Spin-crossover phenomena of a Jahn-Teller active Mn(III) complex [Mn(taa)]

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## Milestone paper on SCO phenomena

#### PHONON COUPLED COOPERATIVE LOW-SPIN ${}^{1}A_{1} \rightleftharpoons \text{HIGH-SPIN} {}^{5}T_{2} \text{ TRANSITION IN } [Fe(phen)_{2}(NCS)_{2}]$ AND $[Fe(phen)_{2}(NCSe)_{2}]$ CRYSTALS



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 $\Delta_{trs}S = 48.8 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ >> R ln 5 (13.4 J K<sup>-1</sup> mol<sup>-1</sup>)

Pure <u>spin entropy</u> is not sufficient! Where is another entropy source?

 $\rightarrow$  Vibrational contribution





## Central Dogma in thermally-driven SCO

- Entropy difference between HS and LS is dominated by vibrational contribution.
- Totally-symmetric breathing mode is important.

Spin-crossover temperature  $T_{1/2} = \Delta_{trs} H / \Delta_{trs} S$ 





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 $H_3$ taa = tris(I-(2- azolyl)-2-azabuten-4-yl)amine







#### Active vibrational modes





## Jahn-Teller distortion in HS species



DFT-optimized structure and spin density isosurface with 0.005 e / a.u.<sup>3</sup> Multis 2017



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## Dielectric behavior of [Mn<sup>III</sup>(taa)]



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## Electrostatics of [Mn<sup>III</sup>(taa)]

Curie behavior of bare dipole:  $p = (\mu^2 / 3k_B T) E_{loc}$ 

- $\mu$  molecular dipole
- $E_{\rm loc}$  local field

Macroscopic polarization of crystal: P = N pN number density of dipole

Local field  $E_{loc} = E_{ext} + E_{Lorentz}$ =  $E_{ext} + P / (3\varepsilon_{\infty}\varepsilon_{0})$  $\varepsilon_{\infty}$  high-frequency component

Definition of crystalline dielectric constant  $\varepsilon$ :  $P = (\varepsilon - \varepsilon_{\infty}) \varepsilon_0 E_{\text{ext}}$ 





## Electrostatics of [Mn<sup>III</sup>(taa)]

Curie-Weiss law: 
$$\varepsilon = \varepsilon_{\infty} + \frac{C}{T - \theta_{es}}$$
  
 $C = N \mu^2 / (3k_{\rm B}\varepsilon_0)$   
 $\theta_{\rm es} = C / (3\varepsilon_{\infty})$  (electrostatic interaction)

Experimental data  $\varepsilon_{\infty} = 3, C = 91 \text{ K}, \theta = 26 \text{ K}$ 

- $\rightarrow$  estimated molecular dipole  $\mu = 1.25$  D
- $\rightarrow$  van der Waals' interaction  $\theta \theta_{es} = 16 \text{ K}$







Normalization of population

 $\rho_0 + \rho_1 + \rho_2 + \rho_3 = 1$ 

- $\Delta$  LS-HS gap
- $J_0$  Potts-type interaction between HS species
- $J_1$  Ising-type interaction between HS and LS species

Internal energy:  $U = \Delta(1 - \rho_0) + J_0(\rho_1^2 + \rho_2^2 + \rho_3^2) + 2J_1\rho_0(1 - \rho_0)$ Entropy:  $S/R = \rho_0 \ln(2S_{LS} + 1) + (1 - \rho_0)\ln(2S_{HS} + 1) - \sum_{i=0}^3 \rho_i \ln \rho_i$ 



# 4-State Ising-Potts Model

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SCF equations:  $\partial F/\partial \rho_i = 0, \quad \partial^2 F/\partial \rho_i \partial \rho_j > 0 \quad (i, j = 1, 2, 3)$ 

3 Stable solutions:

Low-spin (LS) phase  $\rightarrow \rho_0 \gg \rho_1 = \rho_2 = \rho_3$ High-spin (HS) phase  $\rightarrow \rho_0 \ll \rho_1 = \rho_2 = \rho_3$ Ferrodistortively-ordered (FO) phase

$$\rightarrow \rho_0 \ll \rho_1 = \rho_2 < \rho_2$$





## Extended Phase Diagram of [Mn<sup>III</sup>(taa)]



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 $\Delta / k_{\rm B} = 90 \text{ K}$   $J_0 / k_{\rm B} = -36 \text{ K}$   $J_1 / k_{\rm B} = 125 \text{ K}$  $(\Delta_{\rm eff} = \Delta + 2J_1 = 340 \ k_{\rm B} \text{ K})$ 



## Entropy counting with JT pseudo-rotation

$$\Delta S_{mag} = R \ln (2S_{HS} + 1)/(2S_{HS} + 1) = R \ln(5/3)$$
  
 $\Delta S_{JT} = R \ln 3$ 

#### Cf. 13.8 J K<sup>-1</sup> mol<sup>-1</sup> based on DSC (Y. Garcia, 2000)

Estimate of the vibrational contribution to the entropy change associated with the spin transition in the d<sup>4</sup> systems [Mn<sup>III</sup>(pyrol)<sub>3</sub>tren] and [Cr<sup>II</sup>(depe)<sub>2</sub>I<sub>2</sub>]<sup> $\dagger$ </sup>

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New estimate  $\Delta S_{vib} = 9.1 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ 



## Adiabatic calorimetry of [Mn<sup>III</sup>(taa)]





## Perturbation to 4-State Ising-Potts Model

- Pressure effect on  $\chi$ 
  - Clamp cell (Cu-Ti alloy) 0.1 MPa to 1.0 GPa Fomblin oil – hydrostatic pressure

• Dilution effect on  $\chi$  and  $\varepsilon$ Mixed crystal [Mn<sub>1-x</sub>Ga<sub>x</sub>(taa)]



## Disappeared transition under pressure



Isomorphic phase transition  $\rightarrow$  critical phenomana?





1.0 GPa

660





-36



1.2

60

## Disappeared transition under pressure



## Dilution effect in $[Mn_{1-x}Ga_x(taa)]$



diamond (z = 4) 0.43



#### Dilution effect in $[Mn_{1-x}Ga_x(taa)]$



## Dispersion of $\varepsilon$ due to pseudo-rotation





## Conclusion

- [Mn<sup>III</sup>(taa)] is a fascinating system involving two molecular bistabilities and a hidden ferrodistortive order (FO) phase.
- LIESST at low temperature may provide the hidden FO phase. Challenging!





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## Spin-crossover (SCO) phenomena

Octahedral transition metal complex







## Mn<sup>III</sup> SCO complex [Mn(taa)]





## Raman spectra of [Mn<sup>III</sup>(taa)]



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# Crystal structure of [Mn<sup>III</sup>(taa)]

#### HS phase

space group I-43d (cubic)

Z = 16

a = 2.0309 nm





## H-T phase diagram of [Mn<sup>III</sup>(taa)]



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