Absorção de raios-X aplicada ao estudo da Supercondutividade a altas temperaturas nos Pnictídeos de Fe

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High-Tc superconductivity in Fe-based oxypnictides



Initial discovery: $T_c = 28$ K in

F-doped LaOFeAs

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Single crystals !!



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Pressure-induced superconductivity in undoped compounds !!



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1 - Is there a common structural feature linking the "hole-doped", "electron-doped", and pressureinduced superconductivity in $BaFe_2As_2$?

2 - What is the nature of doping in this system in real space ? Is there an actual charge transfer to the Fe ions ?

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Similarities between structural distortions under pressure and chemical doping in superconducting BaFe₂As₂

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Neutron diffraction indicates Fe-As bond is rigid and superconductivity is apparently regulated by a tuning of the As-Fe-As angle



However, synchrotron x-ray diffraction yield different results...



Jorgensen & Hansen, Eur. Phys. J. B 78, 411 (2010).

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Also, the "electron-doped" Co-substituted system shows maximum Tc at As-Fe-As angles far away of the ideal tetrahedral value of 109.5°

Espectroscopia de Absorção de Raios-X



Incident Energy (eV)

O coeficiente de absorção é proporcional à probabilidade do campo eletromagnético da luz (uma perturbação) induzir uma transição eletrônica. O cálculo é feito com teoria de perturbação dependente do tempo, com o resultado:

$$\mu = 4N_0 \pi^2 e^2(\omega/c) |\langle f | H | i \rangle|^2 \rho(E_f)$$

$$|\langle f | H | i \rangle|^2 \longrightarrow \text{EXAFS}$$

 $\rho(E_f) \longrightarrow XANES$

EXAFS:



EXAFS in the $BaFe_2As_2$ system



- The Fe-As bond distance controls the chemical pressure on Fe, and should be sensitive to the Fe valency and spin state.

- EXAFS in the As K-edge is an ideally suited technique to investigate the Fe-As bond.

- As-Fe first shell widely separated from the As-Ba second shell.

- As K-edge: 11.865 keV \rightarrow transmission experiments in thin single crystals possible.

- Local structure may deviate from the crystal structure for doped samples.

Our samples:







XAFS-2 Beamline of LNLS





TABLE I: Refined As-M (M =Fe,Co) distances and Debye-Waller factors obtained from the fits of x-ray absorption fine structure data at the As K-edge at ambient pressure. Errors given in parentheses are statistical only, and are defined as the standard deviation of the results obtained from repeated measurements under identical conditions.

	T = 2 K	T = 30 K	$T = 298 \mathrm{K}$
$BaFe_2As_2$			
d(As-Fe) (Å)	2.3915(12)	2.3914(7)	2.3985(14)
σ^2 (Å 2)	0.00266(12)	0.00250(7)	0.00465(11)
$Ba[Fe_{0.937}Co_{0.063}]_2As_2$			
d[As-(Fe,Co)] (Å)	2.3833(12)	2.3838(9)	2.3951(12)
σ^2 (Å ²)	0.00262(12)	0.00268(9)	0.00466(9)
$\mathrm{Ba}_{0.85}\mathrm{K}_{0.15}\mathrm{Fe}_{2}\mathrm{As}_{2}$			
d(As-Fe) (Å)	2.3865(15)	2.3900(12)	2.3955(9)
σ^2 (Å 2)	0.00242(15)	0.0248(12)	0.00466(7)







Neutrons, S.A.J. Kimber et al., Nature Mater. 8, 471 (2009).

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Pressure and chemical substitution effects in the local atomic structure of BaFe₂As₂

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Thus, Co-substitution, K-substitution, and applied pressures induce at least one common structural feature: <u>a contraction of the Fe-As</u> <u>bond</u> !!

Can it be related to the emergence of superconductivity?

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Effect of doping and pressure on magnetism and lattice structure of iron-based superconductors

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Using first-principles calculations, we analyze structural and magnetic trends as a function of charge doping and pressure in BaFe₂As₂, and compare to experimentally established facts. We find that density-functional theory, while accurately reproducing the structural and magnetic ordering at ambient pressure, fails to reproduce some structural trends as pressure is increased. Most notably, the Fe-As bond length which is a gauge of the magnitude of the magnetic moment, μ , is rigid in experiment but soft in calculation, indicating residual local Coulomb interactions. By calculating the magnitude of the magnetic ordering energy, we show that the disruption of magnetic order as a function of pressure or doping can be qualitatively reproduced but that in calculation, it is achieved through diminishment of $|\mu|$, and therefore likely does not reflect the same physics as detected in experiment. We also find that the strength of the stripe order as a function of doping is strongly site dependent: magnetism decreases monotonically with the number of electrons doped at the Fe site but increases monotonically with the number of electrons doped at the Ba site. Intraplanar magnetic ordering energy (the difference between checkerboard and stripe orderings) and interplanar coupling both follow a similar trend.

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Thus...

The observed contraction in the Fe-As distance upon doping and pressure is likely related to a reduction of the Fe local moments.

BTW, The local moments is not the same thing as the ordered AFM moments (extracted, e.g., by neutron diffraction).

Contraction weakens the antiferromagnetic ground state and alters the balance with respect to superconductivity, favoring the latter.

EXAFS may be the most accurate technique to access the Fe-As distances, and therefore the behavior of the Fe moments !

Besides bond distance control, is there "electronic tuning"?



Common sense say "yes", but...

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Where Are the Extra d Electrons in Transition-Metal-Substituted Iron Pnictides?

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Transition-metal substitution in Fe pnictides leading to superconductivity is usually interpreted in terms of carrier doping to the system. We report on a density functional calculation of the local substitute electron density and demonstrate that substitutions like Co and Ni for Fe do not carrier dope but rather are isovalent to Fe. We find that the extra *d* electrons for Co and Ni are almost totally located within the muffin-tin sphere of the substituted site. We suggest that Co and Ni act more like random scatterers scrambling momentum space and washing out parts of the Fermi surface.

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Simulations indicate that electron doping of the FeAs layers should shift significantly the 1s \rightarrow 4p peaks (C-F) to lower energies





No shift of any feature was observed by Co-substitution NO ELECTRON DOPING ! PRL 107, 267402 (2011)

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Co-Substitution Effects on the Fe Valence in the BaFe₂As₂ Superconducting Compound: A Study of Hard X-Ray Absorption Spectroscopy

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<u>Summary and conclusions</u>

• Successful XAS measurements in BaFe₂As₂ at LNLS,

under doping, temperature, pressure, in the XANES and EXAFS regions.

- Both K and Co doping induce a slight Fe-As bond compression.
- Significant Fe-As bond compressibility.
- Reduction of Fe-As bond distance likely related to a decrease of the Fe local moments, favoring superconductivity against magnetic order.
- Co-substitution does not promote charge tranfer to the Fe ions.

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