## 遷移金属L<sub>2.3</sub>端X線吸収分光と 多電子系第一原理計算による 正極材料の化学状態解析

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## Characterization of Cathode Materials via Soft X-ray Absorption Spectroscopy



Soft X-ray Absorption Spectroscopy (XAS) give us direct information of valence electrons

- Transition metal (TM)  $L_{2,3}$ -edges :  $2p \rightarrow 3d$ , (4s)
- Oxygen K-edge

: 1s → **2p,** 3p

## Ab-initio Calculations of XAS



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## **Ab-Initio Methods for XANES/ELNES**

#### No universal method for simulating all edges of all elements!



## Multiplet Effects on TM-L<sub>2,3</sub> XAS



Ikeno et al., J. Phys.: Condens. Matter 21 (2009) 104208.

Energy (eV)

## Go Beyond DFT!



$$H\Psi(\boldsymbol{r}_1,\ldots,\boldsymbol{r}_N)=E\Psi(\boldsymbol{r}_1,\ldots,\boldsymbol{r}_N)$$

#### **Difficulties in calculations**

- Many-body problem
- relativistic effect (core-levels)
- explicit inter-electron interactions



## Calculations for XAS using Model Hamiltonian

#### Charge Transfer Multiplet method

- Model Hamiltonian
- Fit spectra with adjustable parameters

Slater integrals: $F^k$ ,  $G^k$ Crystal field splitting:10DqHubbard parameter: $U_{dd}$ ,  $U_{pd}$ Charge transfer energy: $\Delta$ 

- ⊗ Little predictive performance
- ⊗ Only for highly symmetric systems

the lower the symmetry, more adjustable parameters are required



de Groot et al., Phys. Rev. B 42 (1990) 5459.

Development of a *ab-initio* approach has been strongly desired

- No adjustable parameter
- Applicable to arbitrary atomic structures

## Ab-Initio Multiplet Approach

$$H\Psi(\boldsymbol{r}_1,\ldots,\boldsymbol{r}_N)=E\Psi(\boldsymbol{r}_1,\ldots,\boldsymbol{r}_N)$$

Independent particle approximation (Hartree-Fock, DFT)



Cl wavefunction – Linear combinations of Slater determinants



Dynamical correlations between 2p and 3d electrons

## **Many-Electron Hamiltonian**

$$\hat{H} = \sum_{i,j} \langle \phi_i | \hat{h} | \phi_j \rangle a_i^{\dagger} a_j + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j,k,l} \langle \phi_i \phi_j | \hat{g} | \phi_k \phi_l \rangle a_i^{\dagger} a_j^{\dagger} a_l a_k$$

One-electron integrals

Two-electron integrals

$$\langle \phi_i | \hat{h} | \phi_k 
angle = \int \phi_i^{\dagger}(\boldsymbol{r}) \hat{h}(\boldsymbol{r}) \phi_j(\boldsymbol{r}) d\boldsymbol{r}$$

Kinetic energy, spin-orbit coupling, potentials from nuclei

#### CTM: adjustable parameters

Crystal field splitting (10Dq)hopping integral (t)Charge transfer energy  $(\Delta)$ 

$$\langle \phi_i \phi_j | \hat{g} | \phi_k \phi_l \rangle = \int \phi_i^{\dagger}(\boldsymbol{r}_1) \phi_j^{\dagger}(\boldsymbol{r}_2) \hat{g}(\boldsymbol{r}_1, \boldsymbol{r}_2) \phi_k(\boldsymbol{r}_1) \phi_l(\boldsymbol{r}_2) d\boldsymbol{r}_1 d\boldsymbol{r}_2$$

Inter-electron interactions

CTM: Atomic value (HF)

## **Details of Calculations**

- Solving Dirac equation with Local Density Approximation (LDA)  $[c\alpha \cdot p + mc^2\beta + v_{ext}(r) + v_{xc}(r)]\phi_i(r) = \epsilon_i\phi_i(r)$
- Model cluster (one TM ion and coordinating ligand ions)
- Madelung potential





## TM- $L_{2,3}$ XAS of V<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, MnO, and FeO



Branching ratio:  $L_3/(L_3+L_2)$ 

## Theoretical Fingerprints of TM-L<sub>2,3</sub> XAS

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## Theoretical Fingerprints of Transition Metal L<sub>2,3</sub> XANES and ELNES for Lithium Transition Metal Oxides by ab Initio Multiplet Calculations

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**ABSTRACT:** With the ab initio multiplet method, transition metal (M) L<sub>2.3</sub>-edge X-ray absorption near-edge structures (XANES) and electron energy loss near-edge structures (ELNES) can be predicted in detail. In this study, theoretical fingerprints, their orientation dependences, and theoretical branching ratios of M L<sub>3</sub>and L<sub>2</sub>-edges for LiMO<sub>2</sub> and Li-extracted MO<sub>2</sub> (M = Mn, Fe, Co, Ni) are obtained. The spectra are found to be strongly dependent on the oxidation state and spin state of M ions in all compounds, which proves that they can be unambiguously determined by matching the experimental spectra with the theoretical fingerprints. The variation of the spectra with the crystal structure is small in LiMO<sub>2</sub>, whereas it is sensibly large in Li-extracted MO<sub>2</sub>. This can be as represented by the fraction of the O-2p in the molecular orbitals t oxides. The  $L_3/(L_3 + L_2)$  branching ratio is also computed systematic spin states of M ions but is insensitive to crystal structure. The effects  $\hat{Mn}^{3+}$  and Fe<sup>4+</sup> (d<sup>4</sup> high-spin state). The presence and orientation c the orientation dependence of the spectra, although the orientation

