayers, ad-atoms, ...

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# MAGNETIC STRUCTURES

**classical**

permanent  
magnets

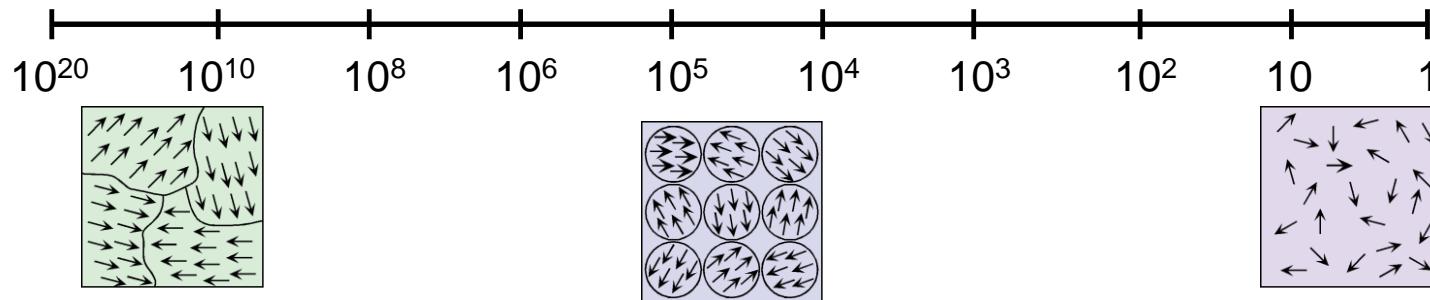
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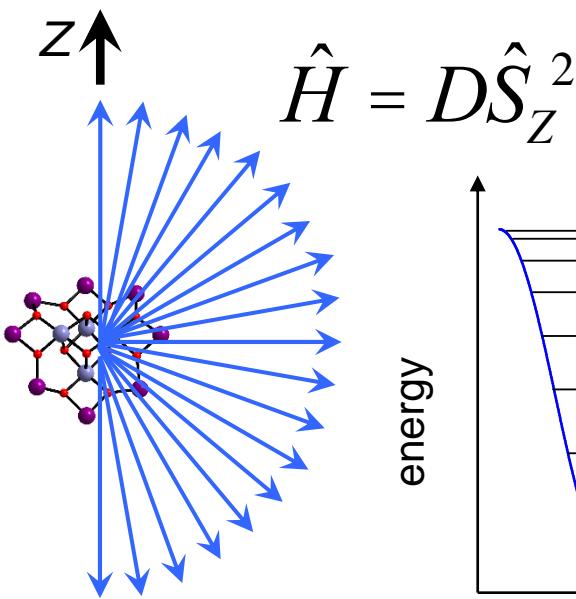
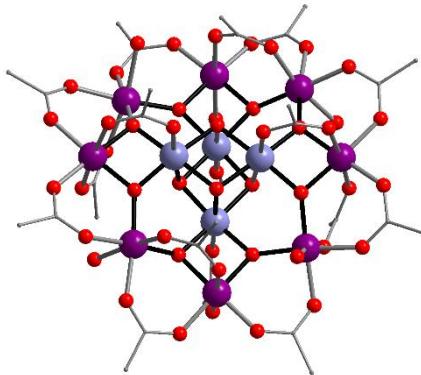
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Paramagnets and  
Single-molecule  
magnets

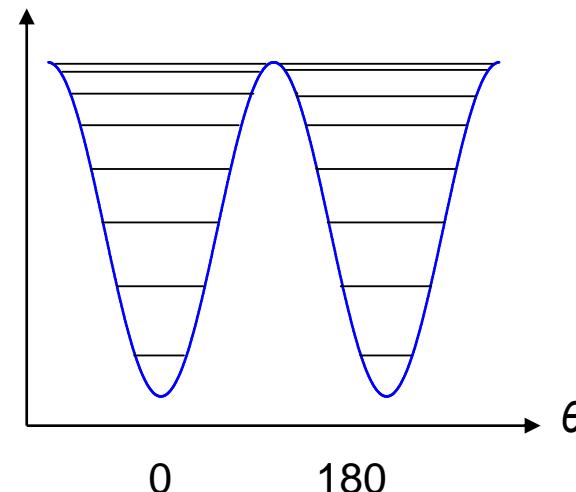


$\text{Mn}_{12}\text{ac}$



$$\hat{H} = D \hat{S}_Z^2$$

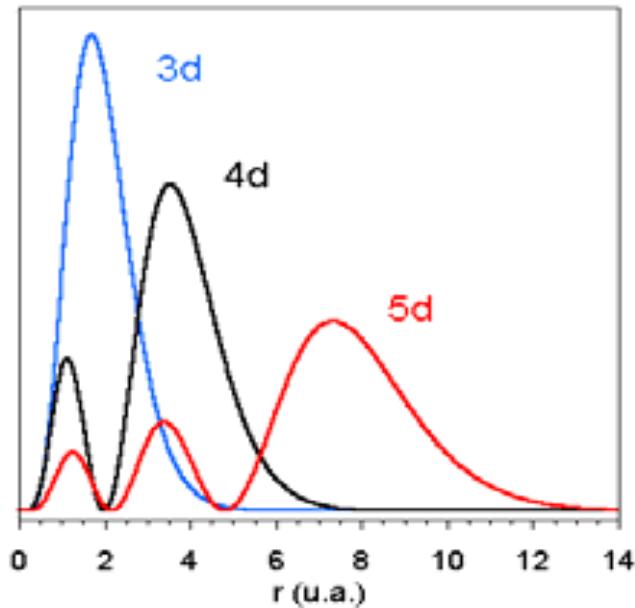
energy



$$\tau(T) = \tau_0 \exp\{\Delta_{\text{eff}}/(k_B T)\}$$

Low  
temperature!

### Radial Distribution



$$\lambda = \frac{1}{2} m_e Z^4 \alpha^4 c^2 \frac{1}{n^3 l(l + \frac{1}{2})(l + 1)}$$

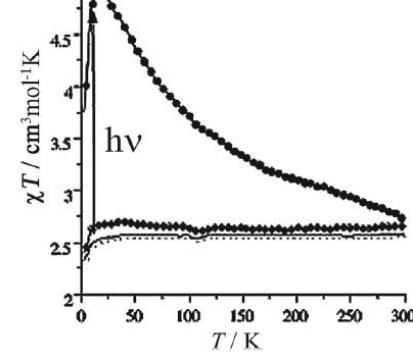
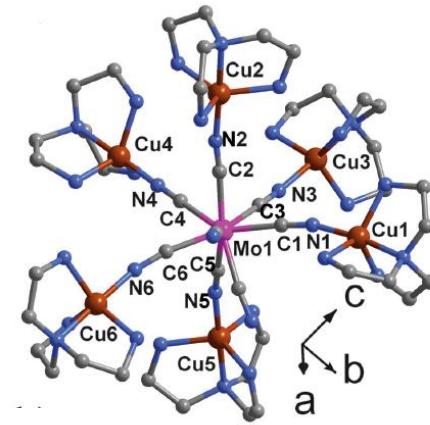
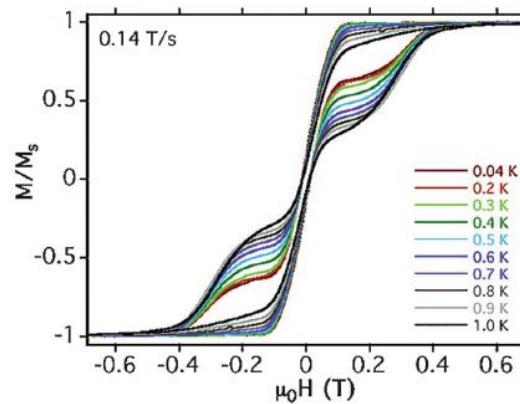
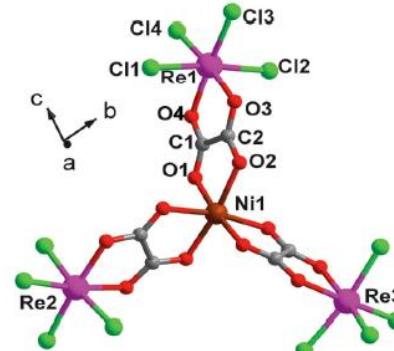
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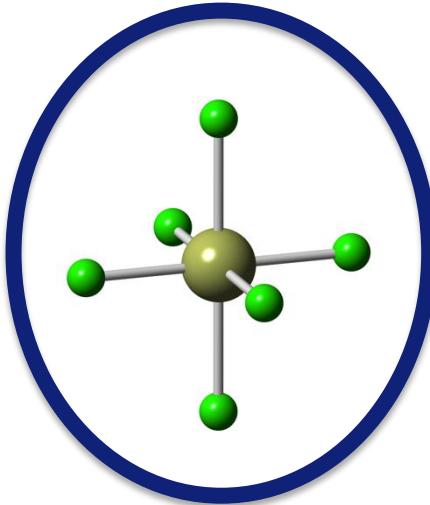
#### Molecular magnetic materials based on 4d and 5d transition metals†

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# EXOTIC MAGNETIC PHENOMENA IN “IRIDATES”

Electronegativity  
Mass and size  
Redox-innocence  
....



