

User-friendly software for modeling collective spin wave excitations

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Calculating Spin Waves

• Write Hamiltonian in terms of local spin operators

 $\bar{\boldsymbol{S}}_i = \underline{U}_i \boldsymbol{S}_i$

• Holstein–Primakoff transformation

$$S_{+} = \sqrt{2S}a \quad S_{-} = \sqrt{2S}a^{\dagger} \quad S_{z} = S - a^{\dagger}a$$

• expand in powers of $\frac{1}{\sqrt{S}}$

 $H = H_0 + H_1 + H_2 + \dots$

- Determine spin configuration that minimizes the classical energy (H_0) .
- Check that the first order terms (H_1) vanish.

Calculating Spin Waves, cont.

• Determine elements in matrix

$$H_{2} = \sum_{\boldsymbol{q}} \boldsymbol{v}_{\boldsymbol{q}}^{\dagger} \cdot L(\boldsymbol{q}) \cdot \boldsymbol{v}_{\boldsymbol{q}} \qquad \boldsymbol{v}_{\boldsymbol{q}} = \left(a_{\boldsymbol{q}}^{1}, ..., a_{\boldsymbol{q}}^{M}, a_{-\boldsymbol{q}}^{1\dagger}, ..., a_{-\boldsymbol{q}}^{M\dagger}\right)$$

- Bogoliubov transformation
 - basis transformation such that H becomes diagonal

$$H_2 = \sum_{\boldsymbol{q}} \boldsymbol{w}_{\boldsymbol{q}}^{\dagger} \cdot L'(\boldsymbol{q}) \cdot \boldsymbol{w}_{\boldsymbol{q}}$$

- Inelastic neutron scattering cross section
 - spin-spin correlation function

$$\begin{split} S_{\alpha\beta}(\mathbf{q},\omega) &= \frac{1}{2\pi N} \int dt \, e^{-i\omega t} \sum_{i,j} e^{-i\mathbf{q}\cdot(\mathbf{R}_i - \mathbf{R}_j)} \langle S_{i\alpha}(0) S_{j\beta}(t) \rangle \\ \langle \boldsymbol{S}_i^{\alpha}(0) \boldsymbol{S}_j^{\beta}(t) \rangle &= \langle (\underline{U}_i^{-1} \bar{\boldsymbol{S}}_i(0))^{\alpha} (\underline{U}_j^{-1} \bar{\boldsymbol{S}}_j(t))^{\beta} \rangle \end{split} \quad \begin{array}{c} \mathsf{JT}_{\mathsf{RS}} \\ \mathsf{RS}_i^{\alpha}(0) \boldsymbol{S}_j^{\beta}(t) \rangle &= \langle (\underline{U}_i^{-1} \bar{\boldsymbol{S}}_i(0))^{\alpha} (\underline{U}_j^{-1} \bar{\boldsymbol{S}}_j(t))^{\beta} \rangle \end{split}$$

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Introducing SpinWaveGenie

<u>Https://GitHub.com/SpinWaveGenie/SpinWaveGenie</u>

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- BSD 3-clause license
- Platforms
 - MacOS (10.13 High Sierra or later)
 - Homebrew formula
 - Linux (GCC 7+)
 - .spec file for building rpms
 - Windows (MSVC 2017)
- Required Dependencies
 - Boost, Eigen, Python, Numpy

Simplifying Spin Wave Calculations

- Python interface
 - Written in C++
- Abstraction & Encapsulation
 - Generate unit cell

cell = swg.Cell()

cell.setBasisVectors(1.0,10.0,10.0,90.0,90.0,90.0)

- Cell contains Sublattices

Spin0 = swg.Sublattice()
spin0.setName("Spin0")
spin0.setMoment(1.0,0.0,0.0)
cell.addSublattice(Spin0)
spin1 = swg.Sublattice()
spin1.setName("Spin1")

spin1.setMoment(1.0,180.0,0.0)

cell.addSublattice(spin1)

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Simplifying Spin Wave Calculations

- Sublattice contains atoms cell.addAtom("Spin0",0.0,0.0,0.0) cell.addAtom("Spin1",0.5,0.0,0.0)
- Interactions are between sublattices

builder = swg.SpinWaveBuilder(cell) interactions = swg.InteractionFactory() direction = [1.0,0.0,0.0] builder.addInteraction(interactions.getAnisotropy("D",1.0,direction,"spin0")) builder.addInteraction(interactions.getAnisotropy("D",1.0,direction,"spin1")) builder.addInteraction(interactions.getExchange("J",-1.0,"spin0","spin1",0.49,0.51))

