Angle-resolved magnetometry for determination of magnetic anisotropy in low symmetry environments: a few additions to the presentation of Dr. ShangDa Jiang

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Techniques for the determination of the magnetic anisotropy

Anisotropy parameters

- •(HF-)EPR on powder
- Inelastic Neutron Scattering
- Magnetometry on powder
- Specific heat on powder

Anisotropy axes orientation

- •(HF-)EPR on single crystal
- •Torque Magnetometry

Angle resolved magnetometry

Angular resolved magnetometry: the rotator

An old technique revisited thanks to the automation & precision of horizontal sample rotator combined high sensitivity of modern SQUID magnetometers





Angular resolved magnetometry: the crystal

• 1st step: Accurate indexing of the faces



2nd step: Three rotations along orthogonal axes allow a full characterization of the magnetic anisotropy without *a priori* information



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Angular resolved magnetometry: the support



A teflon cube



The laboratory reference frame



By indexing with a single crystal X-ray diffractometer the faces of the amorphous cube on which the crystal is glued, the laboratory reference frame is defined in the crystal lattice frame

Angular resolved magnetometry: the support





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Procedures to avoid mistakes

The sign of each rotation has to be carefully checked



Suggested sequences of rotations

QD machines

	0 °	90 °	180°	270 °
Rot x	Z	У	-Z	-y
Rot y	Z	-X	-Z	X
Rot z	У	X	-y	-X



Choose a right reference frame for the cube and place the crystal on +z





Characterization of the magnetic anisotropy of $Dy(hfac)_3(NITR)_2$



Characterization of the magnetic anisotropy of Dy(hfac)₃(NITR)₂



or each rotation :

Experimental data are simulated assuming a simple tensorial relation

$$\vec{M} = \chi \cdot \vec{H}$$

and taking into account that only the component of M along H is measured

$$M(\theta) = H(\chi_{\alpha\alpha}\cos^2(\theta) + 2\chi_{\alpha\beta}\cos(\theta)\sin(\theta) + \chi_{\beta\beta}\sin^2(\theta))$$

Where α , β are the cyclic permutation of the reference frame axes

$$\chi = \begin{pmatrix} 4.7599 & 0.3578 & -5.8439 \\ 0.3578 & 0.7758 & 0.4681 \\ -5.8439 & 0.4681 & 9.2236 \end{pmatrix}$$

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The last assumption is often not valid because of:

- saturation

- antiferromagnetic interactions overcome by the magnetic field

A more complex analysis, no more model-free, is necessary

A case study: a spin-canted Dy(III) Single Chain Magnet

- Magnetometry is NOT a LOCAL probe
- It averages over all the species in the crystal
- •Triclinic crystals have one magnetically independent site and are ideal candidates for this technique
- •In monoclinic system <u>b</u> is a principal axis
- •In orthorombic system <u>a</u>, <u>b</u>, and <u>c</u> are principal axes

A noon triclinic case: the Cp*ErCOT SMM

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An Organometallic Single-Ion Magnet

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Angular-Resolved Magnetometry Beyond Triclinic Crystals: Out-of-Equilibrium Studies of Cp*ErCOT Single-Molecule Magnet**

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The Cp*ErCOT case: an orthorombic crystal



Orthorhombic system: 2 orientations

Along b-axis view





Mirror planes // to (ac) plane



Molecules lie on mirror planes 18 Angle between molecular pseudo-axis ~ 95°

Difficult manipulation of the crystal in the glovebox:

<u>Rotation 1</u> along $\omega_1 = 0.614004a - 0.340304b + 0.712175c$



Difficult manipulation of the crystal in the glovebox:

<u>Rotation</u> 2: along ω_2 = 0.317728*a* + 0.931653*b* + 0.176271*c*



Simulation with two Ising contributions

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This interpretation is not unique: how to verify it? ²¹

Temperature dependence of the angular resolved magnetization shows additional peaks at low temperature

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Out of equilibrium measurements

At T=4 K the butterfly hysteresis of this SMM is open and data are taken at different rotation rate of the field. For long waiting time the sinusoidal behavior is restored



Out of equilibrium measurements



Simulation of out of equilibrium M

$$M(\theta, i) = M_{eq}(\theta, i) + \Delta M_i e^{-\frac{\sigma_i}{\tau_j(H)}}$$

H is constant but θ changes, thus M_{eq} changes with θ σ is the time elapsed between rotation and measurement

Best simulation obtained for: $\tau = \tau_0 + A H |\cos(\theta)|$

With τ_0 =105(5)s, A=0.210 s Oe⁻¹ increasing fields A=0.140 s Oe⁻¹ decreasing fields 24

Comparison with ab-initio estimation

