

TO THE THEORY OF MAGNETIC PROPERTIES OF HIGH – TEMPERATURE SUPERCONDUCTORS

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Magnetic properties and energetic spectrum of high – temperature superconductors (HTSC) with structure La_2CuO_4 are considered. The value of critic field strength is obtained.

A number of high-temperature superconductors (HTSC) are magnet-ordered crystals [1-13]. Magnetic properties of such crystals can play an important role pairing mechanism [2,4-8]. Therefore investigations of HTSC properties are of certain interest. Antiferromagnetic HTSC with La_2CuO_4 structure are subject of our invert. La_2CuO_4 is the ancestor of metal-oxide HTSC series and quasi-two-dimensional four-sublattice antiferromagnetic.

A number of papers are dedicated to theoretical investigation of given problem (1-3, 9-12). In (1-3, 9) there have been considered homogenous case ($\vec{k}=0$, k = wave vector). In (9-12) case $\vec{k} \neq 0$ is treated but dispersion of magnon

spectrum is treated in the absence of external magnetic field. In (11) La_2CuO_4 is given as two-sublattice system but such model can't adequately describe the pattern of magnetic properties of four- sublattice system as La_2CuO_4 .

This paper deals with energy spectrum, thermodynamic and high-frequency properties of antiferromagnetic HTSC with La_2CuO_4 structure by method of Green function at ($\vec{k} \neq 0$ and $H \neq 0$ (H - external constant magnetic field). Quantum-mechanical Hamiltonian of system in question is chosen as:

$$H_1 = J_1 \sum_{m,m'} [\mu_1 (S_{mx} S_{m'x} + S_{my} S_{m'y}) + S_{mz} S_{m'z}] + J_2 \sum_{m1r} [\eta_2 (S_{mx} S_{rx} + S_{my} S_{ry}) + S_{mz} S_{rz}] - d \sum_{m1m'} (S_{my} S_{m'z} - S_{mz} S_{m'y}) - H \sum_r S_{ry} \quad (1)$$

where $J_1 > 0$ and J_2 – parameters of exchange interaction inside and between the layers, respectively ($J_1 \gg |J_2|$ due to La_2CuO_4 has quasi-two-dimensional magnetic structure as it is mentioned) d – Dzyaloshinsky parameter giving rise deviation of spins from layer plain on angle θ , S – spin operator; η_1, η_2 are characterized anisotropy of exchange parameters ($0 \leq \eta_1, \eta_2 \leq 1$), H -external constant magnetic field in units of $g\mu_B$ (g -factor Lande, μ_B -Bors magneton), indexes m, m' refer to one layer, and indexes m, r - to different layers. As it shown from figure, $(m, m') \equiv (1,2), (3,4)$; $(m, r) \equiv (1,3), (1,4), (2,3), (2,4)$. For spin pairs (1,3) and (2,4)- $J_2 > 0$, but for spin pairs (1,4) and (2,3) $J_2 < 0$.

In intrinsic coordinate system of sublattices (15), gamiltonian (1), expressed as bose – operators appears as:

$$H = \sum_{n=0}^n H_n \quad (2)$$

where H_n - value of n – order with respect to bose – operators. According to requirements of main state $H_1=0$, terues H_3 and H_4 play a role in kinetics and we don't consider them here.

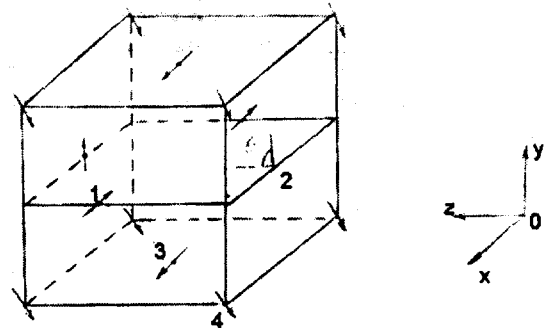


Fig. Magnetic structure of the crystal La_2CO_4

H_0 - Hamiltonian of main state and such that $\sigma H_0 / \sigma \theta = 0$ for equilibrium value of angle θ we have:

$$\text{tg } \theta = \frac{d}{J_1(1 + \eta_1) + 2J_2} \quad (3)$$

It is shown from (3) – that $\theta=0$ at $d=0$ and magnetic field H don't appear in this expression. So at $H \parallel y$ magnetic field does not influence on main state. Frequencies of spin waves appears as:

$$\omega_{1,2}(k) = \left\{ (\Gamma + 2\beta_1)(\Gamma - 2\alpha_1) + h^2 \pm 2\sqrt{h^2(\Gamma - \alpha_1 + \beta_1)^2 + 4\alpha_2^2[(\Gamma + 2\beta_1)^2 - h^2]} \right\}^{1/2} \quad (4)$$

$$\omega_{3,4}(k) = \left\{ (\Gamma + 2\alpha_1)(\Gamma - 2\beta_1) + h^2 \pm 2\sqrt{h^2(\Gamma + \alpha_1 + \beta_1)^2 + \beta_2^2[(\Gamma + 2\alpha_1)^2 - h^2]} \right\}^{1/2} \quad (5)$$

where $\alpha_i = \beta_i \cos^2 \theta$ ($i=1,2$),

$$\Gamma = \frac{1}{2} (J_1 + J_2) \cos^2 \theta + d \sin \theta \cos \theta;$$

$$\beta_I = \frac{1}{4} \eta_i J_i \quad (I=1,2)$$

It's easy to check that ω_1, ω_3 are the optical branches, but ω_2, ω_4 - acoustic branches.

