

Model of high- T_c superconductivity driven by the intrinsic Kondo-type interaction: Effective phonon scheme

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We have investigated whether electron-hole composite quasiparticles in CuO_2 planes can drive the hole-doped high- T_c superconductivity. Using this quasiparticle concept, we derive a Kondo-type interaction mediated by the effective Gell-Mann and Breuckner-type phonon. It is shown that this interaction opens a superconducting gap near the Fermi level. We explain the resistivities in the a - b plane and also along the c axis using the same concept of superexchange interactions. We have also found that the measured magnetic susceptibility and nuclear-spin relaxation rates can be explained using the present theoretical scheme in a consistent way.

I. INTRODUCTION

After the discovery of high- T_c superconductivity (HTSC) in the copper-oxide system of La-Ba-Cu-O by Bednorz and Müller,¹ many theoretical models have been proposed to explain this phenomenon: $s = \frac{3}{2}$ hole-composite model,^{2,3} ferromagnetic cluster theory,^{4,5} spin-fluctuations scheme,⁶⁻⁸ resonating valence bond view,⁹⁻¹¹ excitonic picture,¹²⁻¹⁴ dipolon mechanism,¹⁵⁻¹⁷ etc.

Gap measurements¹⁸⁻²⁴ were reported to find the gap $2\Delta(0)/k_B T_c \approx 6 \sim 8$ in the plane parallel to the CuO_2 plane but almost equal to the BCS value^{25,26} of 3.5 in the direction perpendicular to the CuO_2 plane. These characteristics of gap anisotropy^{18,19,22-24} and nonzero $\Delta(T_c)$ values²³ in the HTSC cannot be explained satisfactorily by the BCS theory^{25,26} of the low-temperature superconductivity. Inelastic neutron-scattering (INS) experiments²⁷⁻³² suggest a pseudospin gap in the spin excitation spectrum, which also cannot be explained by the textbook theories. Resistivity experiments^{27,33,34} depicted the a - b plane resistance of CuO_2 planes to be proportional to temperature while the c -axis resistance in the direction perpendicular to the CuO_2 planes showing the temperature dependence of semiconductors. The INS results of Rossat-Mignod *et al.*²⁹ and Kasuya³⁵ show a temperature-independent peak at 41 meV that we want to assign as the effective phonon of Gell-Mann and Breuckner-type elementary excitation.³⁶ We want to show this effective phonon as responsible for the Cooper pairing in HTSC. On the basis of the effective-phonon theory we attempted to calculate the a - b plane and c -axis resistivities, nuclear-spin relaxation rates, and magnetic susceptibility, etc.

II. QUASIPARTICLE EXCITATION

We consider a quasiparticle of Fermion-type as composed of an electron-hole pair exciton and a free hole as depicted in Fig. 1. For a triplet state of the core electron-hole part this quasiparticle of $s = \frac{3}{2}$ becomes a Fermion-type electron-hole composite similar to the model of Aharony and

co-workers,^{2,3} Zhang and Rice,³⁷ and Emery and Reiter.³⁸ In our quasiparticle the core hole coupled with the lattice ion is responsible for the Gell-Mann and Breuckner-type effective phonon of Fig. 2, the core electron for localized spin flips, and conducting holes and electrons for free carriers.

We now consider the $s = \frac{1}{2}$ electron-hole composite of Fig. 1.

$$H = \frac{p_1^2}{2m_e} + \frac{p_2^2}{2m_h} - \frac{e^2}{\bar{\epsilon}_1 r_1} - \frac{e^2}{\bar{\epsilon}_2 r_2} - \frac{e^2}{\bar{\epsilon}_{12} |\mathbf{r}_2 - \mathbf{r}_1|}, \quad (1)$$

$$H^i = \frac{p_i^2}{2m_i} - \frac{e^2}{\bar{\epsilon}_i r_i}, \quad (2)$$

where m_e and m_h are derived from different bands, and m_e is the mass of the core electron, that is, e_{Cu} the valence electron from the d orbitals of copper, and m_{h_c} is the mass of conducting hole, that is, h_c the conducting hole from the p orbitals of oxygen, and h_{Cu} represents the valence hole from the d orbital of copper. The dielectric constants are defined as $1/\bar{\epsilon}_1 = 1/\epsilon_1 + 1/\epsilon_1^{\text{ph}}$, $1/\bar{\epsilon}_2 = -(1/\epsilon_2) + (1/\epsilon_2^{\text{ph}})$, $1/\bar{\epsilon}_{12} = (1/\epsilon_{12}) + (1/\epsilon_{12}^{\text{ph}})$, where ϵ_i is derived from the direct Coulomb interaction and ϵ_i^{ph} from the indirect Coulomb interaction³⁹ mediated by the phonon where indirect one is the same as BCS-type electron-electron interaction mediated by the phonon except nongauge invariant coupling-constant product. We thus have $\epsilon_i \gg |\epsilon_i^{\text{ph}}|$ due to the nongauge invariance of ϵ_i^{ph} and a rapid fluctuation³⁹ of ϵ_i^{ph} between positive and negative leads to the independence between e_{Cu} and h_{Cu} of Fig. 1 with negligible excitonic effect. Strong phonon drag effect also leads to a very large volume of h_{Cu} and thus e_{Cu} is not enough to cancel this but only screening with $m_{h_{\text{Cu}}} \approx 100m_{e_{\text{Cu}}}$. This model resembles a Helium atom.⁴⁰ Since H^i corresponds to the hydrogen Hamiltonian the energy eigen-

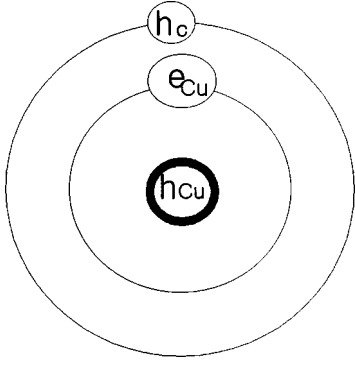


FIG. 1. The core hole h_{Cu} is from the intrinsic copper hole and the electron e_{Cu} from copper and the hole h_c is from a conducting hole in the $O(2p)$ orbital, where the effective masses are given $m_{h_{Cu}} \gg m_{e_{Cu}}$.

values for the case of noninteracting h_c and e_{Cu} of Fig. 1 can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} E_{n_1, n_2}^0 &= E_{n_1} + E_{n_2} \\ E_{n_1} &= -13.6 \text{ eV} / (\tilde{\epsilon}_1^2 n_1^2) \\ E_{n_2} &= -13.6 \text{ eV} / (\tilde{\epsilon}_2^2 n_2^2), \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

where $\tilde{\epsilon}_1 < \tilde{\epsilon}_2$, $m_{e_{Cu}} \approx m_{h_c}$, $m_{h_{Cu}} \gg m_{e_{Cu}}$, and E_{n_1, n_2}^0 represents the energy eigenvalue of noninteracting $e_{Cu} - h_c$.