also:

(pyrochlores)  
(honeycomb)  
(hyperkagome)

PRL 114, 096403 (2015)

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## $J_{\text{eff}} = 1/2$ Mott-Insulating State in Rh and Ir Fluorides

Turan Birol and Kristjan Haule

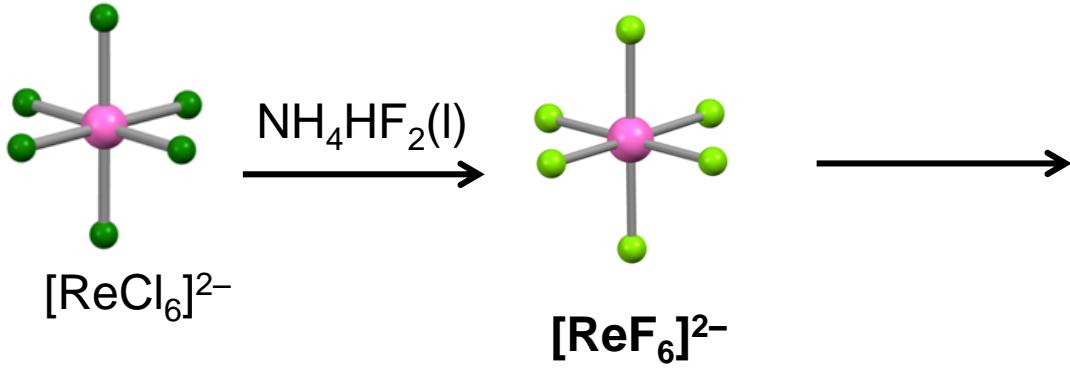
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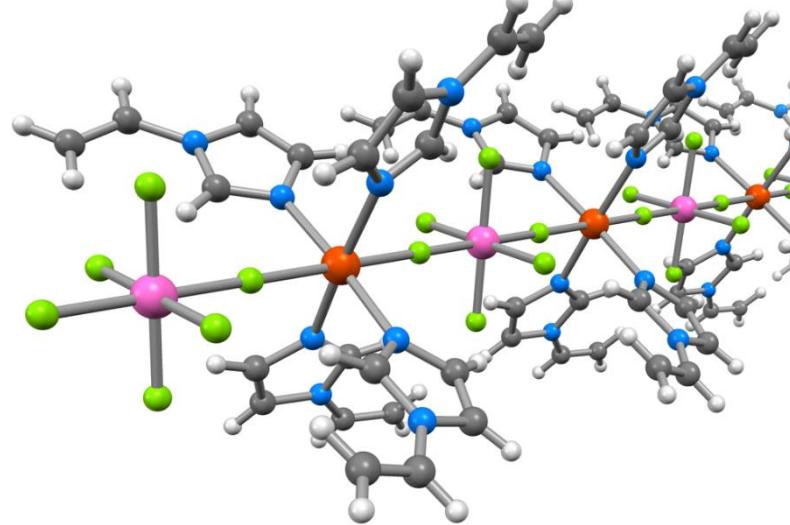


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## GETTING SOME $[MF_6]^{x-}$



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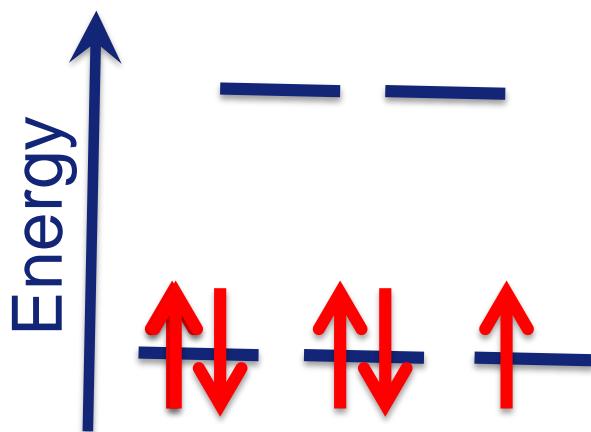
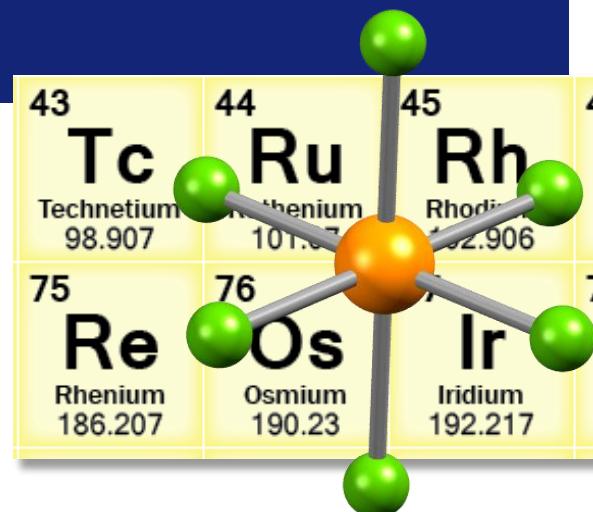
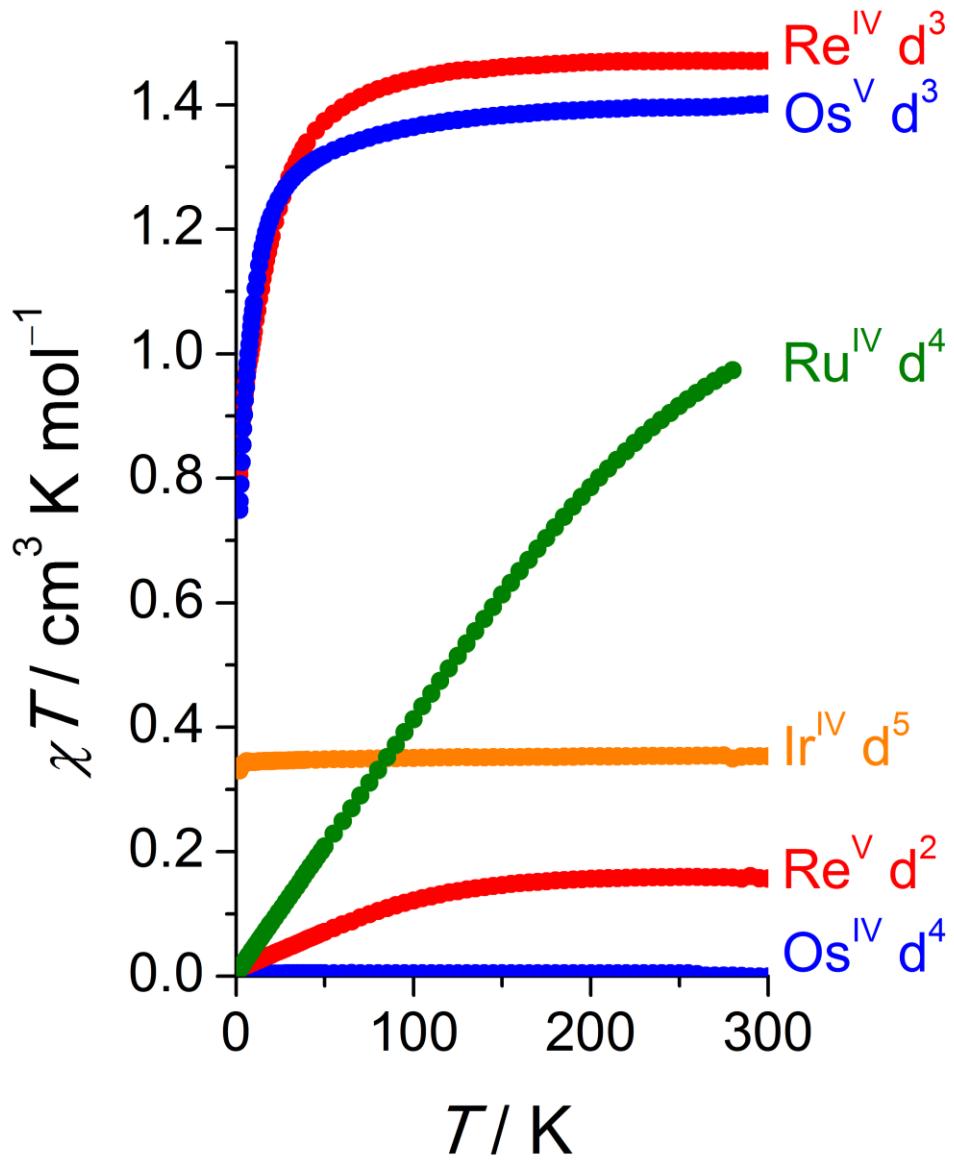
A robust building block ...