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#### Ab initio charge transfer multiplet calculations on the $L_{2,3}$ XANES and ELNES of 3d transition metal oxides

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The  $L_{2,3}$  x-ray absorption near-edge structures (XANES) and electron energy loss near-edge structures (ELNES) of 3*d* transition metal (TM) oxides are systematically calculated by the *ab initio* charge transfer multiplet (CTM) method using fully relativistic molecular spinors on the basis of density-functional theory. The electronic excitation from molecular spinors mainly composed of O-2*p* to those of TM-3*d*, that is, charge transfer, is included by considering additional electronic configurations in the configuration interactions. The effects of the covalency and charge transfer on the TM- $L_{2,3}$  XANES are investigated in detail. The power of the *ab initio* CTM method to quantitatively reproduce the spectra is demonstrated. Meanwhile, limitations of the application of the method are discussed.

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### Ni-L<sub>2,3</sub> ELNES of LiNiO<sub>2</sub> and Related Compounds

#### LiNiO<sub>2</sub>: Model cathode material with layered rocksalt structure



T. Ohzuku *et al.*, Electrochimica Acta **38** (1993) 1159. Ni-O bond length, magnetic susceptibility Ni<sup>3+</sup>, low-spin

L. A. Montoro *et al.*, Chem. Phys. Lett. **309** (1999) 14. Ni  $L_{2,3}$ -XAS Ni<sup>2+</sup>, charge transfer from oxygen to Ni

- TEM-ELNES measurements of Ni L<sub>2,3</sub>-edges in LiNiO<sub>2</sub> and related compounds (bulk sensitive)
- *Ab-initio* multiplet calculations Ni  $L_{2,3}$ -edges

H. Ikeno, I. Tanaka, Y. Koyama, T. Mizoguchi, *Phys. Rev. B* 72, 075123 (2005).
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Theory: Ikeno *et al.*, Phys. Rev. B **72**, 075123 (2005). Experiments: Y. Koyama *et al.*, J. Phys. Chem. B **109**, 10749 (2005).

## Redox on Li<sub>2</sub>MnO<sub>3</sub> Cathode Material

Li<sub>2</sub>MnO<sub>3</sub>: reference compound for Li-excess cathode material

#### **Mn-redox mechanism**

Li<sub>2</sub>Mn<sup>4+</sup>O<sub>3</sub> → Li<sup>+</sup> + e<sup>-</sup> + LiMn<sup>5+</sup>O<sub>3</sub><sup>2-</sup> Mn-K (1s→4p) XAS [Yu *et al.*, J. Electrochem. Soc. **156**, A417 (2009).]

#### **O-redox mechanism**

 $\text{Li}_2\text{Mn}^{4+}\text{O}_3 \rightarrow \text{Li}^+ + \text{e}^- + \text{Li}\text{Mn}^{4+}\text{O}_3^{1.67-}$ 

DFT calculations [Koyama *et al.*, J. Power Sources **189**, 798 (2009).]

#### Mn-L<sub>2,3</sub> XAS + Ab-initio calculations direct information of Mn-3d states

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monoclinic (C2/m)

## Mn-L<sub>2,3</sub> XAS of Li<sub>x</sub>MnO<sub>3</sub>



Mn ions are 4+ states in Li<sub>1.00</sub>MnO<sub>3</sub>

Mn<sup>4+</sup>/Mn<sup>5+</sup>-redox mechanism cannot explain the results

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## Mn-L<sub>2.3</sub> XAS of Li<sub>x</sub>MnO<sub>3</sub>



- Changes of electrostatic potential
- Local distortion around Mn ions

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## Effects of the Jahn-Teller Distortion

**Mn-***L***<sub>2,3</sub> XAS of LiMnO<sub>2</sub> (Mn<sup>3+</sup>, d<sup>4</sup>)** 



H. Ikeno, et al., J. Phys. Chem. C 115, 11871 (2011). 18

## Effects of the Jahn-Teller Distortion

**Mn-L\_{2,3} XAS of LiMnO<sub>2</sub> (Mn<sup>3+</sup>, d^4)** 



JT distortion can be clearly detected by measuring orientation dependence



## Fe-L<sub>2,3</sub> XAS in Olivine



## Summary

## Development of an *ab-initio* method for transition metals $L_{2,3}$ XAS

- Full-relativistic MO calculation using cluster models
- Configuration interaction calculations for multiplet levels
- Applicable to arbitrary atomic & spin arrangements
- Quantitatively *reproduce* & *predict* experimental spectra

# High quality XAS measurements + Ab-initio multiplet calculations = Unique & powerful technique for the characterization of TM in cathode materials Identify chemical states, spin states, local symmetries etc.

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