フラクタル構造を有する超伝導複合化合物の位相コ ヒーレンス形成



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超伝導体/常伝導体(絶縁体)界面における超伝導近接効果



S/I/S Josephson junction: tunneling of Cooper pairs

$$I(t) = I_c \sin(\varphi(t))$$



Superconducting quantum interference device (SQUID)

超伝導体/常伝導体(金属)界面における超伝導近接効果



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S/N/S Josephson junction: Andreev reflection(アンドレーエフ反射) 本研究:フラクタル分布した超伝導SNS複合体の超伝導 近接効果による位相コヒーレンス形成

自然界におけるフラクタル構造 フラクタル:図形の全体をいくつかの部分に分解していった時に 全体と同じ形が再現されていく構造(自己相似構造)

オウム貝



氷の結晶成長



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World Wide Web (WWW)



https://ewm.swiss/en/blog/history-world-wide-web

フラクタルネットワークの特徴

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Scale-free structural organization of oxygen interstitials in La_2CuO_{4+y} M.

M. Fratini et al. Nature, 466, 841 (2010).

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Figure 1 | **Mixed real- and reciprocal-space images of dopant ordering. a**, The X-ray microdiffraction apparatus is located at the European Synchrotron Radiation Facility (ESRF)

The intense red-yellow peaks represent locations in the sample with high strength of the three-dimensional interstitial oxygen (i-O) ordering, and dark blue indicates spots of disordered i-O domains.

Fractal structures enhance the superconductivity

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Distribution of oxygen interstitials



ユニットセルの周期配列に基づくバンド理論とは異なる電子構造の発現の可能性

Question:

超伝導体微粒子が常伝導マトリックス中 にフラクタル的に分散したらどうなるだろう か?



Mg/MgO/MgB₂ナノ複合体

Mg/MgO/MgB₂ナノ複合体の合成

$$B_2O_3 + 5 Mg \rightarrow 3 MgO + Mg + MgB_2$$

700 °C, 3h, under flowing Ar atmosphere



発光強度の励起フルエンス依存性

Excitation: A pulsed Nd:YAG laser (λ =266 nm, pulse width 8ns, repetition rate 10 Hz)

Beam spot size: φ=3mm Y. Uenaka and T. Uchino et al. units) PRL 101, 117401 (2008). 20000 **SEM** Image PRB 79, 165107 (2009). PL intensity (arb PRB 83, 195108 (2011). 15000 20000 10000 PL intensity (arb. units) 5000 15000 60 80 100 40 20 Excitation fluence (mJ/cm²) * 10000 105 mJ/cm^2 The asterisk (*) indicates the second harmonic (532 nm) of the Nd:YAG laser contaminated in the incident beam. ×11,000 1 Mm 15kU 5000 5 mJ/cm² 0 400 500 600 300 700 Wavelength (nm)

MgO中の酸素空孔(カラーセンター)による室温ランダムレーザー発振

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Ferromagnetism as a universal feature of nanoparticles of the otherwise nonmagnetic oxides

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Spin Density Distribution of cation vacancies at (100) MgO surface

(1 0 0)



T. Uchino and T. Yoko, *Phys. Rev. B* **85**, 012407 (2012); *Phys. Rev. B* **87**, 144414 (2013).

Directional spin delocalization over the low-coordinated surface 0 atoms

Ferromagnetic nanostructures

Magnetic properties of the Mg/MgO/MgB, nanocomposite

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Spark Plasma Sintering (SPS)



Nano-sized powders can be sintered without considerable grain growth.

No coarsening and no grain growth: high relative densities in very short time

XRD pattern of the SPS-treated sample:

Sintering temperature: 650 °C Uniaxial pressure: 100 Mpa Dynamic vacuum: ~50 Pa



Volume fraction of MgB₂ is well below the percolation threshold (~30 %).

FESEM/EDX, TEM/EDX and HR-TEM measurements



100 nm

Estimation of fractal dimension by the box counting method

An object is covered by a grid of boxes of side length *r* and the number of boxes *N* intercepted by the object is counted.



FESEM/EDX, TEM/EDX and HR-TEM measurements



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MgO (111)

0.244 nm

100 nm

Fractal analysis of boron distribution: box counting method



Electrical resistivity ρ and magnetic susceptibility χ measurements

R-T M-T 1.6 0.0 1.4 FC -0.2 38.0 K 1.2 -0.4 1.0 p (µΩm) *H* = 10 Oe $4\pi\chi$ 0.8 -0.6 0.6 38.4 K -0.8 0.4 -1.0 **ZFC** 0.2 35.0 K -1.2 0.0 **↓**50 300 30 100 250 20 50 60 150 200 10 40 0 0 *T* (K) *T* (K) 36.1 K

MaR /C. system



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A global Josephson phase coherence is achieved, showing a bulk-like superconducting behavior.

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Magnetoresistivity measurements



Estimation of Josephson coherence length and penetration depth

Ginzburg-Landau theory

$$H_{c2} = \Phi_0 / (2\pi\xi^2) \qquad H_{c1} = \frac{\Phi_0}{4\pi\lambda^2} \ln(\frac{\lambda}{\xi})$$
$$H_{c1J} = 96 \text{ Oe}, H_{c2J} = 83.5 \text{ kOe}$$
$$\zeta_J = 6 \text{ nm}$$
$$\lambda_J = 252 \text{ nm}$$
Ginzburg-Landau parameter $\kappa = \frac{\lambda_J}{\xi_J} = \sim 42 \gg 1$

Type II superconductor

走査 SQUID 顕微鏡(SSM)による超伝導渦糸の観察



Schematic illustration of SC vortex

A. Glatz et al. J. Supercon. Novel Mag. 33, 127–141 (2020).

Scanning SQUID microscope image

磁気光学顕微鏡による磁束観察



S. Ooi et al., Phys. Rev. B, 104, 064504 (2021).

Schematic of a MO microscope based on the Faraday effect in a sensor film placed on the surface of a magnetic sample.

磁気光学顕微鏡による磁束観察



残留磁化状態:超伝導領域にピン留めされた磁束 試料全体に分布

残留磁化状態における渦糸電流分布

絶対強度







試料全体にわたって渦糸電流が分布:常伝導領域にランダムにピン留めされた超伝導渦糸の存在 粒界も高い臨界電流密度を保持

臨界電流密度」とピンニングカ解析



FESEM/EDX, TEM/EDX and HR-TEM measurements



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100 nm

b

B: red

100 nm

Proposed mechanism of the formation of the bulk like superconductivity



Phase-coherent Andreev reflection in the diffusive normal matrix Long-range proximity coupling in the scale-free Josephson junction network Global superconducting state

フラクタルネットワークを介した超伝導近接効果の階層的発現 強固な三次元的位相整合状態の形成

Future works

Synthesis and investigation of proximitized materials using nanocomposites.