In Eq. (1) the last term of electron-hole Coulomb interaction can be treated as a perturbation to the type-I quasiparticle of noninteracting h_c and e_{Cu} in Fig. 1. Given E_{11}^0 for

$$\phi_{100}(r) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{4\pi}} \left(\frac{1}{a_0} \right)^{3/2} e^{-r/a_0},$$

where a_0 is the Bohr radius, the perturbation ΔE_{11} can be calculated as

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta E_{11} &\approx - \int_0^\infty r_2^2 dr_2 \int d\Omega_2 \int_0^{r_2} dr_1 \int d\Omega_1 r_1^2 \\ &\quad \times \frac{1}{\tilde{\epsilon}_{12}^2} \frac{e^2}{|\mathbf{r}_2 - \mathbf{r}_1|} |\phi_{100}(r)|^4, \\ &= - \frac{11}{8} \frac{13.6 \text{ eV}}{\tilde{\epsilon}_{12}^2}, \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

so that

$$E_{11} = E_{11}^0 + \Delta E_{11} = -13.6 \text{ eV} \left(\frac{1}{\tilde{\epsilon}_1^2} + \frac{1}{\tilde{\epsilon}_2^2} + \frac{11}{8} \frac{1}{\tilde{\epsilon}_{12}^2} \right). \quad (5)$$

For the case of Fig. 1 this phonon-mediated interaction between hydrogenlike core electron hole and a conducting electron also makes the Fermion-type quasiparticle. The phonon may be softened at a temperature T_s much higher than the superconducting temperature T_c , where we expect the orthorhombic-tetragonal structural transition.⁴¹ From Eq. (3) we obtain

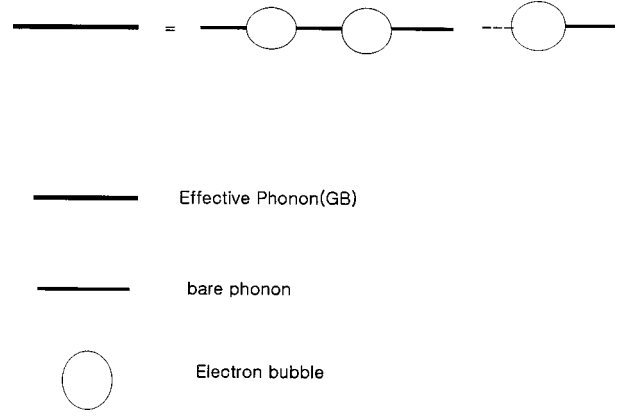


FIG. 2. Our elementary excitation is an effective phonon of Gell-Mann and Breuckner- (GB-) type (Ref. 36) which a bare phonon- h_{Cu} coupled state is called a plasmon-phonon coupled mode.

$$E_{n_1=1, n_2=\infty} \approx -13.6 \text{ eV} \left(\frac{1}{\tilde{\epsilon}_1^2} + \frac{11}{8} \frac{1}{\tilde{\epsilon}_{12}^2} \right), \quad (6)$$

and from

$$\phi_{200}(r) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{4\pi}} \left(\frac{1}{2a_0} \right)^{3/2} \left(1 - \frac{r}{2a_0} \right) e^{-r/2a_0}$$

the perturbation ΔE_{22} can be calculated as

$$\Delta E_{22} = -0.66 \frac{13.6 \text{ eV}}{\tilde{\epsilon}_{12}^2} \quad (7)$$

to give

$$E_{22} = - \frac{13.6 \text{ eV}}{4} \left(\frac{1}{\tilde{\epsilon}_1^2} + \frac{1}{\tilde{\epsilon}_2^2} \right) - 0.66 \frac{13.6 \text{ eV}}{\tilde{\epsilon}_{12}^2}. \quad (8)$$

We can also obtain

$$E_{n_1=2, n_2=\infty} = -13.6 \text{ eV} \left(\frac{1}{4\tilde{\epsilon}_1^2} \right) - 0.66 \frac{13.6 \text{ eV}}{\tilde{\epsilon}_{12}^2} \quad (9)$$

and the energy levels of our quasiparticle in Fig. 1 can be represented as in Fig. 3.

III. GAP IN a - b PLANE

When the quasiparticle of Fig. 1 is created in the CuO_2 plane we may consider the s - d exchange spin-flip interaction⁴² of conduction spins with localized spins, where the conduction spin represents h_c of $O(2p)$ and the localized spin e_{Cu} of $\text{Cu}(3d)$ with spin-flip motion. The original Hamiltonian for the s - d exchange interaction is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
H_{sd} = & \sum_{k,\sigma} \varepsilon_{k\sigma} a_{k\sigma,\zeta}^+ a_{k\sigma,\zeta} \\
& + \frac{1}{2} U_c \sum_{k\kappa\mu} \sum_{l\nu} a_{k+\kappa,\mu\zeta}^+ a_{k,\mu\zeta} a_{l+\nu,\nu\zeta}^+ a_{l+\kappa,\nu\zeta} \\
& - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N_0} \sum_{k,\kappa} J_{sd}(\kappa) \exp(i\kappa R_i) \\
& \times [S_i^\zeta (a_{k,\uparrow\zeta}^+ a_{k-\kappa,\uparrow\zeta} - a_{k,\downarrow\zeta}^+ a_{k-\kappa,\downarrow\zeta}) \\
& + S_i^+ a_{k,\downarrow\zeta}^+ a_{k-\kappa,\uparrow\zeta} + S_i^- a_{k,\uparrow\zeta}^+ a_{k-\kappa,\downarrow\zeta}], \quad (10)
\end{aligned}$$

where $a_{k\sigma,\zeta}^+$ is the creation operator of a conduction hole h_c with momentum $\hbar\mathbf{k}$, spin $\sigma = (\uparrow \text{ or } \downarrow)$, the quantization axis being in the direction of the ζ axis) and \mathbf{S}_i the localized spin at site \mathbf{R}_i , S_i^ζ its ζ component, $J_{sd}(\kappa)$ the Fourier component of the s - d or p - d exchange integral, U_c the Fourier component of the screened Coulomb interaction, s the magnitude of local spin, N_0 is the number of local spins, and N total number of spins. Using a canonical transformation and as a result to obtain an electron-electron interaction,⁴² the effective Hamiltonian can thus be written as

$$\begin{aligned}
H = & \sum_k \varepsilon_{k,\sigma} a_{k,\sigma}^+ a_{k,\sigma} + \frac{2J_{sd}^2}{3N^2 k_B T} \\
& \times N_0 s(s+1) \sum_{k,k',q,\sigma} a_{k,\sigma}^+ a_{k-q,-\sigma} a_{k',-\sigma}^+ a_{k'+q,\sigma}. \quad (11)
\end{aligned}$$

For $T < T_M$ we have $s(s+1)/3k_B T_M \equiv s/g\mu_B \langle H_i \rangle$, where T_M represents the saturation temperature of spin flips, H_i the local field within local spins, g the electron Lande factor, and μ_B the Bohr magneton.