In [12], where case $H=0$ is considered, it was established, that:

- (1) - at $J_2=0, \alpha \neq 0$ $\omega_1=\omega_2, \omega_3=\omega_4$ takes place
- (2) - at $J_2 \neq 0, \alpha=0$ $\omega_1=\omega_3, \omega_2=\omega_4$ takes place
- (3) - at $J_2=\alpha=0$ $\omega_1=\omega_2=\omega_3=\omega_4$ takes place

As it is shown, in cases (1) and (2) there have been taken place two-fold degeneracy, but in case (3) - four-fold degeneracy. But in case we consider, only in one case exactly at $J_2=\alpha=0$ we have degeneration: $\omega_1=\omega_3, \omega_2=\omega_4$. This result coincides in case (2) at $H=0$.

At $\theta \rightarrow 0$ one can assume in future calculation $\alpha_1=\beta_1, \alpha_2=\beta_2$.

Then $\omega_1=\omega_3, \omega_2=\omega_4$

For magnetization of sublattice we have

$$\langle S^Z \rangle = \frac{1}{2} - \varphi(0) - \varphi(T) \quad (6)$$

In (6)

$$\varphi(0) = \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{\vec{k}} \left[-1 + \frac{\Gamma}{\omega_1 + \omega_2} + \frac{\Gamma(\Gamma^2 - 4\alpha_1^2) - 8\alpha_2^2(\Gamma + 2\alpha_1)}{\omega_1\omega_2(\omega_1 + \omega_2)} \right] \quad (7)$$

describes magnetization deviation from saturation at $T=0$ at the expense of zero oscillations in system (quantum spin reduction), and

$$\varphi(T) = \frac{1}{2N} \sum_{\vec{k}} \left\{ \frac{1}{\omega_1^2 - \omega_2^2} \left[\frac{\omega_1^3 + \omega_1^2 - \mu_1\omega_1 - \mu_2}{\omega_1} f(\omega_1) - \frac{\omega_2^3 + \Gamma\omega_2^2 - \mu_1\omega_2 - \mu_2}{\omega_2} f(\omega_2) \right] \right\} \quad (8)$$

magnetization deviation at the expense of thermal oscillations of spin (magnons) at $T \neq 0$,

$$\mu_1 = \Gamma^2 - 4\alpha_1^2; \mu_2 = \Gamma(\Gamma^2 - 4\alpha_1^2) - 8\alpha_2^2(\Gamma + 2\alpha_1)$$

$$f(\omega) = \left[\exp\left(\frac{\omega}{T} - 1\right) \right]^{-1}, \quad (k_B=1)$$

At low temperatures

$$\langle S^Z \rangle = \frac{1}{2} - \varphi(0) - \frac{\Gamma}{4\pi^2} \left[\frac{R_5^{3/2} - R_4^{3/2}}{(R_1 R_4 R_5)^{3/2}} \right] T^2 \quad (9)$$

if $(R_1 R_3)^{1/2} \ll T \ll T_N$. At $T \ll (R_1 R_3)^{1/2}$ both branches give exponentially small corrections.

In (9)

$$R_1 = J_1(0) \eta_1 + J_2(0) \eta_2; \quad R_4 = [J_1(0) \eta_1 - 2J_2(0) \eta_2]; \quad R_5 = \frac{1}{12} [J_1(0) \eta_1 + 2J_2(0) \eta_2]$$

In the neighborhood $T_N (T < T_N)$ at $H=0$

$$\langle S^Z \rangle = \sqrt{\frac{T_N}{F} \left(1 - \frac{T}{T_N} \right)} \quad (10)$$

where

$$F = \frac{2}{N} \sum \frac{\Gamma + 2\alpha_2}{6}, \quad \text{but}$$

$$T_N = \left\{ \frac{2}{N} \sum_k (\Gamma + \alpha_2) \left[\frac{1}{\omega_1^2} + \frac{1}{\omega_2^2} \right] \right\}^{-1}$$

Neel temperature. At $T_1 \sim 10^3$ K $\left(T \approx \frac{J_1}{K_B} \right)$ we have

$T_N \approx 270$ K.

