сверхпроводимость и магнетизм в нецентросимметричном соединении RhGe (B20)



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- Впервые при высоком давлении синтез германидов с d- металлами (W₅Ge₃ и WGe₂) был проведен в ИФВД в конце *семидесятых* годов.

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right: temperature dependence of the ordered Mn magnetic moment.





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Синтез и структура RhGe (B20)

Вид образца после плавления исходной смеси Rh (99.99%) и Ge (99.999%) при высоком давлении 8 ГПа в контейнере из NaCl.





X-ray powder diffraction pattern from RhGe_{0.986} (RF = 0.0188, RP = 0.0260, RWP = 0.0418). (+): measured diffraction pattern, (solid line): Rietveld refinement and (bottom curve): the difference between the two dependencies. The positions of allowed Bragg reflections are indicated by vertical tick marks. Inset: the crystal structure of B20-type RhGe space group P2₁3 (No..198) with $a = 4.85954(2) \circ A (V = 114.758(1) \circ A^3)$

Heavy Fermion Superconductivity and Magnetic Order in Noncentrosymmetric CePt₃Si



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According to V.M. Edelstein and L.P. Gor'kov and E.I. Rashba, in the absence of inversion symmetry the order parameter becomes a mixture of spin-singlet and spin-triplet components

C. Pfleiderer, G. J. McMullan, S. R. Julian, and G. G. Lonzarich, Phys. Rev. B 55, 8330 (1997). Ожидали сверхпроводимость при высоком давлении в зонном магнетике MnSi (B20), но наблюдали только магнетизм.

Температурные зависимости сопротивления теплоемкости и восприимчивости RhGe

T'(K')250 10 15 200 T= 2.6 K 0 30 ρ (μΩ cm) 150 2.5 لەر (m) 20 10 100 (a) H = 0 kOe50 $\rho(T) = \rho_0 + AT^3$ 2 3 T(K) 5 0 150 200 250 50 100 300 Temperature (K) Temperature dependence of the electrical resistivity of RhGe0.986. Inset (a) - temperature dependences of resistivity in various magnetic fields around the superconducting transition. Inset (b) temperature dependence of the specific heat (in the form C/T vs T 2) of RhGe around the superconducting transition.

We estimated dH_{c2}/dT at T_c as -0.65 kOe/K.



- Temperature dependence of the electrical resistivity of RhGe at various filling of the Ge-site.
- Temperature dependence of the magnetic susceptibility of RhGe and a piece of Pb with external dimensions close to those of RhGe sample at various filling of the Ge-site.

 $\gamma = 2.9 \text{ mJ/(mol} \cdot \text{K}^2)$

In RhGe the jump $\Delta C/\gamma T_c \sim 0.16$ The BCS value ($\Delta C/\gamma T_c = 1.43$).

Similar small jump C/ γ Tc = 0.25 was found in the noncentrosymmetric antiferromagnetic superconductor CePt3Si

Спектры дифференциальной проводимости G=dl/dV RhGe



(\circ)-the Andreev signal of RhGe0.986 in the superconducting state at ambient pressure and at 1.8 K. (Δ)-the conductance of contact in the normal state at 4.3 K. The bold squares are the enlarged central part of spectrum taken at T = 1.8 K. The characteristic bumps of spectrum located at bias voltages V = $|\Delta_s \pm \Delta_{t/2}|/e$ according to Ref.[Linder] are marked by arrows (the bumps at V₁ \approx 0.03 mV, V₂ \approx 0.96 mV and the gaps $\Delta_s \approx$ 0.46 meV and $\Delta_t \approx$ 0.93 meV and the triplet component dominates.

In the absence of an inversion center the spectrum of Cooper pairs can have two energy gaps and the order parameter contains not only a singlet part, but also an admixture of a triplet state, whereas the zero-temperature spin susceptibility is finite. (V.M. Edelstein -1989)



It is seen that the conductance spectra reveal information about the relative size of the singlet and triplet components of the gaps by characteristic features located at bias voltages $E=\Delta_s\pm\Delta_{t/2}$.