In the Hartree-Fock approximation we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle a_{k,\sigma}^+ a_{k-q,-\sigma} a_{k',-\sigma}^+ a_{k'+q,\sigma} \rangle & \sim - \langle a_{k,\sigma}^+ a_{k,\sigma} \rangle a_{k-q,\sigma'}^+ a_{k-q,\sigma'} \\
& - \langle a_{k,\sigma}^+ a_{k+q,\sigma} \rangle a_{k,\sigma'}^+ a_{k-q,\sigma'}.
\end{aligned}$$

In the s - d exchange integral we use the Pytte approximation⁴³ for the lattice ionic displacement

$$\begin{aligned}
J_{sd}^2 = & J_{sd,0}^2 + \sum \nabla J_{sd}^2 \cdot d\mathbf{u} + \dots \approx J_{sd,0}^2 + \sum g_{sd}(b_q + b_{-q}^+), \\
d\mathbf{u} = & \mathbf{u}(j) - \mathbf{u}(j+1), \\
\mathbf{u}(j) = & \frac{1}{\sqrt{m^*N}} \sum_{\mathbf{q}} \mathbf{e}(\mathbf{q}) e^{i\mathbf{q}\cdot\mathbf{R}_j} Q(\mathbf{q}), \\
Q(\mathbf{q}) = & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\omega_0}} (b_q + b_{-q}^+), \quad (12)
\end{aligned}$$

where g_{sd} represents a coupling constant and b_q an annihilation operator for the Gell-Mann and Brueckner-type phonon³⁶ for copper ions, where

$$g_{sd}(q) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\omega_0}} \left[\frac{\mathbf{e}(q)}{\sqrt{m^*N}} \cdot \nabla J_{sd}^2 \right] (e^{i\mathbf{q}\cdot\mathbf{R}_j} - e^{i\mathbf{q}\cdot\mathbf{R}_{j+1}}),$$

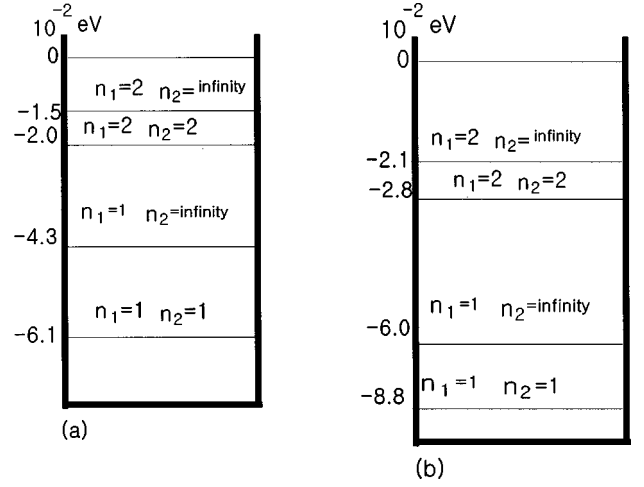


FIG. 3. Energy levels, (a) $\bar{\varepsilon}_1=25$, $\bar{\varepsilon}_2=27$, $\bar{\varepsilon}_{12}=30$; (b) $\bar{\varepsilon}_1=20$, $\bar{\varepsilon}_2=22$, $\bar{\varepsilon}_{12}=27$.

\mathbf{e} is a polarization vector, m^* is the effective mass of copper ion, N is the number of lattice-ions, and ω_0 is the wave number of the phonon from copper ions and the order of g_{sd} is $O(g_{sd}) \sim O(J_{sd}/\sqrt{\omega_{ph}})$. The resultant Hamiltonian thus becomes

$$\begin{aligned}
H_{\text{eff}} \approx & \sum_k \varepsilon_k a_k^+ a_k + \sum_q \hbar \omega_q b_q^+ b_q \\
& - \frac{2J_{sd,0}^2 N_0 s(s+1)}{3k_B T} \sum_{k,k'} \langle a_{k'}^+ a_{k'} \rangle a_k^+ a_k \\
& + \frac{2N_0 s(s+1)}{3k_B T} \sum_{k,k',q} \langle a_{k'}^+ a_{k'+q} \rangle g_{sd} a_k^+ a_{k-q} (b_q \\
& + b_{-q}^+), \quad (13)
\end{aligned}$$

where $\langle a_k^+ a_{k+q} \rangle = n(q)$ is the hole momentum distribution, ω_q is from the phonon of copper ions.

We can then apply the Haken's recipe⁴⁴ to transform the Hamiltonian to the weak-coupling BCS-type^{25,26} for the sake of an estimate:

$$\begin{aligned}
\tilde{H}_{sd}^{\text{BCS}} = & \sum_k (\varepsilon_k - \varepsilon_{sd}) a_k^+ a_k + \sum_{k,k',q} \frac{1}{2} U_c(q) a_{k+q}^+ a_k a_{k'}^+ a_{k'+q} \\
& + \sum_{k,k',q} \frac{|g_{sd}|^2 \hbar \omega_q}{(\varepsilon_{k+q} - \varepsilon_k)^2 - (\hbar \omega_q)^2} \\
& \times \left(\frac{2N_0 s(s+1)}{3k_B T} \right)^2 n(q) n(-q) \\
& \times a_{k+q}^+ a_k a_{k'}^+ a_{k'+q}, \quad (14)
\end{aligned}$$

where U_c represents Coulomb interaction and

$$\varepsilon_{sd} = \frac{2J_{sd,0}^2 N_0 s(s+1)}{3k_B T} \sum_k \langle a_k^+ a_k \rangle. \quad (15)$$

This Hamiltonian is effective during the decoupling only if $\varepsilon_k - \varepsilon_{k+q} \approx \varepsilon_{k-q} - \varepsilon_k$, $g_{sd}(q) \approx g_{sd}(-q)$. For $T < T_M$ we can set $T = T_M$ and

TABLE I. We have a phenomenological parameter $\Gamma(T_c)$ due to the finiteness of $\Delta(T_c)$.