- Calculating spin waves

afm = builder.createElement()
afm.createMatrix(0.1,0.0,0.0)
afm.calculate()
results = afm.getResults()

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Adding interactions

• Inherit from abstract base class

class Interaction {

public:

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virtual void calculateEnergy(const Cell &cell, double &energy) = 0;

virtual void calculateFirstOrderTerms(const Cell &cell, Eigen::VectorXcd &elements) = 0;

virtual void calcConstantValues(const Cell &cell) = 0;

virtual void updateMatrix(const Eigen::Vector3d &K, Eigen::MatrixXcd &LN) const = 0;
};

InteractionsFactory

Available Interactions

Isotropic Exchange

$$H_{exch} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \neq j} J_{ij} \mathbf{S}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_j$$

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$$H_{DM} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i \neq j} \mathbf{D}_{ij} \cdot \mathbf{S}_i \times \mathbf{S}_j$$

Single-Ion Anisotropy

$$H_{anis} = \sum_{i} K_i \left(\hat{\boldsymbol{u}}_i \cdot \mathbf{S}_i \right)^2$$

• External Magnetic Field

$$H_B = -\mathbf{B} \cdot \sum_i \mathbf{S}_i$$



Resolution Function

class OneDimensionalShapes { public: virtual void setTolerance(double InTolerance) = 0;

virtual double getMinimumEnergy() = 0;

virtual double getMaximumEnergy() = 0;

virtual void setFrequency(double frequency) = 0;

virtual double getFunction(double energy) = 0;
};

- OneDimensionalFactory
- EnergyDependentGaussian
 - Parameters for ARCS, SEQUOIA, CNCS
 - https://dgsres.mcvine.org



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Post processing

class SpinWavePlot { public:

virtual const Cell &getCell() const = 0;

virtual const Energies &getEnergies() = 0;

virtual void setEnergies(const Energies & energies) = 0;

virtual std::vector<double> getCut(double kx, double ky, double kz) = 0;

• Combine multiple functions by making one the input of other



};

Additional Post-Processing

Convolution with resolution function

$$I(\boldsymbol{Q}_{0},\omega_{0}) = \iint F_{Q}^{2} S(\boldsymbol{Q},\omega) R(\boldsymbol{Q}-\boldsymbol{Q}_{0},\omega-\omega_{0}) d\boldsymbol{Q} d\omega$$

• Integrating over unseen directions

$$I(Q_x, \omega) = \frac{1}{A} \iint I(\boldsymbol{Q}, \omega) \, dQ_y \, dQ_z$$

Powder Averaging

$$I(Q,\omega) = \int \frac{d\Omega_{\hat{q}}}{4\pi} I(\boldsymbol{Q},\omega)$$

• Constant-energy cuts

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Output Formats

- 1 Dimension
 - Frequency/intensity pair
 - NumPy array
- 2 Dimensions
 - NumPy array
 - ASCII file
- 3 Dimensions
 - vtkStructuredGrid



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 $H = -J_1 \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle} \boldsymbol{S}_i \cdot \boldsymbol{S}_j - J_2 \sum_{\langle i,j \rangle'} \boldsymbol{S}_i \cdot \boldsymbol{S}_j$ $-D_1 \sum_{\boldsymbol{R}_j = \boldsymbol{R}_i + a(\hat{x} \pm \hat{y})} \hat{y} \cdot \boldsymbol{S}_i \times \boldsymbol{S}_j$ $-D_2 \sum_{\boldsymbol{R}_j = \boldsymbol{R}_i + a(\hat{x} \pm \hat{y})} \hat{z} \cdot \boldsymbol{S}_i \times \boldsymbol{S}_j$ $-K_a \sum_{i} \left(\boldsymbol{S}_i^x\right)^2 - K_c \sum_{i} \left(\boldsymbol{S}_i^z\right)^2$



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 $Mn_{1-x}Co_xV_2O_4$



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Mn_{1+x}Sb



A. E. Taylor et al., Phys. Rev. B 91, 224418 2015



MnO

Unit cell setup with Atomic Simulation
 Environment

• Powder calculation using Monte Carlo Integration



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Conclusions

- SpinWaveGenie abstracts and automates large portions of the work required to perform a detailed spin wave analysis in non-collinear systems.
 - Reduces time between measurement and publication
 - Opens inelastic neutron scattering to a larger community of scientists and engineers
- Post-processing routines for direct comparison with experimental data





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