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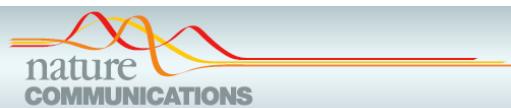
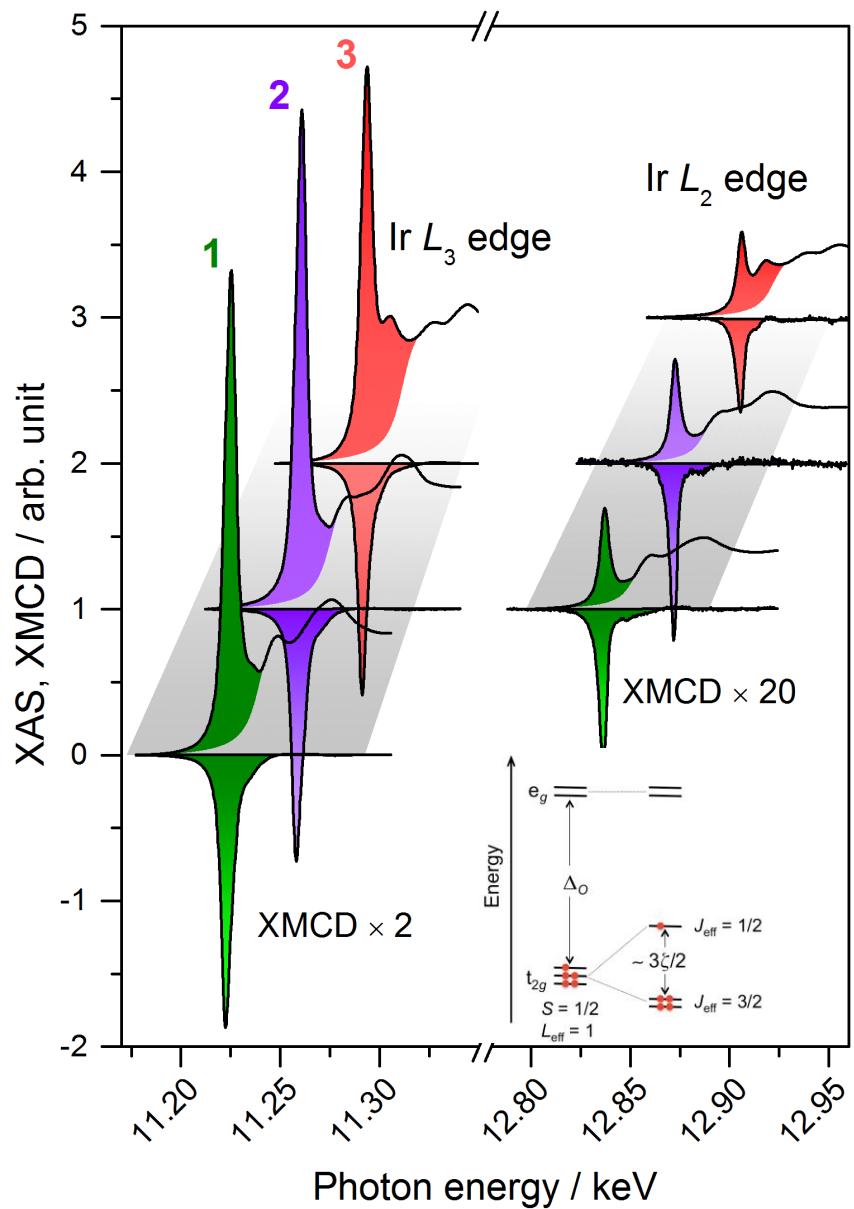


## SOME INDICATIONS OF ORBITAL MAGNETISM



$$\chi T = \frac{g^2}{8} S(S+1)$$

# XMCD OF $[\text{IrX}_6]^{2-}$ COMPLEXES



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## Iridates from the molecular side

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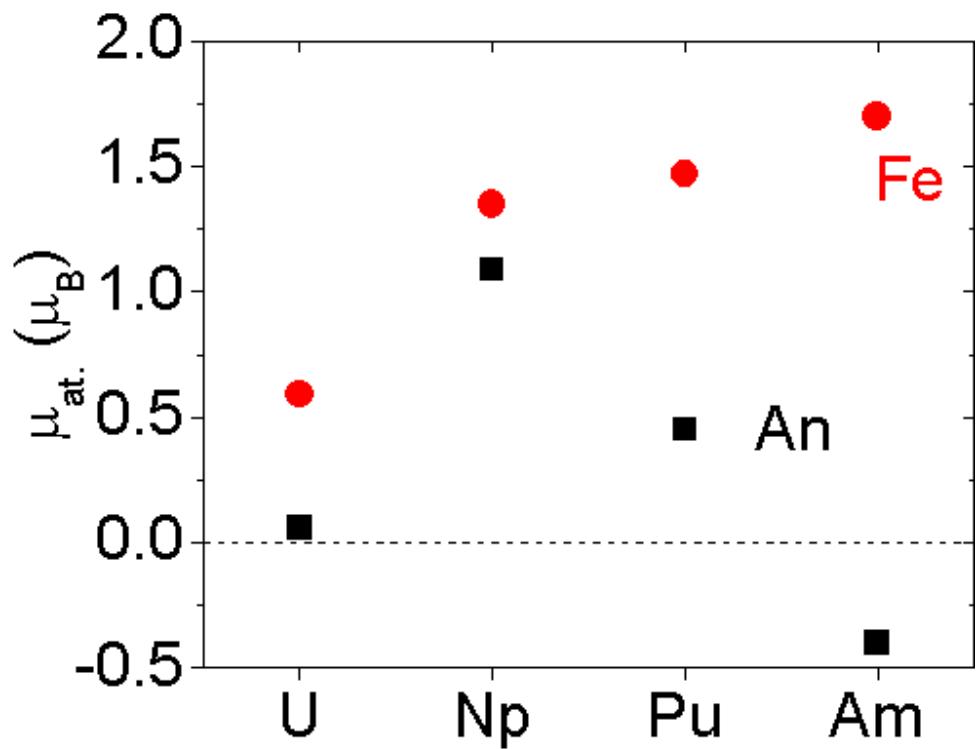
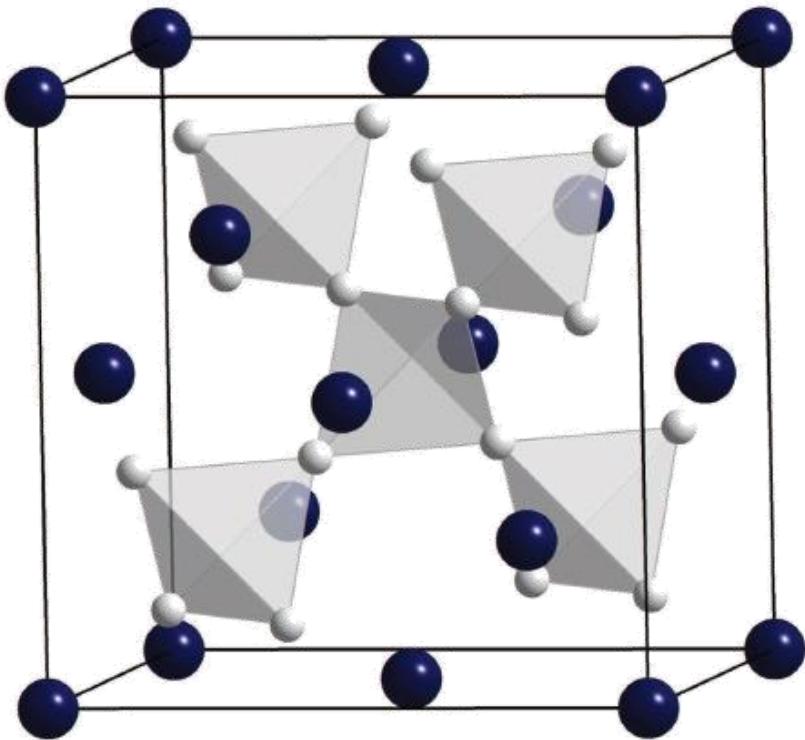
$$\langle L_z \rangle \propto I_{L_3}^{\text{XMCD}} + I_{L_2}^{\text{XMCD}}$$

$$\langle S_{\text{eff}} \rangle \propto I_{L_3}^{\text{XMCD}} - 2 \times I_{L_2}^{\text{XMCD}}$$

	$[\text{IrF}_6]^{2-}$	$[\text{IrCl}_6]^{2-}$	$\text{Sr}_2\text{IrO}_4$
$\langle S_z \rangle$	0.13	0.15	0.15
$\langle L_z \rangle$	0.77	0.65	0.63

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## THE ANFE<sub>2</sub> SYSTEM