Materials	T_c (K)	$\hbar\omega$ (K)	$N(0)V _{T_c}$	$N(0)V _{T=0}$	$\frac{\hbar\omega}{\Delta(T_c)}\Gamma(T_c)$	$\frac{2\Delta(0)}{k_B T_c}$
La oxide	37	500	0.30	0.51	2.9	7.7
Bi oxide	90	800	0.33	0.56	0.13	6.0

$$U_{sd} \equiv \frac{2|g_{sd}|^2 \hbar\omega_q}{(\varepsilon_{k+q} - \varepsilon_k)^2 - (\hbar\omega_q)^2} \left(\frac{2N_0 s(s+1)}{3k_B T} \right)^2 n(q)n(-q). \quad (16)$$

The order of U_{sd} is

$$U_{sd} \sim \frac{J_{sd}^2}{\omega_{ph}} \frac{1}{\omega_{ph}} \left(\frac{100}{100} \right)^2 (0.1)^2 \sim 1 \quad \text{if } \frac{J_{sd}}{\omega_{ph}} \sim 10.$$

From the weak-coupling BCS formalism for the sake of an estimate the superconducting gap is expected at T_c given by

$$T_c = 1.14 \hbar\omega \exp \left[1 / \{ N(\varepsilon_F^{sd}) [U_{sd} + U_c]_{av} |_{T_c} \} \right] \times \left[\tanh \left(\frac{\hbar\omega}{\Delta(T_c)} \Gamma(T_c) \right) \right], \quad (17)$$

$\varepsilon_F^{sd} = \varepsilon_F - \varepsilon_{sd}$, and the suffix $[\]_{av}$ represents average value. The order of Coulomb interaction U_c between the O(2p) conduction holes h_c of the Cooper pair in Fig. 1 from the values of Fig. 3 is

$$O(U_c) \approx O \left(\frac{e^2}{2\varepsilon_i r_{h_c - h_{Cu}}} \right) \sim O \left(\frac{13.6 \text{ eV}}{\varepsilon_i} \right) \leq O(1 \text{ eV}),$$

$$U_c \ll U_p \sim 3 \text{ eV},$$

where $r_{h_c - h_{Cu}}$ is the distance between h_c and h_{Cu} in Fig. 1 and ε_i is given from Eqs. (1)–(9), U_p is the on-site repulsion in p orbital. The largeness of ε_i is due to the sufficient screening of e_{Cu} to h_c in Fig. 1 as if h_c and e_{Cu} nearly stick together as a Kondo or s - d bound pair shown in Eqs. (10)–(13). It becomes

$$U_{sd}(q) + U_c(q) \equiv \frac{2\pi e^2 N(\varepsilon_F^{sd})}{q\epsilon(0,q)},$$

where ϵ is the longitudinal permittivity. Although for Cu, metallic hydrogen the permittivity becomes $\epsilon > 0$ from Ginzburg's work,⁶⁴ in the case of O it may be $\epsilon(0, q \neq 0) < 0$ where the direct calculations^{65,66} will be needed.

Since the pseudogap^{27–32,60} can make the superconducting gap at T_c finite (which will be discussed in our later paper) we have $\Delta(T_c) \neq 0$. The additional term of \tanh to the BCS form can be derived as follows:

Using the BCS-like formalism, we find

$$k_B T_c \approx 1.14 \hbar\omega \exp \left[\frac{-1}{N(0)V|_{T_c}} \tanh \left(\frac{\hbar\omega}{\Delta(T_c)} \Gamma(T_c) \right) \right], \quad (18)$$

$$2\Delta(0) = 2\hbar\omega / \sinh \left[\frac{1}{N(0)V|_{T=0}} \right], \quad (19)$$

where $V = |(U_{sd} + U_c)_{av}|$, $\Gamma(T_c)$ is a phenomenological parameter. Then,

$$\frac{2\Delta(0)}{k_B T_c} \approx 3.5 \exp \left[\frac{1}{N(0)V|_{T_c}} \left(\tanh \left(\frac{\hbar\omega}{\Delta(T_c)} \Gamma(T_c) \right) - \frac{V|_{T_c}}{V|_{T=0}} \right) \right], \quad (20)$$

where the ratio is shown in the Table I.

IV. RESISTIVITY IN a - b PLANE

Kim's s - d scattering mechanism^{45–49} was extended successfully to a general system by Kondo.^{50,51} This Kondo-type spin scattering⁵⁰ can be shown to be valid also at high temperatures of the magnitude larger than a few kelvins. The main term of the spin scattering of conducting holes is

$$(J_{sd,0})^2 \sum_{\kappa} \frac{[1 - f(\varepsilon_{k-\kappa}^{sd})]}{\varepsilon_{k-\kappa}^{sd} - \varepsilon_k^{sd}}, \quad (21)$$

where f represents the Fermi-Dirac distribution function and $\varepsilon_k^{sd} = \varepsilon_k - \varepsilon_{sd}$. At high temperatures of $T \gg T_{\text{Kondo}}$, we have

$$T_{\text{Kondo}} = \alpha W \exp[-N/(2|J_{sd,0}|N(\varepsilon_F^{sd}))] \sim 0 \text{ K},$$

$$1 - f(\varepsilon_{k-\kappa}^{sd}) \approx 1 - f(\varepsilon_F^{sd}) - \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial \varepsilon} \right|_{\varepsilon_F^{sd}} (\varepsilon_{k-\kappa}^{sd} - \varepsilon_F^{sd}),$$

where the second term becomes important at $\varepsilon_F^{sd} \neq \varepsilon_F$, α a constant related to $J_{sd,0}$ in the range of $0.1 \leq \alpha \leq 0.5$, W the conduction-band width, and αW corresponds to an effective bandwidth and $J_{sd,0}$ is smaller than a normal Kondo exchange interaction, J_{Kondo} in other materials. We thus have

$$\sum_{\kappa} \frac{[1 - f(\varepsilon_{k-\kappa}^{sd})]}{\varepsilon_{k-\kappa}^{sd} - \varepsilon_k^{sd}} \approx -N(\varepsilon_F^{sd}) \{1 - f(\varepsilon_F^{sd})\} \ln \left(\frac{k_B T}{\alpha W} \right) + \int_{k_B T}^{\alpha W} \frac{\partial f}{\partial \varepsilon} \Big|_{\varepsilon_F^{sd}} N(\varepsilon_F^{sd}) d\varepsilon, \quad (22)$$

where $N(\varepsilon)$ is the density of states.

