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- Bosons: Spin-waves and BEC in thin-film ferromagnets
  - spin-wave theory
  - interactions and BEC



-0.2 -0.25

0.6

0.4 ( k/πa 0.8



 Fermions: Spin fluctuation pairing and symmetry of order parameter in K<sub>x</sub>Fe<sub>2-y</sub>S

ξ<sub>v</sub>(k) [eV]

k\_=0

0.2

- Fe based superconductors
- spin-fluctuation theory
- spin-orbit coupling



# Spin-waves and BEC in thin-film ferromagnets

#### From textbook knowledge towards BEC of magnons

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# **1. Introduction: Spin-wave theory**

Heisenberg model



- determine ordered classical groundstate
  - ferromagnet

classical groundstate=quantum groundstate

anti-ferromagnet
 (2 sublattices, Néel groundstate)
 AK, Hasselmann, Kopietz, ('07)

AK, Sauli, Hasselmann, Kopietz, ('08)

 triangular anti-ferromagnet (3 sublattices, frustration)

Chernychev, Zhitomirsky ('09) Veillette *et al.* ('05) AK, *et al.* ('11)







# 1. Spin wave theory

 expand in terms of bosons (1/S expansion), Holstein-Primakoff transformation





Holstein, Primakoff, Phys. Rev. 58, 1098 (1940)

determine properties of resulting interacting theory of bosons

$$H = \sum_{\vec{k}} E_{\vec{k}} b_{\vec{k}}^{\dagger} b_{\vec{k}} + \sum_{\vec{k}_1, \vec{k}_2, \vec{k}_3} \Gamma^3(\vec{k}_1, \vec{k}_2, \vec{k}_3) b_{\vec{k}_1}^{\dagger} b_{\vec{k}_2} b_{\vec{k}_3} + \sum_{1, 2, 3, 4} \Gamma^4(1, 2; 3, 4) b_1^{\dagger} b_2^{\dagger} b_3 b_4 + .$$

### 1. Spin wave theory: General results

ferromagnet



 $E_{\vec{k}} = h + c^2 k^2$ 

 $\approx c^2 k^2$ 

 $\approx (mh_ch + c_+^2k^2)^{1/2}$ 

 $\approx c |k|$ 

 $pprox c_{-} |k|$ 

h

 $E_{\pi}$ 

- quadratic excitation spectrum
- vanishing interaction vertices  $\Gamma^4 \sim -(\vec{k}_1 \cdot \vec{k}_2 + \vec{k}_3 \cdot \vec{k}_4)$
- antiferromagnet
  - linear spectrum (Goldstone mode)



- two modes in magnetic field (2 sublattices)
- divergent interaction vertices

 $k_2$ 

$$\Gamma^4 \sim \sqrt{\frac{|\vec{k}_1||\vec{k}_2|}{|\vec{k}_3||\vec{k}_4|}} \left(1 \pm \frac{\vec{k}_1 \cdot \vec{k}_1}{|\vec{k}_1||}\right)$$

# 2.1 Spin-wave theory for thin film ferromagnets

#### Motivation: Experiments on YIG

#### Crystal structure:

space group: **la3d** Y: 24(c) white Fe: 24(d) green Fe: 16(a) brown O: 96(h) red Gilleo *et al.* '58 Magnetic system: 40 magnetic ions in elementary cell 40 magnetic bands

Elastic system: 160 atoms in elementary cell 3x160 phonon bands



# low spin wave damping good experimental control

Observation of the occupation number using microwave antennas or Brillouin Light Scattering (BLS) Sandweg, AK, *et al.*, Rev. Sci. Instrum. **81**, 073902 (2010)

BEC of magnons at room temperature! Demokritov *et al.* Nature **443**, 430 (2006)



Parametric pumping of magnons at high k-vectors creates magnetic excitations

Question: Time evolution of magnons: Nonequilibrium physics of interacting quasiparticles

### 2.1 Simplifications to relevant physical properties

dipole-dipole

interactions

 $-\frac{1}{2}\sum_{i}\sum_{j\neq i}\frac{\mu^2}{|\mathbf{r}_{ij}|^3}\left[3(\mathbf{S}_i\cdot\hat{\mathbf{r}}_{ij})(\mathbf{S}_j\cdot\hat{\mathbf{r}}_{ij})-\mathbf{S}_i\right]$ 

#### crystal structure of YIG microscopic Hamiltonian $\sim M_{s}$ **16***a*: Fe 24c: Y 24*d*: Fe **96h: O** quantum spin S ferromagnet $\hat{H}_{\text{mag}} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} J_{ij} \mathsf{S}_i \cdot \mathsf{S}_j - h \sum_i S_i^z$