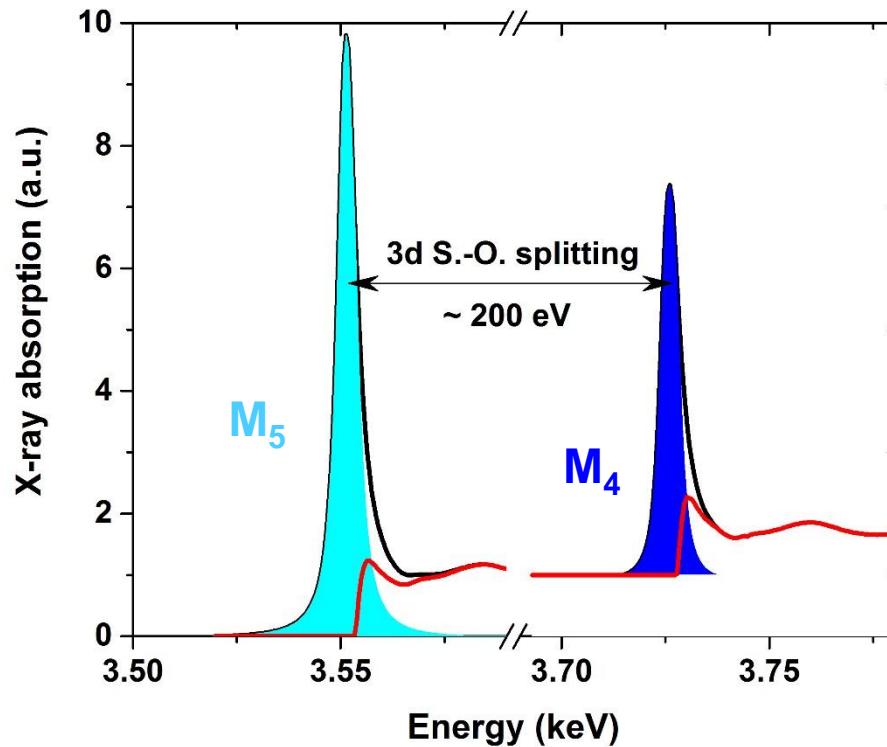
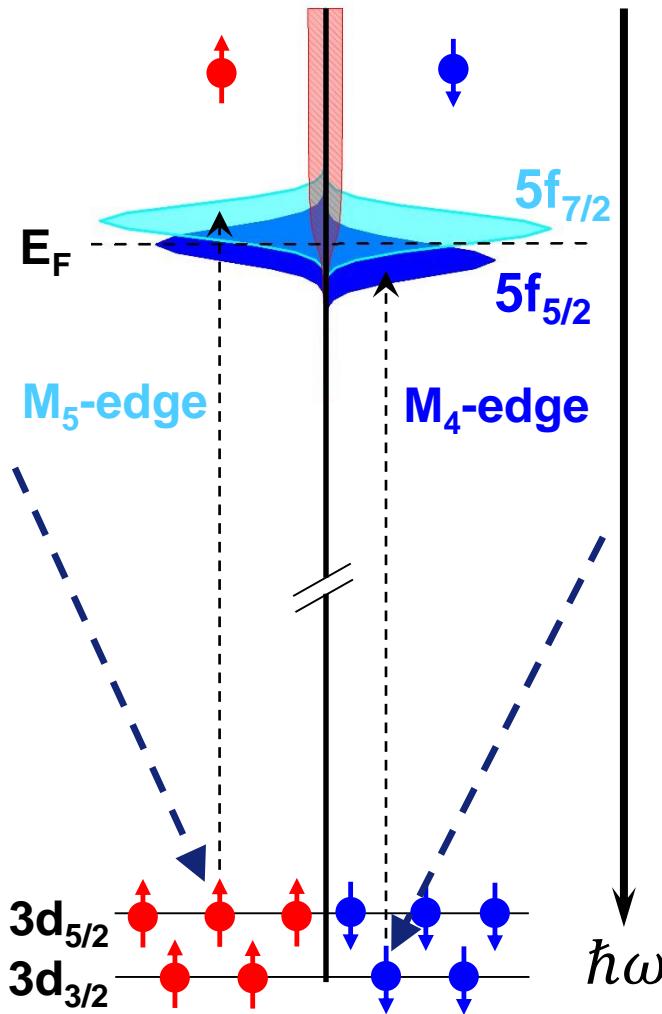


Laves phase, C-15 structure, fcc unit cell  
 $T_C$ s between 160 K ( $UFe_2$ ) and  $\sim 700$  K ( $AmFe_2$ )  
Easy magnetization direction:  $\langle 111 \rangle$  (U,Np) or  $\langle 100 \rangle$  (Pu,Am)

# X-RAY ABSORPTION SPECTROSCOPY: SPIN-ORBIT SUM RULE

dipolar transitions

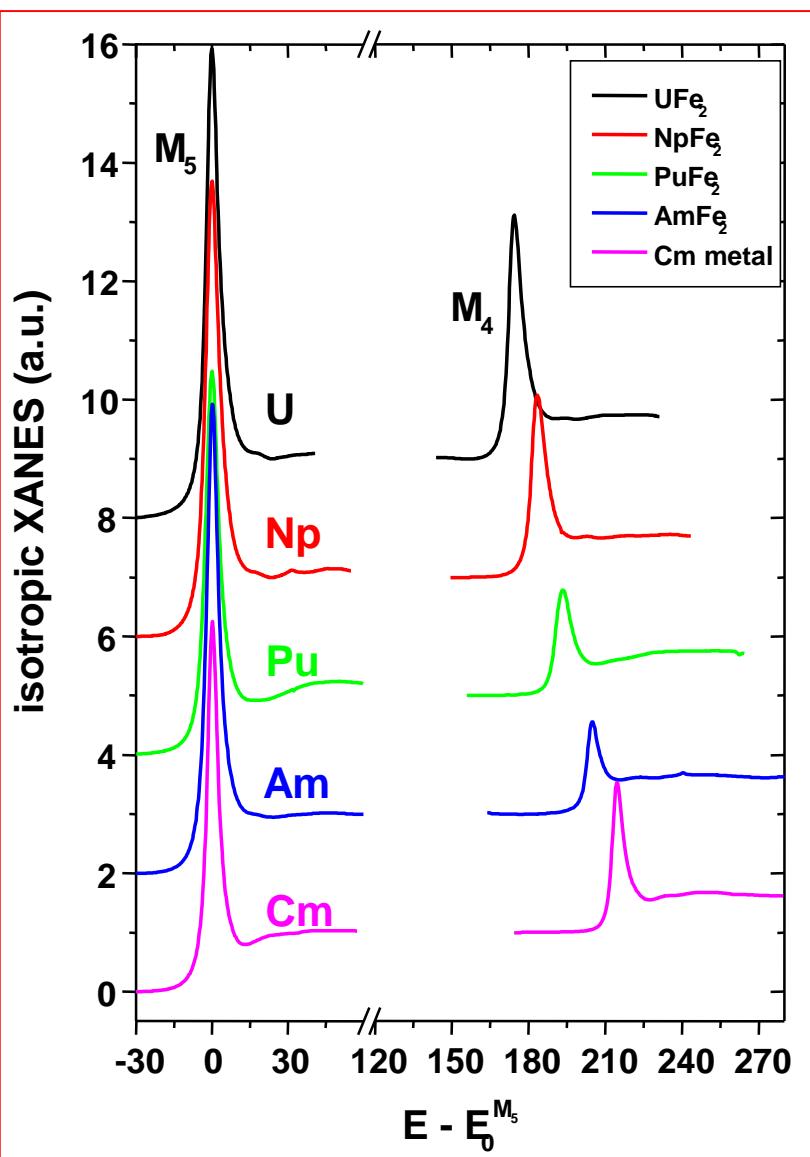
$$\Delta l = \pm 1; \Delta s = 0; \Delta j = 0; \pm 1$$



$$I_{M_5} + I_{M_4} \propto n_h^{5f}$$

$$B = \frac{I_{M_5}}{I_{M_5} + I_{M_4}} \quad \langle l.s \rangle = \frac{3}{2} n_h^{5f} \left( B - \frac{3}{5} \right) + \Delta$$

# $M_{4,5}$ X-RAY ABSORPTION SPECTRA OF ACTINIDES



Intensity of the  $M_5$  XANES spectra decreases from U to Cm

Intensity of the  $M_4$  XANES spectra decreases from U to Pu but increases for Cm

## SPIN-ORBIT SUM RULE:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle l.s. \rangle &= -\frac{3}{4}n_h(2I_{M5}-3I_{M4})/(I_{M5}+I_{M4}) + \Delta \\ &= \frac{3}{2} n_{7/2} - 2 n_{5/2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta &= -0.014, -0.010, -0.005, 0.000, +0.005, +0.015 \\ \text{for } n_e^{5f} &= 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 \end{aligned}$$