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Quantum transport in noncentrosymmetric superconductors and thermodynamics of ferromagnetic superconductors Phys. Rew. B 76, 054511 (2007)





 $\mu_{\rm eff} = 1.18 \,\mu_{\rm B}/{\rm f.u.}$

 $M_{\rm S} \sim 0.001 \ \mu_{\rm B}/{\rm f.u.}$

Временные спектры угловой анизотропии, измеренные методом ВУК на ядрах ¹¹¹Cd в RhGe



The EFG $V_{zz} = v_O h/eQ = 6.7(2) \times 10^{17} \text{ V/sm}^2$

the magnetic hyperfine field $B = 8.6(1) \text{ T} (B_{HF} = 2\pi v_L/g\mu_N)$

anisotropy, R(t) for ¹¹¹Cd in ZrZn₁₉ measured at various temperatures and normal pressure $(T_{\rm C} = 29 \ K).$

The EFG $V_{zz} = 7.0(2) \times 10^{17} \,\text{V/sm}^2$ $B_{7r} = 9.2(1) T$

Зависимость температуры сверхпроводящего перехода от давления для неценторосимметричных RhGe и RhGe₄



Temperature dependence of the electrical resistivity of $RhGe_{1.003}$ near the superconducting transition at various pressures. The inset shows the P-T diagram of superconductivity in RhGe (P2₁3).



Temperature dependence of the electrical resistivity of RhGe₄(superconducting phase with structure of IrGe₄-type synthesized under high pressure [Larchev, Popova]) near the superconducting transition at ambient pressure. The inset shows the P-T diagram of superconductivity in trigonal RhGe₄. **Space Group:** 152 ($P3_121$), Z=3

Структура, электронные и магнитные свойства: оценка с использованием расчётов ab initio на примере QUANTUM ESPRESSO

RhGe (B20) space group $P2_13$ (No..198) with 0.17 (Bh) and I-n(Ge) (Rh) and I-n(Ge) (Rh) and I-n(Ge) (Ch) a *a* =4.85954(2) °A (*V* = 114.758(1) °A³) Energy per unit cell (eV) - u(Rh) Rh 1-11(Ge 80 Volume (A³) 60 100 120 RhGe-MnP-type RhGe-B20 Ge FeSi MnP 100 110 120

Volume of a unit cell (A^3)

RhGe (B31) space group *Pnma* (No..62) with V = 119.273 (2) °A³ $\Delta V/V = 0.038$

RhGe	Pnma (No. 62) w	$R_2 = 0.0211, R_1 = 0.0101$	
a = 5.	704(2) Å, $b = 3.2$	15(1)Å, $c = 6.504(2)$ Å	
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Atom	Site	x	у	z
Rh	4 <i>c</i>	0.00339(4)	1/2	0.20193(4)
Ge	4 <i>c</i>	0.19144(6)	1/2	0.93977(5)
	U_{11}	U ₂₂	U_{33}	
Rh	0.0023(2)	0.0051(2)	0.0035(2)	
Ge	0.0030(2)	0.0044(2)	0.0041(2)	

Calculated total energy vs the unit cell volume for metastable (B20) and stable (MnP-type) phases of RhGe. The tangent line (green arrow) determines the transition pressure (about 8 GPa) and the volume change at the transition point (about 6%). Zero energy corresponds to the MnP-type phase at zero pressure. Inset: changes of the Rh and Ge lattice parameters u in the B20 phase.

Намагниченность **М** в кристалле MnGe и RhGe при нормальном давлении (QUANTUM ESPRESSO)

MnGe







The calculated total magnetization is rather small and directed along the z–axis, $|\langle M(r)\rangle|\approx 0.0077~\mu_B,$ whereas the average absolute magnetization $\langle |M(r)|\rangle\approx 1.0~\mu B.$

Распределение компоненты M_x и M_y неколлинеарного магнитного момента в элементарной ячейке MnGe и RhGe. Координаты атомов перпендикулярно поверхности рисунка показаны цифрами в скобках. Цветная палитра в правой части рисунка показывает величину и направление этой компоненты.