AK, Sauli, Bartosch, Kopietz ('09)

# **2.2 Linear spin-wave theory**

- Geometry (thin film)
- Numerical approach
  - Ewald summation technique
  - Diagonalization of 2N x 2N matrix  $H_2 =$
- Analytic approaches
  - Approximation for lowest mode
  - Bogoliubov transformation

$$E_{\vec{k}} = \sqrt{[h + \rho_{\text{ex}}\vec{k}^2 + \Delta(1 - f_{\vec{k}})\sin^2\Theta_{\vec{k}}][h + \rho_{\text{ex}}\vec{k}^2 + \Delta f_{\vec{k}}]} \Delta = 4\pi\mu M_S$$

No dipolar interaction: known result

$$E_{\vec{k}} = h + \rho_{\rm ex} \vec{k}^2 \qquad \Delta = 0$$



$$= \left( \begin{array}{cc} \mathsf{A}_{\vec{k}} & \mathsf{B}_{\vec{k}} \\ \mathsf{B}_{-\vec{k}}^* & -\mathsf{A}_{-\vec{k}}^T \end{array} \right)$$

structure factor

 $E_{\vec{k}} \approx h + c^2 k^2$ 

# 2.3 Results for magnon spectra

Parallel mode





5.5

Minimum for BEC Demokritov *et al.* Nature ('06)



$$d = 400a \approx 0.5 \mu \mathrm{m}$$
  
 $N = 400$   
 $H_e = 700 \mathrm{Oe}$ 

$$E_0 = \sqrt{h(h + 4\pi\mu M_s)}$$

Hybridization: surface mode



#### Perpendicular mode





# **2.4 Comparison to experiments**

- Excitation and detection of spinwaves using Brillouin light scattering spectroscopy (BLS)  $\Theta_{\vec{k}} = 90^{\circ}$
- Side questions
  - excitation efficiency for "parametric pumping" Serga, AK, et al. ('12)
  - Time-dependent spin-wave theory Rückriegel, AK, Kopietz ('12)
  - intrinsic Damping

Chernychev ('12)





# 2.5 BEC at finite momentum

- Hamiltonian (after removing time dependence)  $H_{2} = \sum_{\vec{k}} \epsilon_{\vec{k}} b_{\vec{k}}^{\dagger} b_{\vec{k}} + \frac{1}{2} \sum \left(\gamma b^{\dagger} b^{\dagger} + \gamma^{*} b b\right)$ • new features for YIG system - condensate at finite wave-vectors  $\phi_{k} = \delta_{k,k_{\min}} \phi_{0}$ 
  - possible 2 condensates  $\epsilon_{\vec{k}} = \epsilon_{-\vec{k}}$

$$\phi_k = \delta_{k,k_{\min}}\phi_0^+ + \delta_{k,-k_{\min}}\phi_0^-$$

explicitly symmetry breaking term

Hick, Sauli, AK, Kopietz ('10)



parallel pumping



# 2.5 Gross-Pitaevskii equation

two component BEC does not solve GPE

 $\phi_{\mathsf{k}}^{\sigma} = \delta_{\mathsf{k},\mathsf{q}}\psi_{n}^{\sigma} + \delta_{\mathsf{k},-\mathsf{q}}\psi_{n}^{\sigma}$ 

- interactions provoke condensation at integer multiples of  $\vec{k}_{\min}$   $\phi_{k}^{\sigma} = \sqrt{N} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta_{k,nq} \psi_{n}^{\sigma}$
- condensate density

 $\rho(\mathbf{r}) = |\phi^{a}(\mathbf{r})|^{2}$  $= 4\sum |\psi_{n}|^{2}\cos^{2}(n\mathbf{q}\cdot\mathbf{r})$ 

 Interaction vertices from analytical approach

 $H_4 \sim \Gamma^{(2,2)} b^{\dagger} b^{\dagger} b b + \Gamma^{(3,1)} b^{\dagger} b b b + \text{h.c.}$ 

 $\Gamma^{(2,2)}\sim -Jk^2$  ferromagnetic magnons



### 2.6 Results BEC in YIG

discrete Gross-Pitaevskii equation

 $+\frac{1}{3!}$   $\sum$ 

$$-(\epsilon_{nq} - \mu)\psi_{n}^{\bar{\sigma}} - \gamma_{n}\psi_{n}^{\sigma} = \frac{1}{2}\sum_{n_{1}n_{2}}\sum_{\sigma_{1}\sigma_{2}}\delta_{n,n_{1}+n_{2}}V_{nn_{1}n_{2}}^{\sigma\sigma_{1}\sigma_{2}}\psi_{n_{1}}^{\sigma_{1}}\psi_{n_{2}}^{\sigma_{2}}$$

$$\sum \delta_{n,n_1+n_2+n_3} U_{nn_1n_2n_3}^{\sigma\sigma_1\sigma_2\sigma_3} \psi_{n_1}^{\sigma_1}\psi_{n_2}^{\sigma_2}\psi_{n_3}^{\sigma_3}$$



# 3 Summary

- description of magnetic insulators: Spin-wave theory
- development of interacting spin-wave theory with dipole dipole interactions
- interesting properties of the energy dispersion
- interactions: possible
   condensation of bosons at finite wave-vectors and integer multiples



Esses spins são loucos!