We can thus obtain from the Kondo-type formalism the resistance in the a - b plane of the high- T_c superconductors at temperatures higher than T_c as due to the spin scattering as follows:

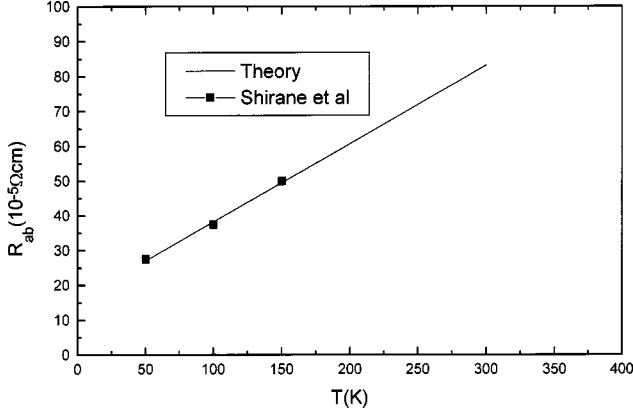


FIG. 4. The in-plane resistivity, R_{ab} from the experiment (Ref. 27) and our theory.

$$R(T) \approx N_0 R_0 \left[1 + \frac{4J_{sd,0}}{N} N(\varepsilon_F^{sd}) \{1 - f(\varepsilon_F^{sd})\} \ln\left(\frac{k_B T}{\alpha W}\right) + \frac{4J_{sd,0}}{N} N(\varepsilon_F^{sd}) f'(\varepsilon_F^{sd}) (k_B T) \right]. \quad (23)$$

At very high temperature of the order, ~ 100 K when $1 - f(\varepsilon_F^{sd}) \approx 0$ can be neglected and $f'(\varepsilon_F^{sd})$ is nearly flat and near to zero for high temperatures, we obtain

$$R(T) \approx N_0 R_0 \left[1 + \frac{4J_{sd,0}}{N} N(\varepsilon_F^{sd}) f'(\varepsilon_F^{sd}) (k_B T) \right], \quad (24)$$

with

$$N_0 R_0 \equiv \frac{2\pi N(\varepsilon_F^{sd}) m N'_0}{z e^2 \hbar} [(J_{sd,0})^2 s(s+1)], \quad (25)$$

where m represents the effective mass of the $2p$ hole, N'_0 the total number of $3d$ electrons, and z the average number of the nearest $3d$ electrons. For $z = N_0$ we can obtain the a - b plane resistivity of Fig. 4 as fitted by Table II in agreement with experimental values.

V. c -AXIS RESISTIVITY

Experimental evidences are available^{52,53} for a close relation of the hole hopping along the c axis with oxygen atoms of different oxide planes. In our model oxygen, O of the CuO_2 planes and oxygens, \tilde{O} in other oxide planes are contributing to the c -axis resistivity through the superexchange interaction as shown in Fig. 5, for the overlap between $O(2p)$ and the extended $\tilde{O}(3s)$ happens. For $\tilde{\varepsilon}_k - \tilde{\varepsilon}_q \approx \varepsilon_k - \varepsilon_q$ we have $\langle \tilde{a}_k^+ \tilde{a}_k \rangle = \tilde{f}(\tilde{\varepsilon}_k)$, where a refers to oxygens of CuO_2 and \tilde{a} to oxygens of the other oxide planes. The dominating factor from the superexchange interaction of Fig. 5 is

TABLE II. We choose $N(\varepsilon_F^{sd}) \sim 1/\text{eV}$ for La-Sr-Cu-O.

$N_0 R_0$	$N(\varepsilon_F^{sd})$	$J_{sd,0}$	$f'(\varepsilon_F^{sd})$
15.8	1/eV	-0.5 eV	-0.0071

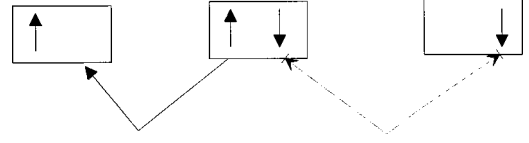


FIG. 5. The left and right orbitals of $O(2p)$ in CuO_2 planes and the middle occupied orbital of $O(3s)$ in other oxide layers.

$$\left[J_O^2 \sum_q \frac{\tilde{f}_q}{\tilde{\varepsilon}_k - \tilde{\varepsilon}_q} \right] \left[J_O^2 \sum_q \frac{1 - f_q}{\varepsilon_k - \varepsilon_q} \right], \quad (26)$$

where J_O represents the exchange interaction between a hole from $O(2p)$ of CuO_2 plane and an electron from $O(3s)$ of other oxide planes. Thus the Kondo formalism⁵⁰ of the superexchange interaction through the extended $O(3s)$ orbitals of different oxide planes gives rise to the c -axis resistivity as

$$R_c = R_{\text{const}} \left[1 + f(\varepsilon_F) \frac{4J_O}{N} N(\varepsilon_F) \ln\left(\frac{k_B T}{\alpha W}\right) - f'(\varepsilon_F) \frac{4J_O}{N} N(\varepsilon_F) (k_B T) \right] \times \left[1 + \{1 - f(\tilde{\varepsilon}_F^{sd})\} \frac{4J_O}{N} N(\tilde{\varepsilon}_F^{sd}) \ln\left(\frac{k_B T}{\alpha W}\right) + f'(\tilde{\varepsilon}_F^{sd}) \frac{4J_O}{N} N(\tilde{\varepsilon}_F^{sd}) k_B T \right] + R'_{\text{const}}, \quad (27)$$

where $R_{\text{const}} = N_0 R'_0 (J_O / N k_B T_c)^{2\frac{3}{4}}$, $R'_0 = R_0 (J_{sd,0} \rightarrow J_O)$, $\tilde{\varepsilon}_F^{sd} = \varepsilon_F - \varepsilon_{sd}^c = \varepsilon_F^{sd} (J_{sd,0} \rightarrow J_O)$, R'_{const} another constant term from nonsuperexchange parts.

