

Band calculation for Ce compounds on the basis of the dynamical mean field theory

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The band calculation scheme for f electron compounds is developed on the basis of the dynamical mean field theory (DMFT) and the LMTO method. The effective impurity problem is solved by a method named as $\text{NCA}f^2v$, which includes the correct exchange process of the $f^1 \rightarrow f^2$ fluctuation as the vertex correction to the non-crossing approximation (NCA) for the $f^1 \rightarrow f^0$ fluctuation. This method leads correct magnitude of the Kondo temperature, T_K , and makes it possible to carry out quantitative DMFT calculation including the crystalline field (CF) and the spin-orbit (SO) splittings of the self-energy. The magnetic excitation spectra are also calculated to estimate T_K . It is applied to Ce metal and CeSb at $T = 300$ K as the first step. In Ce metal, the hybridization intensity (HI) just below the Fermi energy is reduced in DMFT band. The photo-emission spectra (PES) have a conspicuous SO side peak, similar to that of experiments. T_K is estimated about 50 K and 320 K, respectively for γ and α Ce. These are comparable magnitude to the CF splitting. In CeSb, the double peaks structure of PES is reproduced. In addition rather higher T_K , about 80 K is obtained as the hybridization becomes strong just at the Fermi energy in DMFT band.

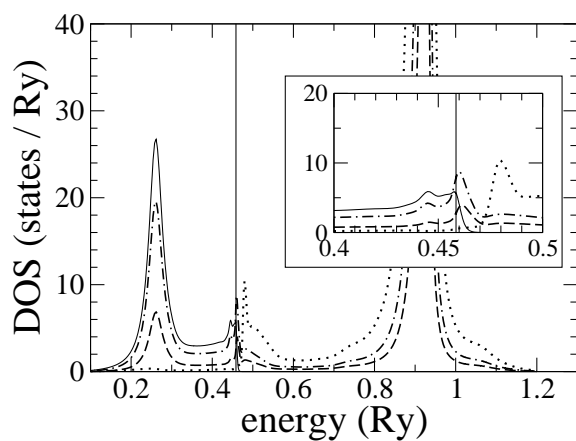


Figure 1: $4f$ spectra for γ Ce at $T = 300$ K. The solid line is the total $4f$ PES spectra. The dashed line is DOS of $(5/2)\Gamma_7$, the dot-dashed line is DOS of $(5/2)\Gamma_8$ and the dotted-line is DOS of $j = 7/2$ components. In set shows the spectra near the Fermi energy.

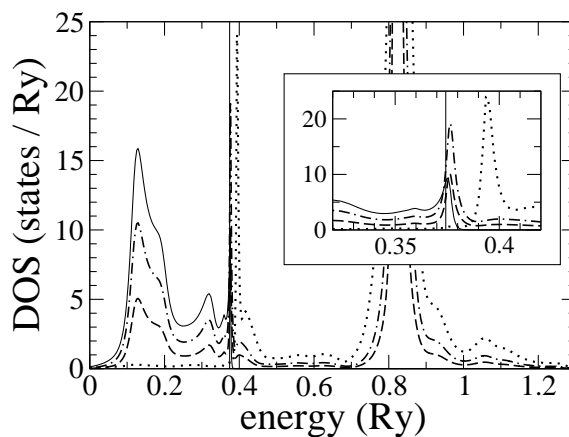


Figure 2: $4f$ spectra for CeSb at $T = 300$ K. Note we have a peak just at the Fermi energy. T_K is estimated to be about 80 K from the calculation of the magnetic excitation. This magnitude is rather too high, but will be reduced when the overlapping between the Sb- $5p$ valence and Ce- $5d$ conduction band is reduced.