G. van der Laan, Phys. Rev. Lett. 93, 097401 (2004)

## APPLICATION OF THE SPIN-ORBIT SUM RULE

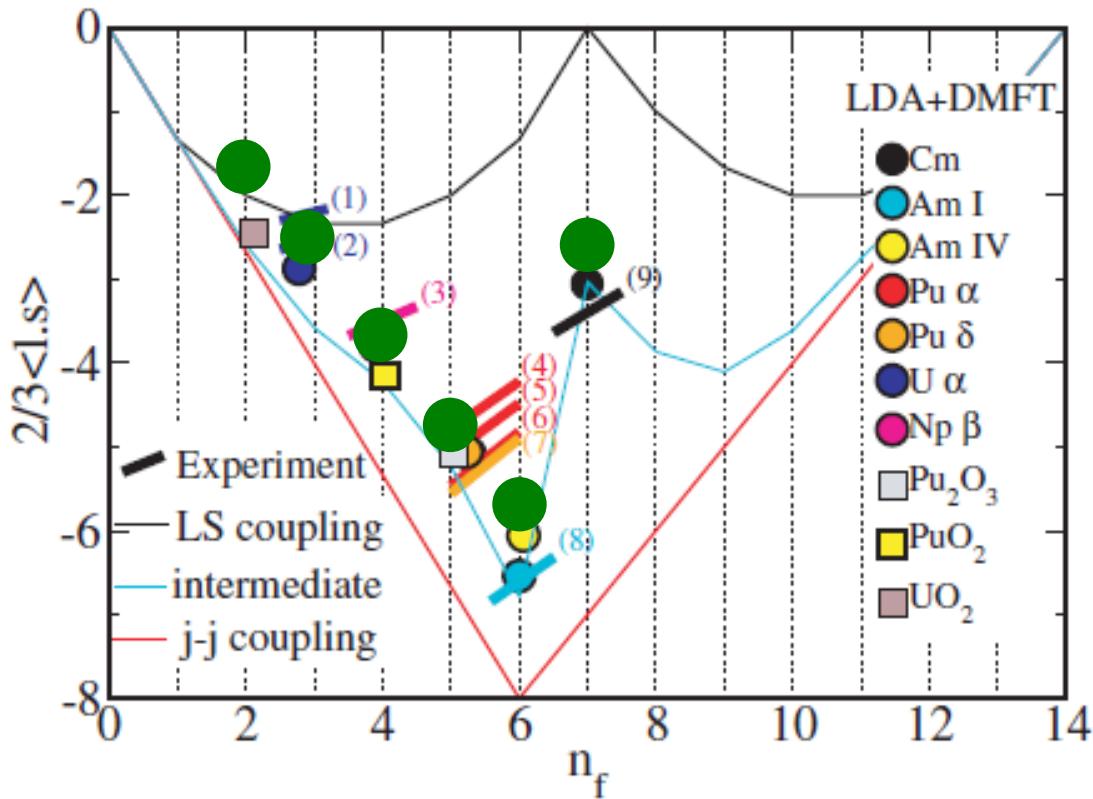
	B	$n_e^{5f}$	2/3<ls>	$n_{5/2}$	$n_{7/2}$
U <sup>4+</sup>	0.65	2	-1.67	1.57	0.43
$\alpha$ -U <sup>3+</sup>	0.687	3	-2.52	2.37	0.63
Np	0.742	4	-3.6	3.26	0.74
Pu	0.803	5	-4.56	4.10	0.90
Am	0.88	6	-5.56	4.95	1.05
Cm	0.735	7	-2.26	3.97	3.03

XANES spectra were measured on

- UO<sub>2</sub> for ionic state of U close to 5f<sup>2</sup> configuration
- U/Fe multilayers, UFe<sub>2</sub> for 5f<sup>3</sup> configuration
- NpFe<sub>2</sub> for 5f<sup>4</sup> configuration
- PuFe<sub>2</sub> for 5f<sup>5</sup> configuration
- AmFe<sub>2</sub> for 5f<sup>6</sup> configuration
- Cm metal for 5f<sup>7</sup> configuration

Uncertainty of a few %

# APPLICATION OF THE SPIN-ORBIT SUM RULE



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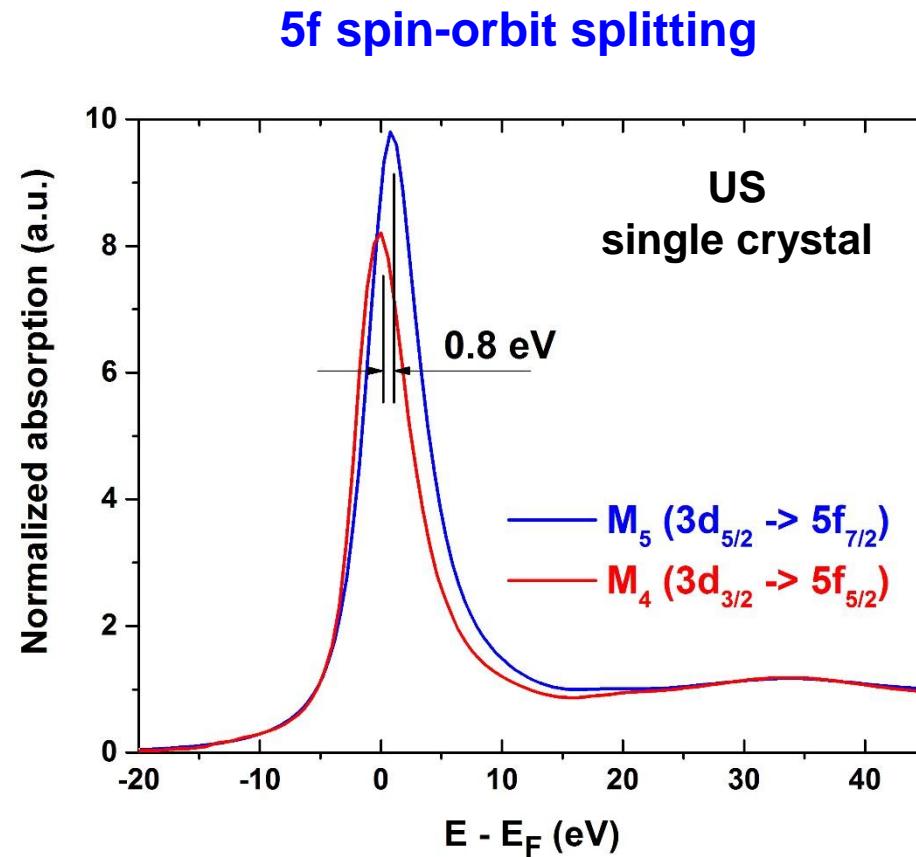
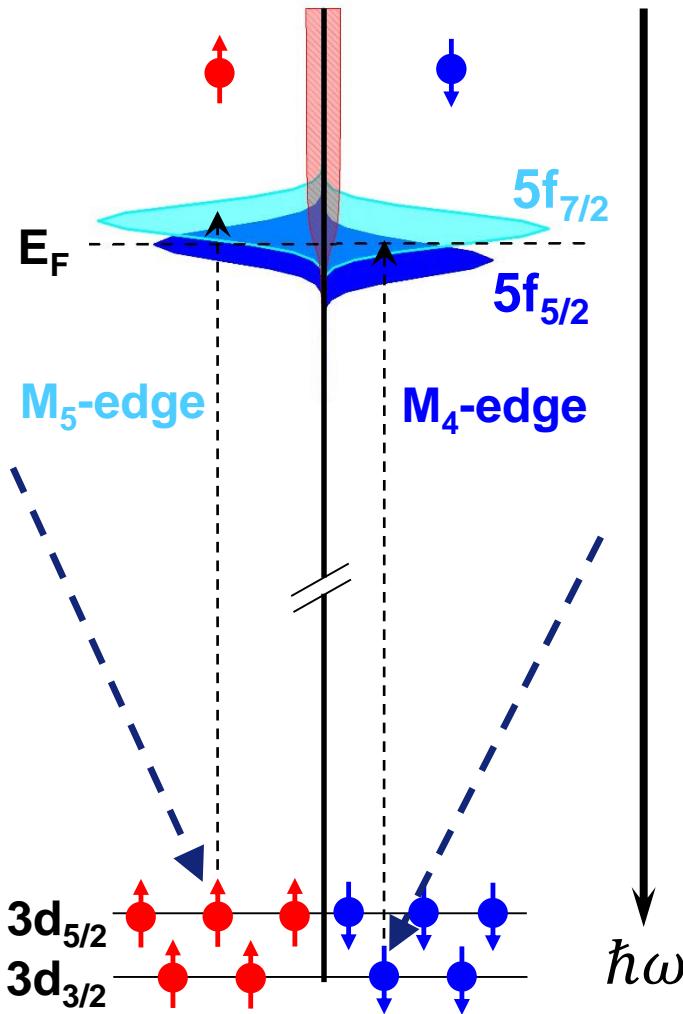
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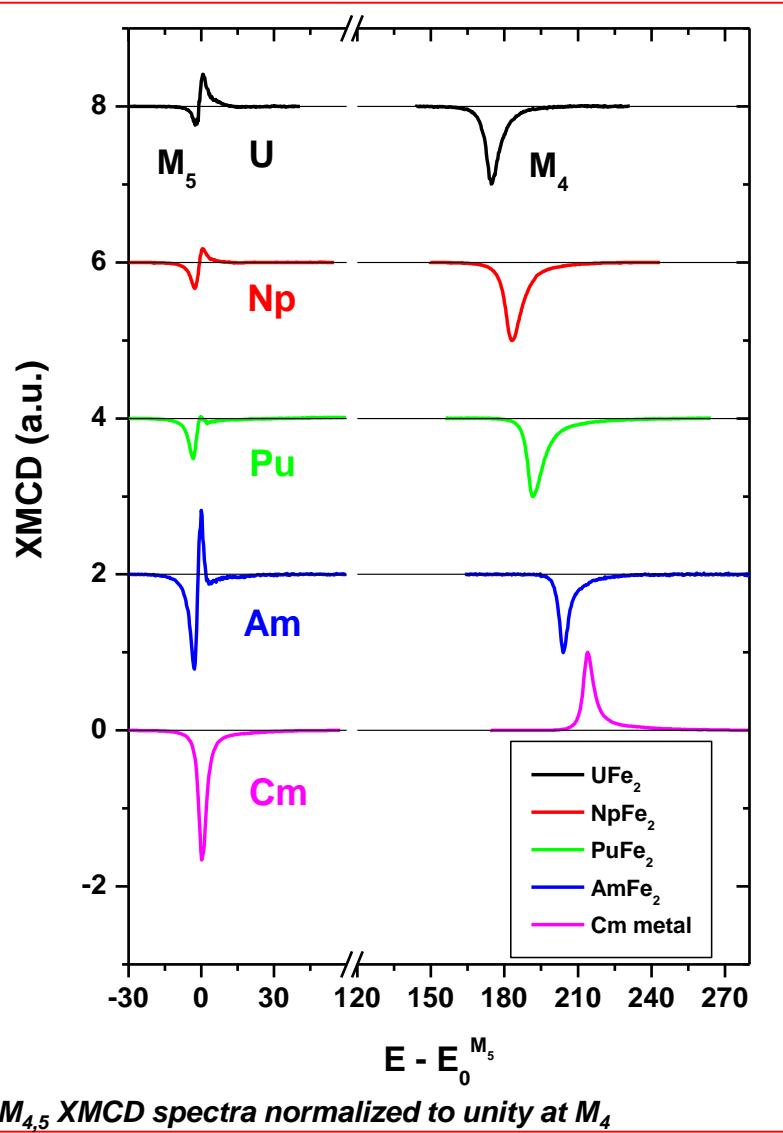
**5f states are well described with intermediate coupling scheme**