We define

$$\Lambda^c(T) \equiv \left(\frac{J_O}{N k_B T_c} \right)^2 \frac{3}{4} \left[1 + f(\varepsilon_F) \frac{4J_O}{N} N(\varepsilon_F) \ln\left(\frac{k_B T}{\alpha W}\right) - f'(\varepsilon_F) \frac{4J_O}{N} N(\varepsilon_F) k_B T \right]. \quad (28)$$

R_c has three type behaviors in agreement with experiments according to αW , the overlap between $O(2p)$ and $O(3s)$. When αW is sufficiently large relative to $k_B T$, we

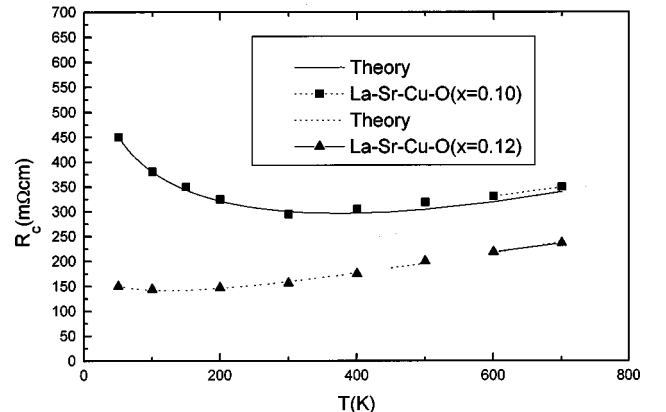


FIG. 6. The resistivity of the c axis, R_c versus temperature for $\text{La}_{2-x}\text{Sr}_x\text{CuO}_4$ materials (Ref. 54) where the special notation from experiment.

TABLE III. We choose the parameters where $J_O \sim -0.5$ eV, $N(\epsilon_F) \sim 1/\text{eV}$, and $f(\epsilon_F) = 0.6$.

Materials	R_{const}	R'_{const}	$\log(\alpha W)$	$f'(\epsilon_F^{sd})$	$f'(\epsilon_F)$
La-Sr-Cu-O ($x=0.12$)	13	193	8.2	-3.0×10^{-2}	-1.0×10^{-3}
La-Sr-Cu-O ($x=0.10$)	57	679	8.0	-4.5×10^{-2}	-3.8×10^{-4}

can neglect $\ln(k_B T/\alpha W)$ for $f(\epsilon_F)$ is very small relative to $f'(\epsilon_F)$ so to be $R_c \propto (1+aT+b \log T)$. When αW is extremely large the resistivity becomes $R_c \propto (1+aT)$ because of $f(\epsilon_F^{sd}) \approx 1$, where a and b are constants. Our theoretical values are in good agreement with the experimental values of Zha *et al.*⁵⁴ as can be seen from Fig. 6 and Table III.

With respect to this superexchange interaction along the c axis in the superconducting state, the energies for $2p$ orbitals in the copper-oxide planes and $3s$ orbitals in the non-copper-oxide planes are given as

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_{3s}(\uparrow\downarrow) &= E_0 + 2\epsilon_s, \\
 E_{2p}(\uparrow\uparrow) &= E_0 + 2\epsilon_p - \frac{1}{4}J_O, \\
 E_{2p}(\uparrow\downarrow) &= E_0 + 2\epsilon_p + \frac{1}{4}J_O.
 \end{aligned} \tag{29}$$

The superexchange interaction of Fig. 5 through ($3s$) orbitals of the non-copper-oxide planes is given by

$$J_O = \left(\frac{2t_0^2}{\epsilon_s} \right)^2 \left(-\frac{1}{\epsilon_s} + \frac{2}{\epsilon_p + U_p} \right), \tag{30}$$

where t_0 represents the amplitude of hybridization between $2p$ and $3s$ orbitals, and U_p the on-site repulsion in $2p$ orbitals. If we have $\epsilon_s - \epsilon_p \leq U_p \leq 2\epsilon_s - \epsilon_p$ and a temporary triplet pair of $2p$ orbitals, the energy difference between $2p$ and $3s$ orbitals should match the onsite repulsion U_p , that is, $2\epsilon_s - \epsilon_p = U_p$, in order to make free hopping between $2p$ and $3s$ orbitals in the superconducting state. This condition of J_O amounts to the *superexchange vacancy* in the oxide plane corresponding to the *Fermi vacancy*.⁵⁵ We expect then the c -axis holes to be superconductive through these vacancies over the barriers. The superconducting hole pairs from $O(2p)$ in CuO_2 planes will form two temporary triplet pairs in conjunction with the nonmagnetic electron pairs of $O(3s)$ in the non-copper-oxide planes, where one pair gets an energy gain by $\frac{1}{4}J_O$ and the other pair with an energy loss of $-\frac{1}{4}J_O$. This mechanism of the c -axis superconductivity is equivalent to the violation and recovery of Pauli principle.⁵⁶

In the c -axis resistivity T_c corresponds to the saturation temperature of spin flips, and the global structure of the c -axis formalism follows the BCS theory.^{25,26} With appropriate substitutions of J_{sd} by J_{sd}^c , g_{sd} by g_{sd}^c , ϵ_{sd} by ϵ_{sd}^c , and U_{sd} by U_{sd}^c , we have

$$(J_{sd,0}^c)^2 = J_O^2 \Lambda^c(T), \tag{31}$$

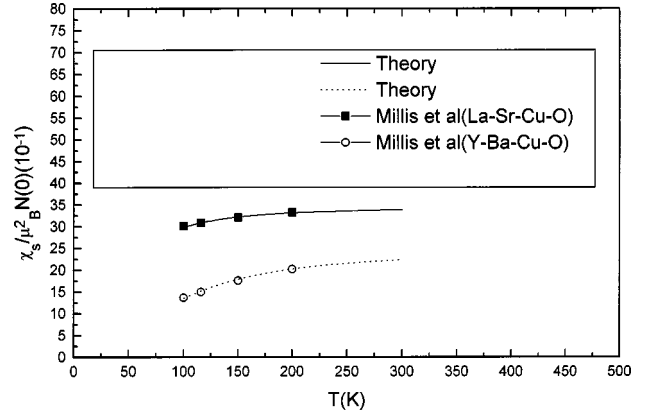


FIG. 7. Spin susceptibilities obtained from the experiment (Ref. 60) and fitted with our theoretical model. The upper graph is for $\text{La}_{1.86}\text{Sr}_{0.14}\text{CuO}_4$ and the lower one is for $\text{YBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_{6.6}$, where the diamagnetic correction is added and special notations from experiments.