Распределение компоненты M_z неколлинеарного магнитного момента в элементарной ячейке MnGe и RhGe. Отметим, что z-компонента MnGe сконцентрирована на атомах **марганца** и более чем в 200 раз превышает х и у компоненты.

RhGe



Некоторые выводы из расчетов магнитных свойств

For quantitative characterization of atomic magnetization we consider different quantities integrated over small spheres around the atom . The radius of the spheres was chosen as 0.64 Å. The total volume of 8 spheres is only 7.8% of the unit cell.

1-We have found that the atomic magnetization vector averaged over the sphere is $\langle \mathbf{M}(\mathbf{r}) \rangle_{\text{sph}} = (170, 55, 20) \cdot 10^{-4} \mu_B$ for Rh and $(2, -4, -3) \cdot 10^{-4} \mu_B$ for Ge.

2-The absolute magnetization inside the spheres gives only 40% of the absolute magnetization, $\langle |\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{r})| \rangle_{sph} = 0.04 \mu_{B}$ per Rh and 0.06 μ_{B} per Ge.

3-The spatial distribution of magnetization inside the atomic spheres can be also characterized by a non-symmetric tensor $Q_{jk} = \langle r_j M'_k \rangle_{sph}$ where **r** is the dimensionless radius vector inside the unit cell and

 $\mathbf{M}'(\mathbf{r}) = \mathbf{M}(\mathbf{r}) - \langle \mathbf{M}(\mathbf{r}) \rangle_{\text{sph}}$. This tensor violates both *T* - and *P*-invariance [I. Dzyaloshinskii, Solid State Comm. 82, 579 (1992)] and can appear, for instance, if a p-state is admixed to an s-state. The symmetric part $(Q_{jk}+Q_{kj})/2$ is the magnetic quadrupole moment of the atom and the antisymmetric part $(Q_{jk} - Q_{kj})/2$ is equivalent to the vector of atomic toroidal moment $\mathbf{T} = \langle \mathbf{r} \times \mathbf{M}'(\mathbf{r}) \rangle_{\text{sph}}$. It is interesting that there is a non-zero scalar part Q_{jj} arising from the spin hedgehog pattern around each atom : Q_{jj} is about $1.5 \cdot 10^{-4} \mu_{\text{B}}$ for Rh (plus for the two atoms and minus for another two) and $1.0 \cdot 10^{-4} \mu_{\text{B}}$ for Ge. Thus each atom in RhGe has a complicated magnetic pattern and can be considered as an atomic-size Skyrmion. The calculated toroidal moment for Rh is of about 2.6 $\cdot 10^{-4} \mu_{\text{B}}$ whereas for Ge it is only $0.2 \cdot 10^{-4} \mu_{\text{B}}$.

Топологические решетки узлов с нулевой намагниченностью



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In two dimensions, superposition of two orthogonally propagating spirals results in the meron-anti-meron (MM) lattice where nodes (points of vanishing magnetization) form a periodic array. Toroidal distribution of Ge-atom magnetization at one-half of the maximum absolute magnetization . The atom is at u, u, u u(Ge) = 0.83368 position.

In three dimensions, multiple spiral phases are equivalent to a lattice of hedgehogs and anti-hedgehogs (HH) realizing simple cubic, or other crystal symmetries.

UGe₂ – URhGe (UCoGe) - RhGe

forming the spin-triplet state of Cooper pairs

the mixed spin-singlet and spin-triplet states



$$T_{C}/T_{s} \approx 9.6/0.25 = 38.4$$

$$T_{Curie} = 9.5 \text{ K} \quad (T_{Curie} \approx 3 \text{ K})$$

$$M_{0} = 0.4 \mu_{B} \quad (M_{0} = 0.05 \mu_{B})$$

$$T_{SC} = 0.25 \text{ K} \quad (T_{SC} = 0.7 \text{ K})$$



TiNiSi-type structure

the space group *Pnma*

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 $T_C/T_s \approx 145/4 = 36.3$ $T_{\text{Curie}} = 145 \text{ K}$ $M_0 \approx 0.001 \mu_{\text{B}}$ $T_{\text{SC}} = 4.0 \text{ K}$



FeSi-type structure space group P2₁3



ZrGa₂-type structure

Cmmm