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dipolar transitions

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- XMCD spectral shape at the  $M_5$ -edge has an asymmetric S shape for light actinides (U-Am) but becomes **symmetric** for Curium metal
- XMCD spectral shape at the  $M_4$ -edge has slight asymmetry on high energy side and negative for light actinides but **changes the sign for Curium metal.**

# M<sub>4,5</sub> XMCD OF ACTINIDES

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X-ray magnetic circular dichroism at the U M<sub>4,5</sub> absorption edges of UFe<sub>2</sub>

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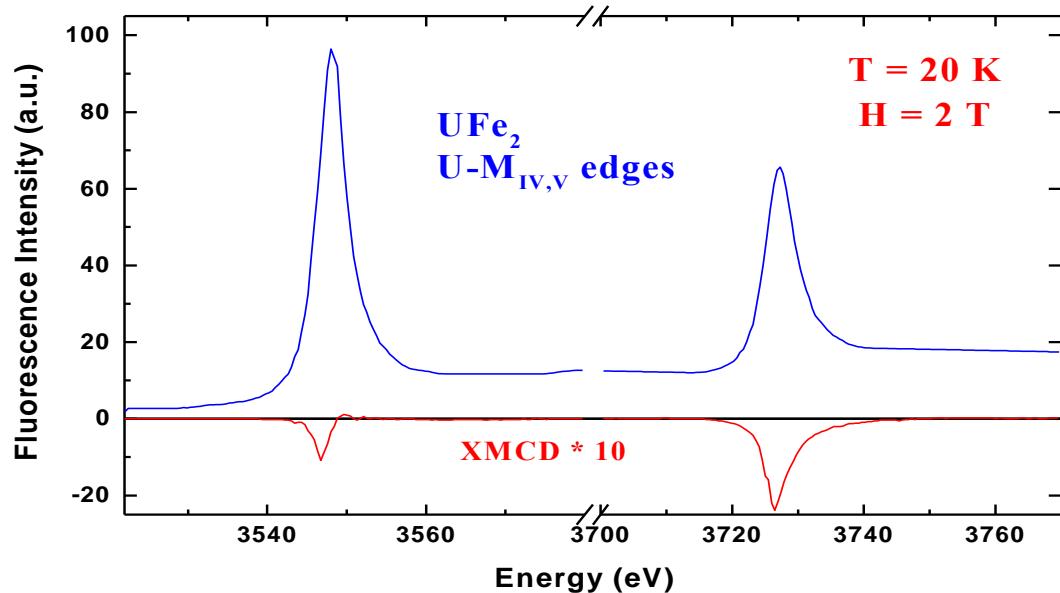
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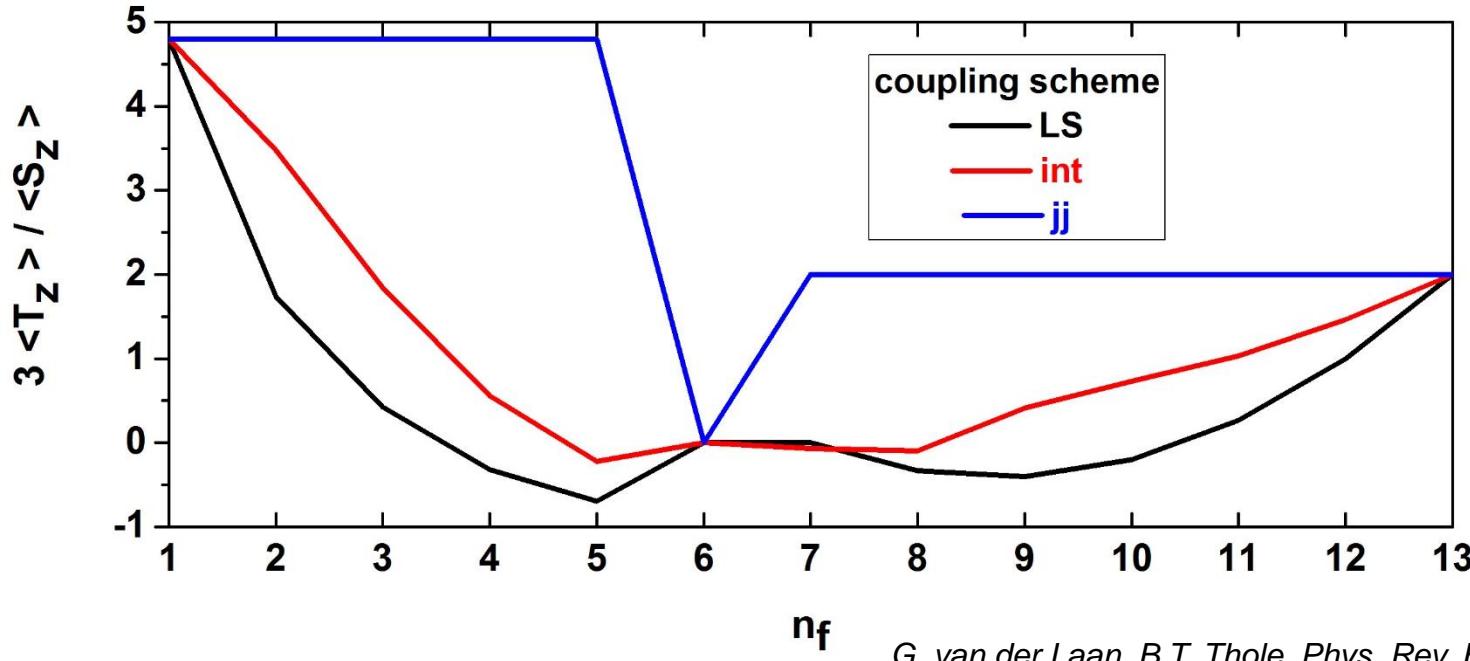
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ferromagnet with T<sub>c</sub> = 160 K  
 $\mu_{\text{Fe}} = 0.58 \mu_B$  and  $\mu_{\text{U}} \sim 0 \mu_B$



	$\mu_L (\mu B)$	$\mu_S (\mu B)$	$-\mu_L / \mu_S$
<b>X M C D</b>	<b><math>0.21 \pm 0.02</math></b>	<b><math>-0.20 \pm 0.02</math></b>	<b><math>0.97 \pm 0.05</math></b>
<b>Neutron</b>	<b><math>0.23 \pm 0.01</math></b>	<b><math>-0.22 \pm 0.02</math></b>	<b><math>1.05 \pm 0.05</math></b>
<b>Theory</b>	<b>0.47</b>	<b>-0.58</b>	<b>0.81</b>

$\langle T_z \rangle$  is a measure of a spin moment anisotropy  
induced either by a charge quadrupole moment or by the spin-orbit interaction



G. van der Laan, B.T. Thole, Phys. Rev. B 53, 14458 (1996)

**There are no any direct measurements of this term (so far !!!)**

One can estimate  $\langle T_z \rangle$  via combination of XMCD with  
Neutron scattering, magnetic Compton scattering or SQUID measurements