Magnetic heat capacity, is defined in the following way:

$$C_m = \left(\frac{NV}{4\pi^2} \right) \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \right)^{1/2} \left[\frac{P_1^{7/2}}{\gamma_1} e^{-\frac{P_1}{T}} + \frac{P_2^{7/2}}{\gamma_2} e^{-\frac{P_2}{T}} \right] T^{-1/2} + 3 \left[\frac{P_1^{5/2}}{\gamma_1} e^{-\frac{P_1}{T}} + \frac{P_2^{5/2}}{\gamma_2} e^{-\frac{P_2}{T}} \right] T^{1/2} + \frac{15}{4} \left[\frac{P_1^{3/2}}{\gamma_1} e^{-\frac{P_1}{T}} + \frac{P_2^{3/2}}{\gamma_2} e^{-\frac{P_2}{T}} \right] T^{3/2} \quad (13)$$

if $T \ll (R_1 R_3)^{1/3}$. In (9), (12) and (13) $P_1 = (R_1 R_5 - R_2 d)^{3/2}$, $P_2 = (d R_1)^{1/2}$, $\gamma_1 = (R_1 R_4 - R_2 R_3)^{3/2}$, $\gamma_2 = (R_1 R_5 - R_2 d)^{3/2}$.

The dependences (14) and (15) agree to the experimental data on heat capacity investigations [9].

Transversal (dynamical) magnet susceptibility is the following:

$$\chi_{\perp}(\vec{k}, \omega) = -4\mu^2 \frac{\omega^3 + \Gamma\omega^2 - \mu_1\omega - \mu_2}{(\omega_1^2 - \omega^2)(\omega_2^2 - \omega^2)} \quad (14)$$

(14) describes resonance behavior of system La_2CuO_4 .

Having expanded ω in terms of k at low temperatures and integrating (14) we can show that $\chi_{\perp} \sim T$, which accords with the results of paper [9].

We note, that as the external magnetic field is increasing (at a certain value of this field). First the spins change from anti-parallel state into the state of spin-flop phase and make an angle φ ($0 < \varphi < 2\pi$) and then they come together. These values of the magnetic field are called critical and determined when the acoustic branch is ignored (in our case it is ω_2) at $k=0$.

So we have

$$h_{k1} = \sqrt{(\Gamma - 2\alpha_1)^2 - 16\alpha_2^2} \quad (15)$$

$$C_m = \left(\frac{NV}{4\pi^2} \right) \frac{1}{T^2} \int_0^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^2 \frac{\omega_i^2 e^{\omega_i T} k^2 dk}{(e^{\omega_i T} - 1)^2} \quad (11)$$

At low temperatures

$$C_m = \left(\frac{NV}{\pi^2} \right) \frac{1}{R_1^{3/2}} \left(\frac{1}{R_4^{3/2}} + \frac{1}{R_5^{3/2}} \right) T^3 \quad (12)$$

if $(R_1 R_3)^{1/2} \ll T \ll T_N$

is the critical field, corresponding to the change from the parallel state of spins into the spin-flop-phase and

$h_{k2} = \Gamma + 2\alpha_1$ - is the critical field, corresponding to the change from spin-flop-phase into the state of parallel spins.

Results

1. Unlike paper [11], where La_2CuO_4 is considered as two-sublattice system in the present paper La_2CO_4 is considered as four-sublattice anti ferromagnetic system, which is taken place.
2. It was established that if the external magnetic field is perpendicular to the direction S_7 , it doesn't influence on the basic state.
3. Considering the external magnetic field results in taking off degeneracy in the energetic spectrum of spin excitations of anti ferromagnetic HTSC La_2CuO_4 . Just in one case, particularly when $J_2 \ll J_1$, $J \ll J_1$, the following degeneracy $\omega_2 = \omega_3$, $\omega_2 = \omega_4$ is true one. This result coincides with the case of the work [2] at $H=0$.
4. For the first time there have been obtained the expression for critical fields in anti ferromagnetic crystal La_2CuO_4 .

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YÜKSƏK TEMPERATURLU İFRAT KEÇİRİCİLƏRİN MAQNİT XASSƏLƏRİNƏ DAİR

Yüksək temperaturlu antiferromaqnit ifrat keçiricilərin maqnit xassələri və enerji spektri təqdim edilmişdir. La_2CuO_4 tipli kristallara baxılmışdır. Kritik sahə gərginliyinin faza sərhəddinə uyğun olan qiymətləri alınmışdır.

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К ТЕОРИИ МАГНИТНЫХ СВОЙСТВ ВЫСОКОТЕМПЕРАТУРНЫХ СВЕРХПРОВОДНИКОВ

Ряд ВТСП являются магнитоупорядоченными кристаллами. Объектами исследования данной работы являются антиферромагнитные ВТСП со структурой La_2CuO_4 . Получен спектр возбуждения спиновых волн исследован в разных случаях магнитного поля. Получено значение критического поля, соответствующей фазовой границе.

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