# Spin fluctuation pairing and symmetry of order parameter in $K_x Fe_{2-y} Se_2$

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### A) Fe based superconductors

discovery: LaO<sub>1-x</sub>F<sub>x</sub>FeAs T<sub>c</sub>=26K

Kamihara *et al.* JACS 2006



### A.1 Fe based superconductors: Materials

Materials



Тс

28 K (55 K for Sm)

38 K

18 K



k\_/π k\_/π к\_ 2 10 Fermi Z surface 0.5 0.5 0.5 (DFT) k<sub>v</sub>/π 0.5 0.5 k<sub>x</sub>/π 0.5 0 k<sub>v</sub>/π k /π k<sub>v</sub>/π 0 0 k /π

# A.2 Open questions (many)

- here we concentrate on
  - symmetry of the order parameter



 realistic models that capture main parameters of materials under investigation

# $B.1 K_x Fe_{2-y} Se_2$

- Experimentally
  - Different phases
    - 245 vacancy phase Ye et al. PRL (2011)
    - Pure SC phases K<sub>0.6</sub>Fe<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>2</sub>, K<sub>0.3</sub>Fe<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>2</sub>? Ying *et al.* JACS (2013)
  - Absence of hole pocket?
  - Evidence for fully gapped SC state
    - Specific heat Zeng et al. (2011)
    - ARPES Mou et al. (2011)
    - Spin-lattice relaxation in NMR Ma et al. (2011)







# B.2 Band structure: Tight binding model

- 10 orbital, *I4/mmm* for K-122
- Wannier projection of DFT results



# **B.2 Interactions**



# B.3 Spin fluctuation mediated pair scattering

Susceptibility in normal state (orbital resolved)

$$\chi^{0}_{\ell_{1}\ell_{2}\ell_{3}\ell_{4}}(q) = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{k,\mu\nu} M^{\mu\nu}_{\ell_{1}\ell_{2}\ell_{3}\ell_{4}}(\mathbf{k},\mathbf{q})G^{\mu}(\mathbf{k}+q)G^{\nu}(\mathbf{k})$$
periodic
with 1 Fe
and the period of the period of

Interactions: RPA approximation

$$\chi^{\text{RPA}}_{0\ell_1\ell_2\ell_3\ell_4}(q) = \frac{\chi_0}{1 - U^s\chi_0} \quad \chi^{\text{RPA}}_{1\ell_1\ell_2\ell_3\ell_4}(q) = \frac{\chi_0}{1 + U^c\chi_0}$$

Q=(1.65,0.35) pi

# B.4 Spin fluctuation mediated pair scattering

Scattering vertex in singlet channel



# B.5 Gap equation

 Decompose gap function into magnitude and dimensionless symmetry function



- Pairing strength functional
- variation leads to eigenvalue equation

$$\lambda_{\alpha}g_{\alpha}(k) = -\sum_{i} \oint_{C_{j}} \frac{dk'}{(2\pi)^{2}v_{F}(k')} \Gamma_{ij}(k,k')g_{\alpha}(k')$$

### **B.5 Gapfunction**

#### leading instabilities (n=6.25)



# B.5 Gapfunction doping dependence

underdoped case (n=6.12)



overdoped case (n=6.25)



# C.1 Hybridization effects

• Transition from d to s-wave Khodas, Chubukov PRL (2012)



# C.2 Hybridization in K<sub>x</sub>Fe<sub>2-y</sub>Se<sub>2</sub>



# C.3 Gapfunction with spin-orbit coupling

 weakening of superconducting instability (all symmetries)



# **D** Summary

- $K_x Fe_{2-y} Se_2$  different from other Fe based SC
- missing hole-pocket makes s-wave instability less likely (spin-fluctutation theory), dominant d<sub>x2-v2</sub> wave symmetry
- quasinodes (vertical or horizontal)
- small hybridization regime also with spin-orbit coupling
- differences to experimental results
  - small effect of Z-centrered hole pockets
  - quasinodal behavior makes detection difficult
  - missing ingredients as correlations or deviations from normalstate properties due to doping / impurities



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