## Sum rules analysis:

$$\langle L_z \rangle = -0.44(5)$$

$$\langle S_z \rangle + 3\langle T_z \rangle = -0.135(15)$$

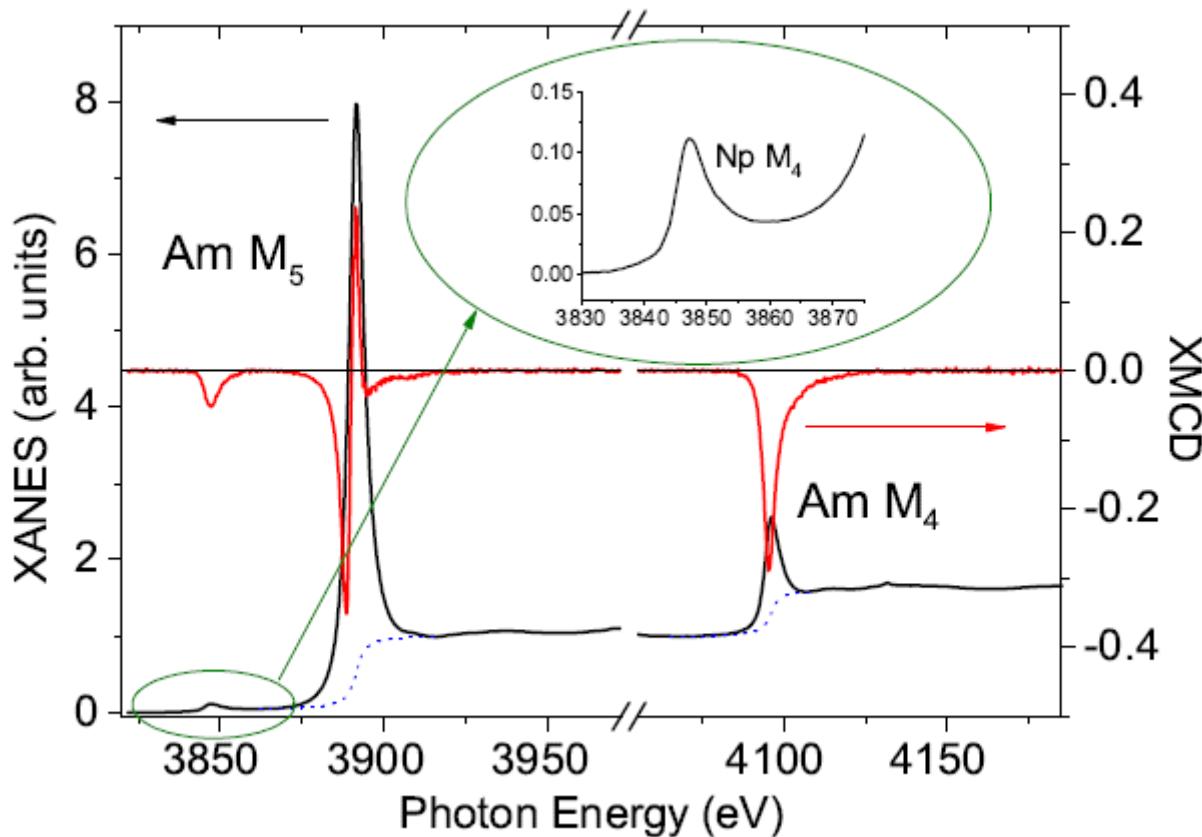
$$\langle J_z \rangle = \langle L_z \rangle + \langle S_z \rangle = 0$$



$$\mu_L = -\langle L_z \rangle = +0.44 \mu_B$$

$$\mu_S = -2\langle S_z \rangle = -0.88 \mu_B$$

$$3\langle T_z \rangle = -0.57$$



Calculated: (with  $H_{\text{int}} = 180$  T)

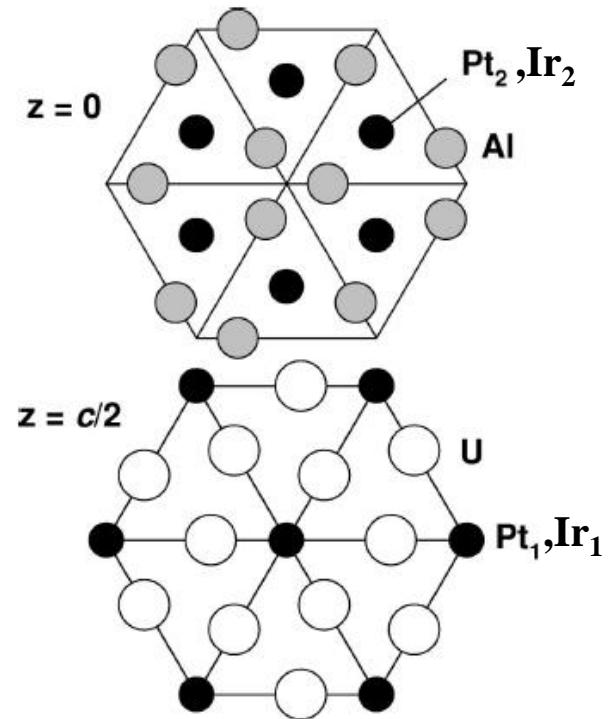
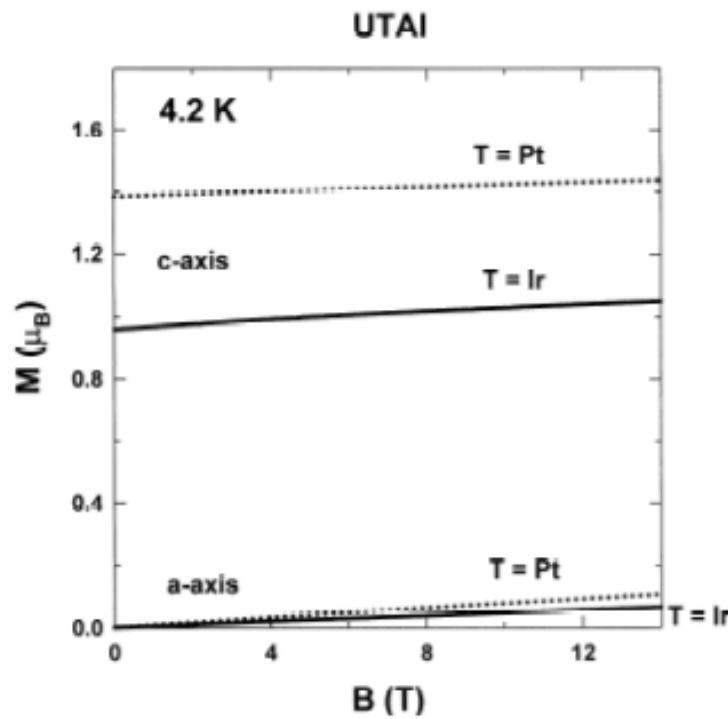
$$\mu_L = -\langle L_z \rangle = +0.47 \mu_B$$

$$\mu_S = -2\langle S_z \rangle = -0.94 \mu_B$$

$$3\langle T_z \rangle = -0.51$$

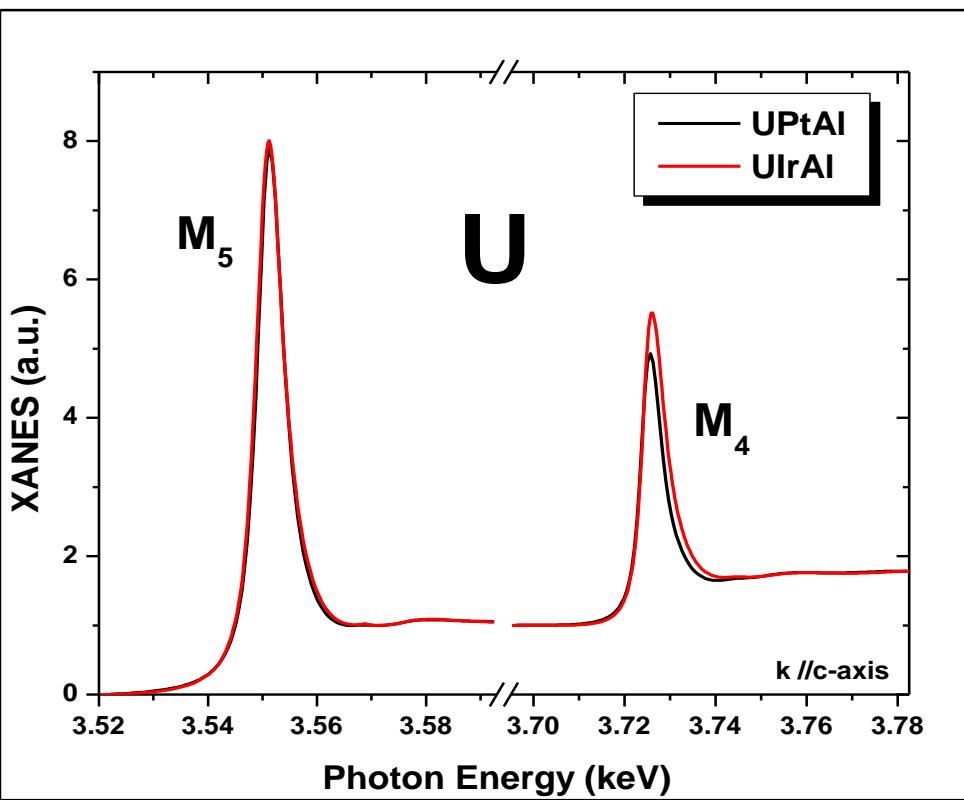
Both are ferromagnets

- UIrAl ( $\mu_{\text{TOT}} = 0.98 \mu_B$ )       $T_C = 64\text{K}$
- UPtAl ( $\mu_{\text{TOT}} = 1.38 \mu_B$ )       $T_C = 43\text{K}$



A.V. Andreev, J. Alloys Compd. 336, 77 (2001)