$$\begin{aligned}
 U_{sd}^c &= \frac{2|g_{cd}^c|^2 \hbar \omega_q}{(\epsilon_{k+q} - \epsilon_k)^2 - (\hbar \omega_q)^2} \\
 &\quad \times \left(\frac{2N_0 s(s+1)}{3k_B T} \right)^2 n(q)n(-q),
 \end{aligned} \tag{32}$$

$$\epsilon_{sd}^c = \frac{2(J_{sd,0}^c)^2 N_0 s(s+1)}{3k_B T} \sum_k \langle a_k^+ a_k \rangle, \tag{33}$$

and $T_c^{c\text{-axis}}$ is given as

$$T_c^{c\text{-axis}} = 1.14 \hbar \omega \exp \left(\frac{1}{N(\epsilon_F - \epsilon_{sd}^c)(U_{sd}^c + U_c)_{\text{av}}|_{T_c^{c\text{-axis}}}} \right). \tag{34}$$

VI. MAGNETIC SUSCEPTIBILITY

Considering only Coulomb interactions the magnetic susceptibility becomes⁴⁶

$$(\chi_{zz})_{\text{bare}} = 2\mu_B^2 \frac{F(q, \omega)}{1 - [\tilde{V}_c(q)]F(q, \omega)}, \tag{35}$$

where $F(q, \omega) = \sum_k [f(\epsilon_k) - f(\epsilon_{k+q})]/(\epsilon_{k+q} - \epsilon_k - \hbar \omega)$ is the Lindhard function, $-\tilde{V}_c(q)$ the exchange part of Coulomb interaction. If we denote the exchange part of U_{sd} as $-\tilde{V}_{sd}(q)$ we can write the resultant magnetic susceptibility above T_c for HTSC as

$$\chi_{zz} = 2\mu_B^2 \frac{F^{sd}(q, \omega)}{1 - [\tilde{V}_c(q) + \tilde{V}_{sd}(q)]F^{sd}(q, \omega)}, \tag{36}$$

where the modified Lindhard function is given by $F^{sd}(q, \omega) = \sum_k [f(\epsilon_k^{sd}) - f(\epsilon_{k+q}^{sd})]/(\epsilon_{k+q}^{sd} - \epsilon_k^{sd} - \hbar \omega)$, $\epsilon_k^{sd} = \epsilon_k - \epsilon_{sd}$. The susceptibility can be put into a simple form as

$$\chi_{zz} = 2\mu_B^2 \frac{N(0)}{1 - [\tilde{V}_c(q) + \tilde{V}_{sd}(q)]}, \tag{37}$$

TABLE IV. We assume $F_{sd}(q,0) \approx N(\varepsilon_F) \approx 0.5$ states/eV.

Materials	$1 - V_c(q)$	$-V_{sd}(q) \times T^2$ (K^2)
La _{1.86} Sr _{0.14} CuO ₄	0.29	450
YBa ₂ Cu ₃ O _{6.6}	0.41	3320

where $\bar{V}_{sd}(q) = \tilde{V}_{sd}(q)N(0)$, $N(0) \approx F_{sd}(q,0)$. Using $\bar{V}_{sd}(q) \propto 1/T^2$ and $N(0) \approx N(\varepsilon_F)$ we obtain Fig. 7 in agreement with experimental results with parameters given in Table IV.

VII. NUCLEAR-SPIN-RELAXATION RATES

The spin-relaxation rate of Cu from direct s - d exchange and indirect superexchange interactions is given by⁵⁷

$$(T_1)^{-1} = (T_1)_D^{-2} + (T_1)_{ID}^{-1}, \quad (38)$$

where the Kondo-type spin-relaxation rate $(T_1)_D^{-1}$ is given by

$$(T_1)_D^{-1} = (T_1)_{\text{Korringa}}^{-1} \left[1 + \frac{4J_{sd,0}}{N} f(\varepsilon_F^{sd}) N(\varepsilon_F^{sd}) \log\left(\frac{k_B T}{\alpha W}\right) - \frac{4J_{sd,0}}{N} f'(\varepsilon_F^{sd}) N(\varepsilon_F^{sd}) k_B T \right] \quad (39)$$

and

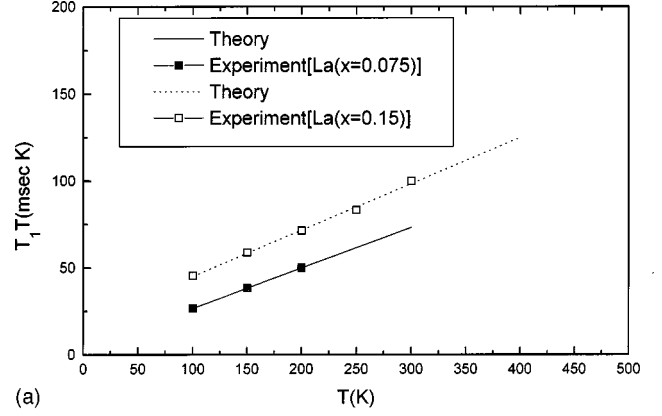
$$(T_1)_{\text{Korringa}}^{-1} = \frac{4\pi}{\hbar} (J_{sd,0})^2 N^2(\varepsilon_F^{sd}) k_B T. \quad (40)$$

Following Emery and Reiter⁵⁷ the superexchange interaction through O sites occupied by holes doubly is given by

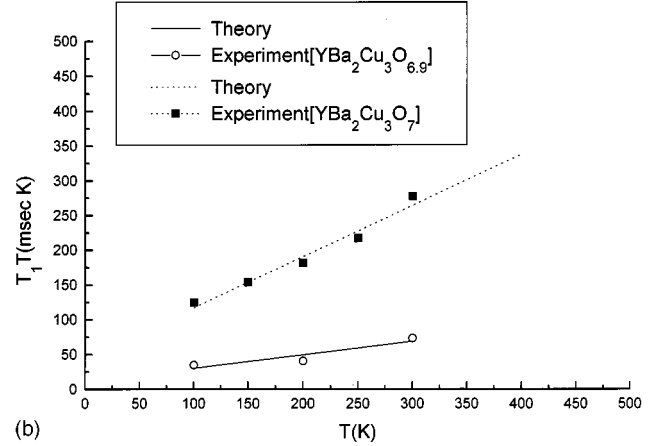
$$J'_{sd} = -\left(\frac{2t_0^2}{V}\right)^2 \frac{2}{2\varepsilon} + \left(\frac{2t_0^2}{V}\right)^2 \frac{1}{U_d}, \quad (41)$$

