# Nature of Striped Phases in Cuprates with x ~ 1/8





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# Summary

- Hybrid DFT calculations for Ca<sub>2</sub>CuO<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>
  - Electronic structure
- Magnetic anti-phase boundaries in  $Na_xCa_{2-x}CuO_2Cl_2 x=1/8$ 
  - Electronic structure
  - STM and STS data
- Small polarons in low-doped  $Na_xCa_{2-x}CuO_2Cl_2 x=1/32$ 
  - Polaron distortions
  - Electronic structure
  - Photoemission

#### **Electronic and Crystal Structures**



#### Undoped cuprate

Anti-ferromagnetic insulator Half-filled 3d x<sup>2</sup>-y<sup>2</sup> on each site





#### Single hole doping Zhang and Rice PRB (1988)

 $\Psi_{\mathsf{ZRS}} = (\phi(\alpha) \mathbf{d}(\beta) - \phi(\beta) \mathbf{d}(\alpha))$ 



#### Hybrid DFT $Ca_2CuO_2Cl_2$ $E_{xc} = (1-A)(E_x^{LDA} + BE_x^{Becke}) + AE_x^{HF} + (1-C)E_C^{VWN} + E_C^{LYP}$ B3LYP: A = 0.2, B = 0.9, C = 0.81 Becke (1993), Stephens (1994)





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### Cuprate stripe history

**Incommensurate Magnetic Fluctuations in La<sub>2-x</sub>Sr<sub>x</sub>CuO<sub>4</sub>**, S. W. Cheong *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. **67**, 1791-1794 (1991)

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# Zener Polaron Electronic Structure of $La_{1/2}Ca_{1/2}MnO_3$



Zheng and Patterson, Phys. Rev. B (2003)

### CE-type phase of La<sub>1/2</sub>Ca<sub>1/2</sub>MnO<sub>3</sub>





Patterson, Phys. Rev. B (2005)



#### 1-D Stripes Na<sub>x</sub>Ca<sub>2-x</sub>CuO<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> x=1/8



Y. Kohsaka et al. Science (2007) LCC 2007

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# Hybrid DFT: Na<sub>x</sub>Ca<sub>2-x</sub>CuO<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> x=1/8



Spin Density

#### Hybrid DFT: Na<sub>x</sub>Ca<sub>2-x</sub>CuO<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> x=1/8



Stripe Band Wave Function Amplitude ( $\Gamma$  point)

#### Spectral weight of Nd-LCSO near $\varepsilon_f$

 $Na_{0.12}Ca_{1.88}CuO_2Cl_2$ 



Zhou et al. Phys. Rev. Lett. (2001)

(a) x=0.10, 30 meV
(b) x=0.10, 300 meV
(c) x=0.15, 30 meV
(d) x=0.15, 300 meV

### 4x4 'Tile' Phase in Na<sub>0.1</sub>Ca<sub>1.9</sub>CuO<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>



Hanaguri et al. Nature (2004)

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Magnetic Anti-Phase Boundaries



Spin Density

#### Hybrid DFT: Na<sub>x</sub>Ca<sub>2-x</sub>CuO<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> x=1/8



 $\Psi$  Amplitude ( $\Gamma$  point, occupied)  $\Psi$ Amplitude ( $\Gamma$  point, band gap)

# 4\/2x4\/2 Magnetic Supercell



#### Recent Photoemission Ca<sub>2</sub>CuO<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>



Photoemission lineshapes well fitted by Gaussian profile Both LHB and O  $2p\pi$  states broadened into Gaussian Broadening mechanism is phonon, not magnon Photo-holes are small polarons

Shen et al. PRB 2007 19

#### t-J + electron-phonon coupling

$$H = H^{t-J} + H^{e-ph}$$
$$H^{e-ph} = \Omega \sum_{k} b_{k}^{+} b_{k} + \frac{\gamma}{N} \sum_{k,q} \left[ h_{k}^{+} h_{k-q} b_{k} + H.c \right]$$
$$g = \frac{\gamma^{2}}{2 \sqrt{2}}$$

 $8t\Omega$ 



(a) 
$$g = 0$$
  
(b)  $g = 0.14 \gamma = 0.34$   
(c)  $g = 0.20 \gamma = 0.40$   
(d)  $g = 0.23 \gamma = 0.43$ 



Spectral function consists of self-trapped quasi-particle state with vanishing spectral weight plus 'broad feature' which tracks t-J dispersion

Mischenko and Nagaosa, PRL 2004 LCC 2007

# Small polarons: Na<sub>x</sub>Ca<sub>2-x</sub>CuO<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> x=1/32

Bond length changes (%)



#### Small polaron band structure



#### Conclusions

- Polarons key to understanding doped oxides
- Local charge order on O ions
- How do stripes/polarons affect Tc in CMR, HTS, DMS oxides?
- Hybrid DFT
  - short range properties need more exchange
  - Long range properties need less exchange

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