# U M<sub>4,5</sub> XANES SPECTRA IN UTX CRYSTALS



Isotropic spectra are similar at M5-edge

M4-edge XANES shows that there are more  $5f_{5/2}$  holes in UIrAl

Different expectation value of the  $5f$  spin-orbit interaction per hole

U valence state in UIrAl seems to be  $U^{4+}$  whereas in UPtAl it is  $U^{3+}$

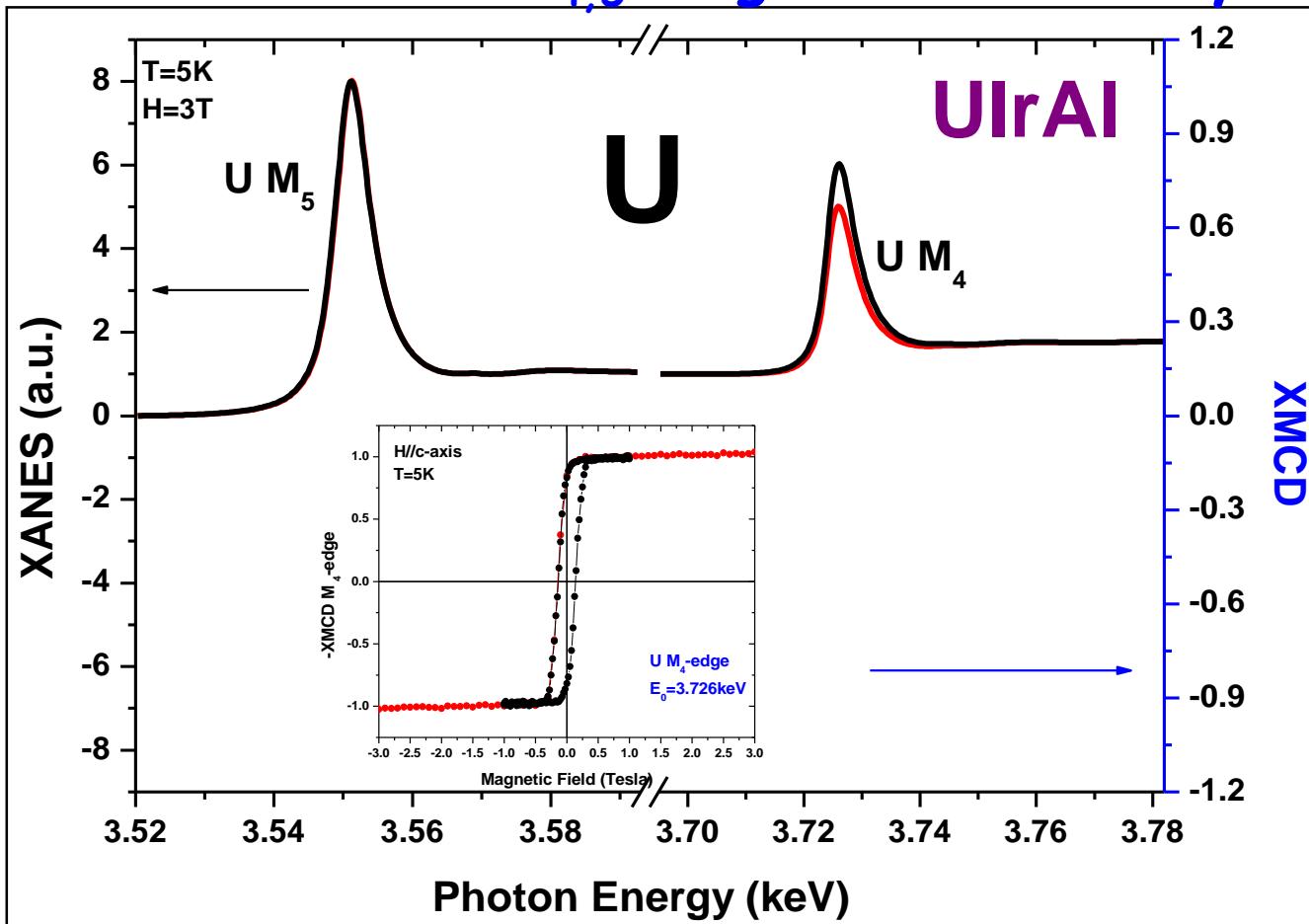
Exp. error bars ~%

	B	$2<\text{l.s.}>/(3.n_h^{5f}) - \Delta$	$n_e^{5f}$	$n_{5/2}$	$n_{7/2}$
UIrAl	0.654	-0.135	2 ( $U^{4+}$ )	1.62	0.38
			3 ( $U^{3+}$ )	1.96	1.04
UPtAl	0.692	-0.230	2 ( $U^{4+}$ )	2.11	-0.11
			3 ( $U^{3+}$ )	2.42	0.58

for  $n_e^{5f} = 2$   
 $\Delta = -0.014$

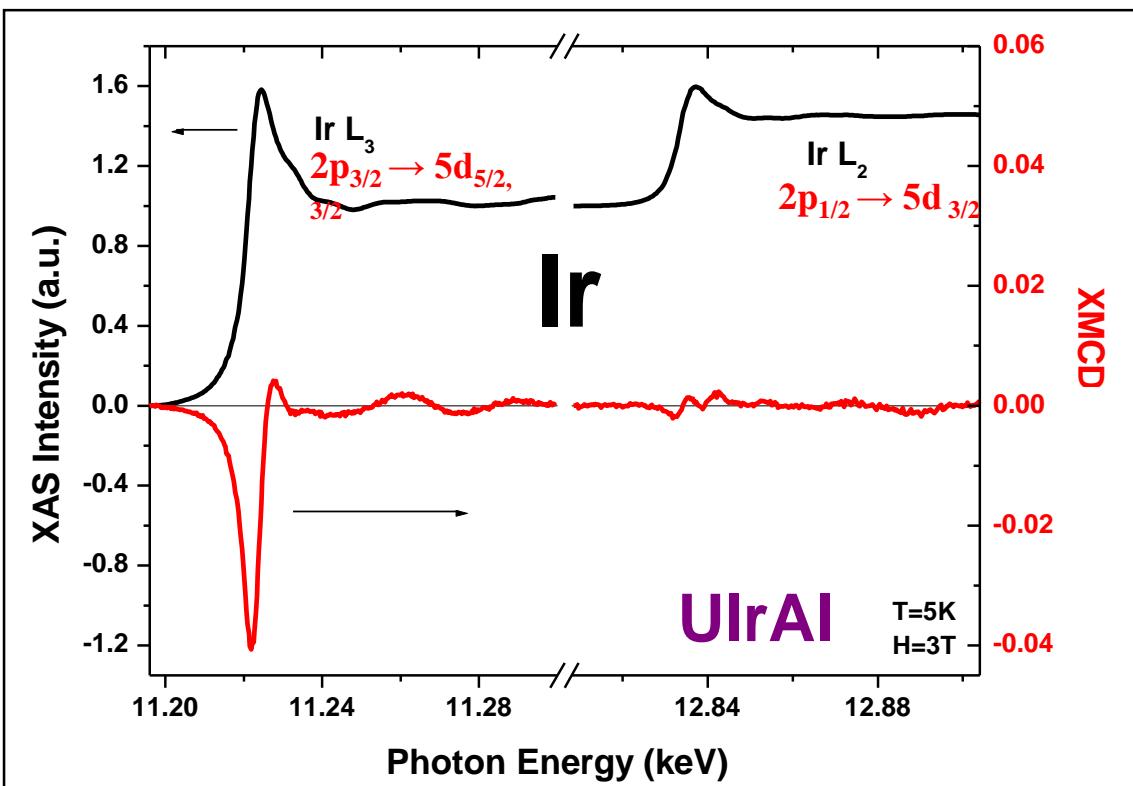
for  $n_e^{5f} = 3$   
 $\Delta = -0.010$

# XMCD at the U M<sub>4,5</sub>-edges in UIrAl crystal



- Strong XMCD at the M<sub>4</sub>-edge
- s-like shape XMCD at the M<sub>5</sub>-edge
- element specific magnetization curves recorded at U similar to the macroscopic one

# XMCD at the Ir $L_{2,3}$ -edges in UIrAl crystal



- Strong XMCD at the  $L_3$ -edge
- Small XMCD at the  $L_2$ -edge
- Large Ir 5d orbital moment aligned parallel to the spin

$\mu_L^{\text{Ir}}(5d)$ ( $\mu_B$ /atom)	$\mu_S^{\text{Ir}}(5d)$ ( $\mu_B$ /atom)	$\mu_{\text{tot}}^{\text{Ir}}(5d)$ ( $\mu_B$ /atom)	$\mu_L^{\text{Ir}}(5d)/ \mu_S^{\text{Ir}}(5d)$
0.028	0.048	0.076	0.60

- $M^U(5f) = 0.92 \mu_B / U \text{ atom for } n_f=2 \text{ (U}^{4+}\text{)}$
- $M^U(5f) = 0.62 \mu_B / U \text{ atom for } n_f=3 \text{ (U}^{3+}\text{)}$
- $M^{Ir}(5d) = 0.076 \mu_B / Ir \text{ atom (sum over two Ir sites)}$

$$M_{\text{total}} = M^U + M^{Ir} = 0.996 \mu_B$$

Al and U(6d) contributions are neglected

VSM Data:  $M_{\text{total}} = 0.98 \mu_B$  at 6 Tesla and 4.2K

# XMCD

is very powerful spectroscopy tool  
to unravel the microscopic origin of magnetism

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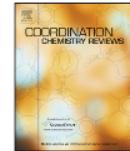
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