

High Field ESR on Materials with Magnetic Order

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Ferromagnet, anti-ferromagnet in Heisenberg model

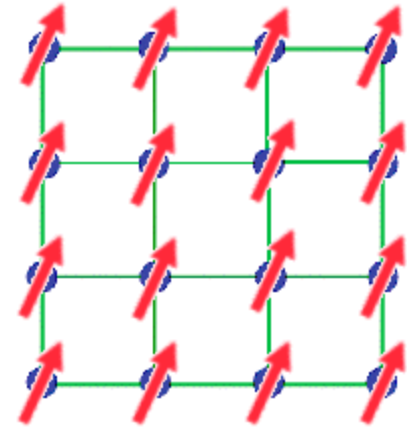
$$\mathcal{H} = J \sum S_i \cdot S_j$$

$J < 0$ Ferromagnet — classical and quantum ground states are the same

$$\mathbf{S}^{\text{tot}} = \sum \mathbf{S} = N \mathbf{S}$$

$$[S_x^{\text{tot}}, S_y^{\text{tot}}] = i \hbar S_z^{\text{tot}} \rightarrow [S_x, S_y] = i (\hbar/N) S_z$$

$$[\mathcal{H}, S_z^{\text{tot}}] = 0 ; [\mathcal{H}, S^{\text{tot} 2}] = 0 ; E = -N (z/2) (J/4)$$



$J > 0$ anti-ferromagnet — N-el state, sublattice magnetizations

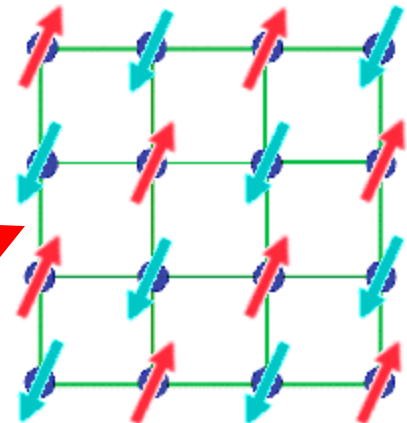
$$\mathbf{S}_A^{\text{tot}} = \sum_A \mathbf{S} = (N/2) \mathbf{S} \quad \mathbf{S}_B^{\text{tot}} = \sum_B \mathbf{S} = (N/2) \mathbf{S}$$

$$[H, \mathbf{S}_A^{\text{tot}}] \neq 0$$

S^z is OK — S^+ , S^- is the problem

N-el state is not a real ground state

— except — sing model —



□ wo electron ground state

$N=2$  $E = -\frac{1}{4} J$

□ problems □ no rotational invariance, but $S^{\text{tot}}=0$

Better □ singlet

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□ generalization □ or more spins □

□ valence bond solid □ BS, Sachdev, Read □ □ □ □ □

Resonating valence bond □ RVB, Anderson □ □ □ □ □, □ □ □ □ □

How bad is the N_{el} state depends

Number of spin components \rightarrow Heisenberg \rightarrow \rightarrow sing
Eu \rightarrow LiHoF₄

Magnitude of spin $S=1/2$ $S=1$ $S=3/2$ $S=2$, $S=5/2$
NaNiO2 NiCl2 LnCrO2 LaMnO2 Fe(OH)SO4

Dimension of lattice $d=0$ $d=1$ $d=2$ $d=3$
MnOAcetate UeO2 SuI2 LaMnO3

Stability of the Néel state

Magnon excitation spectrum

$$\omega(q) = JS \sqrt{1 - \cos 2(qa)} \sim q \text{ for small } q$$

Quantum fluctuations destroy sublattice magnetization $S_A^{\text{tot}}/N = \frac{1}{2}(S - \delta S)$

$$\delta S \approx \frac{1}{2S} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{\mathbf{R}} \langle S_{\mathbf{R}}^- S_{\mathbf{R}}^+ \rangle = \frac{1}{2S} \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{Q}}{v_{BZ}} \frac{g^{+-}(\mathbf{Q})}{\hbar \omega(\mathbf{Q})} \sim \int g(q)/\omega(q) d^D q$$

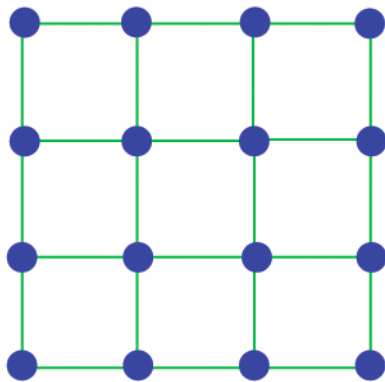
Divergent in one dimension

Must know excitation spectrum [neutron] gap helps to stabilize the classical solution [ESR measures gap at $q=0$].

Connectivity of Lattice

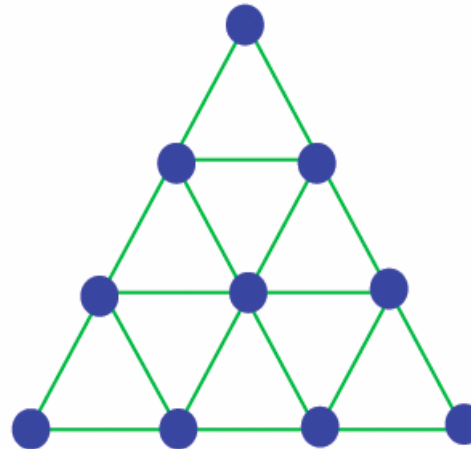
Square lattice

LaCuO_2



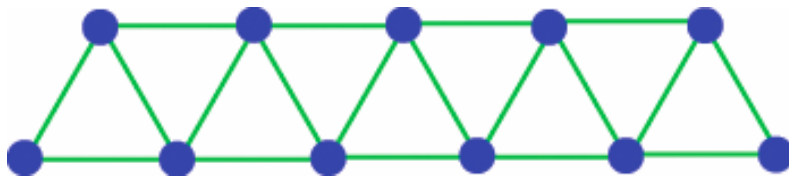
Triangular lattice

SrVO_3 , LiNiO_2

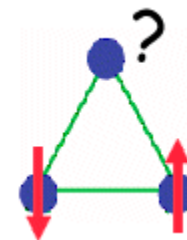


zigzag chain

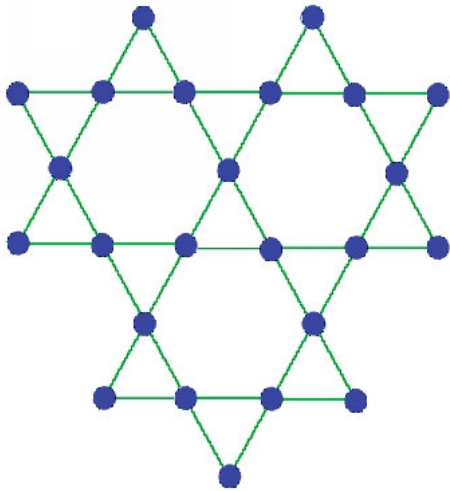
LiCuO_2



Frustration - One of three spins is unhappy



Connectivity of Lattice



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