where t_0 represents the hopping integral between Cu and O, V the interaction between copper-site electrons and oxygen-site holes, U_d the on-site repulsion at copper sites, and ε the energy difference between the copper-site electron and oxygen-site hole. We can put $J'_{sd,d} = (2t_0^2/V)^2 (1/U_d)$ to obtain⁵⁷ $J'_{sd,d} \approx 0.12$ eV. The corresponding spin-relaxation rate from the superexchange interaction is given by

$$(T_1)_{ID}^{-1} = \left[\frac{4\pi}{\hbar} (J'_{sd,d})^2 \frac{N^2(0)}{N^2} k_B T - \frac{4\pi}{\hbar} (J'_{sd,d})^2 \frac{N^2(0)}{N^2} 2U_d \int_{\varepsilon_F + k_B T}^{\infty} \frac{f(\varepsilon)[1-f(\varepsilon)]}{\varepsilon - \varepsilon_F} d\varepsilon + \frac{4\pi}{\hbar} (J'_{sd,d})^2 \frac{N^2(0)}{N^2} \frac{U_d^2}{k_B T} \int_{\varepsilon_F + \gamma U_d}^{\infty} \frac{f(\varepsilon)[1-f(\varepsilon)] k_B T}{(\varepsilon - \varepsilon_F)^2} d\varepsilon \right]. \quad (42)$$



(a)



(b)

FIG. 8. Spin-relaxation rates obtained from experiments (Refs. 59 and 60) and fitted with our theoretical model. The graph of a line form is for our theoretical model. (a) Graph is for La-Sr-Cu-O; (b) The other one is for Y-Ba-Cu-O.

We can use $\int_1^{\infty} (e^x dx) / [x(e^x + 1)^2] = 0.15$, $\gamma = |f'(\varepsilon_F) / f(\varepsilon_F)| k_B T$, and

$$\int_{\frac{\gamma U_d}{k_B T}}^{\infty} \frac{e^x dx}{x^2 (e^x + 1)^2} \equiv \beta(U_d),$$

where the lower limit of the integral comes from the higher-order expansion of the integrand near Fermi energy, to obtain the resultant spin-relaxation rate above T_c as follows:

$$[T_1 T]^{-1} \approx \frac{4\pi}{\hbar} (J'_{sd,d})^2 \frac{N^2(0)}{N^2} (0.3U_d) \frac{1}{T + T_{cw}} - \frac{4\pi}{\hbar} (J'_{sd,d})^2 \frac{N^2(0)}{N^2} k_B, \quad (43)$$

where the order of magnitude is estimated to give $O(U_d) \approx O(10^2) O(k_B T)$ and $O[(T_1)_{ID}^{-1}] \sim O(10) O[(T_1)_D^{-1}]$. The Curie-Weiss-like temperature is given by

TABLE V. The parameters are obtained from fitting values.

Materials	$J'_{sd,d}$ (eV)	$N(0)$ (states/eV)	U_d (eV)	T_{cw} (K)	N
La _{1.85}	0.12	0.22	7.2	69	10^5
Y-O ₇	0.12	0.22	2.6	59	10^5

$$T_{\text{CW}} = \frac{\beta(U_d)}{0.3} \frac{U_d}{k_B} \ll T_c. \quad (44)$$

Figure 8 and Table V show a good agreement between theory and experiment. Below the onset temperature of pseudospin gap, T_{PG} the renormalized spin-relaxation rate is given by⁵⁸

$$[TT_1]^{-1} \simeq \frac{4\pi}{\hbar} (J'_{sd,d})^2 \frac{N^2(0)}{N^2} (0.3U_d) \times \frac{1}{T_{\text{PG}} + T_{\text{CW}}} \frac{I(T, \omega)}{I(T_{\text{PG}}, \omega)}, \quad (45)$$

where

$$I(T, \omega) = 2 \int_{\Delta_{\text{PG}}}^{\infty} dE \frac{[E(E + \omega) + \Delta_{\text{PG}}^2] \left(-\frac{\partial f}{\partial E} \right)}{(E^2 - \Delta_{\text{PG}}^2)^{1/2} [(E + \omega)^2 - \Delta_{\text{PG}}^2]^{1/2}}, \quad (46)$$

and ω represents an infinitesimal energy and Δ_{PG} is the pseudospin gap. The spin-relaxation rate below T_c has no Hebel-Slichter peak due to finiteness of $\Delta_{\text{PG}}(T_c)$.²³

VIII. CONCLUSION

We have constructed a theoretical scheme for high- T_c superconductivity based on the electron-hole composite quasiparticle concept. Using this concept we have investigated the in-plane resistivity R_{ab} . The measured T -linear contribution is satisfactorily explained by the Kondo-type s - d spin scatterings as shown in Fig. 4. We have also shown that the resistivity along the c axis, R_c , is dominated by the superexchange interaction between $O(2p)$ in copper planes and $O(3s)$ in non-copper-oxide planes. As shown in Fig. 6, according to the doping rates R_c shows three type behaviors in accordance with experiments. The magnetic susceptibility

and nuclear-spin-relaxation rates $[T_1T]^{-1}$ are also explained by the same concept of s - d interaction. The transition temperature T_c in a - b planes is determined by the Kondo-type s - d scatterings U_{sd} . We can predict by our model the anomaly from nonsuperconducting electrons near Kondo temperature, $T_{\text{Kondo}} \sim 0$ K, which will be published elsewhere in more details. U_{sd} is the interaction from local spin flippings mediated by Gell-Mann and Breuckner-type phonons (GB-phonons). In this interaction GB-phonons play a role of *antiferromagnetic attractor*. It means that for a singlet Cooper pair, a hole of a spin-up interacts with the localized spins with spin-down and the other hole of a spin-down interacts with the local spins with spin-up. As shown in Fig. 1, the copper ion is bound up with one core hole at low temperatures below T_c , for intermediately positioned electrons of these quasiparticles seldom overlap with each other. At high temperatures above T_c the copper ion becomes coupled with two core holes of a singlet, which are from overlapped quasiparticles. This is similar to a reverse case of the spin-Peierls transition⁴³ without lattice instability. The clue of this phenomenon is that the wave number of copper phonon above T_c is $1/\sqrt{2}$ times smaller than that below T_c because of the change of effective mass of core holes coupled to copper ions as shown in Fig. 2. The change of copper phonons is observed in Raman experiments.⁶¹⁻⁶³ Because the gap is finite at T_c , T_c is modified by tanh term in BCS formulation as shown above. The transition temperature $T_c^{c\text{-axis}}$ along the c axis is completely governed by superexchange interaction between $O(2p)$ in copper planes and $O(3s)$ in non-copper-oxide planes, U_{sd}^c totally different from the properties in a - b planes.

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