



An Energy Dispersive X-ray Absorption and Diffraction Investigation of Photomagnetic CoFe Prussian Blue Analogues.

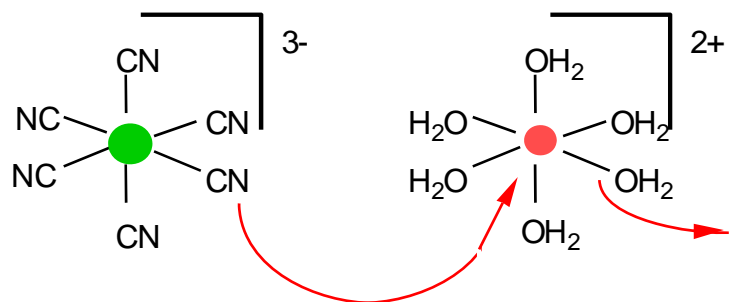
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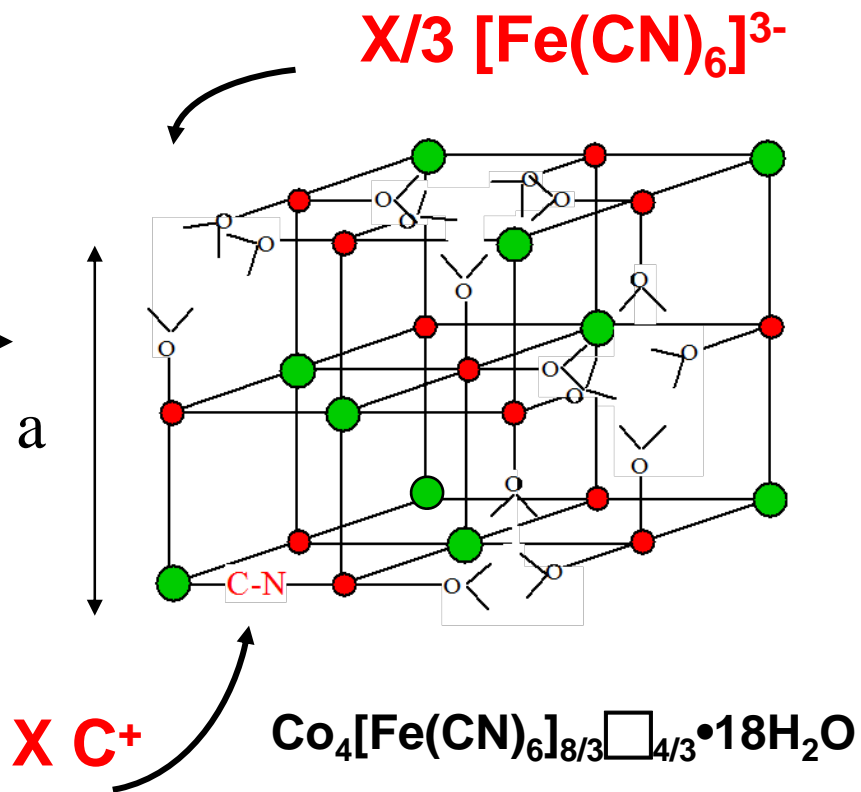
CoFe Prussian Blue Analogs



hexacyanometallate hexaaqua complex

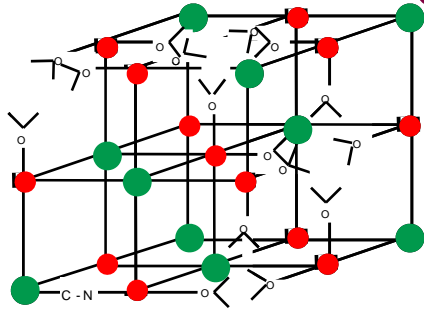
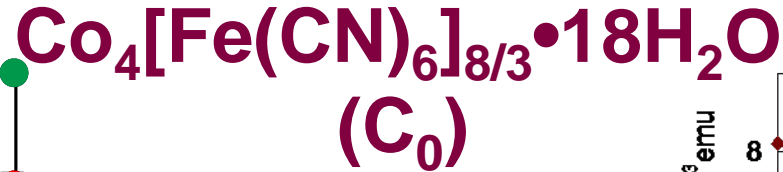


Alkali metal ion (Na^+ , K^+ , Rb^+ ...)



A. Lüdi and H. Güdel,
Structure and Bonding, 1973.

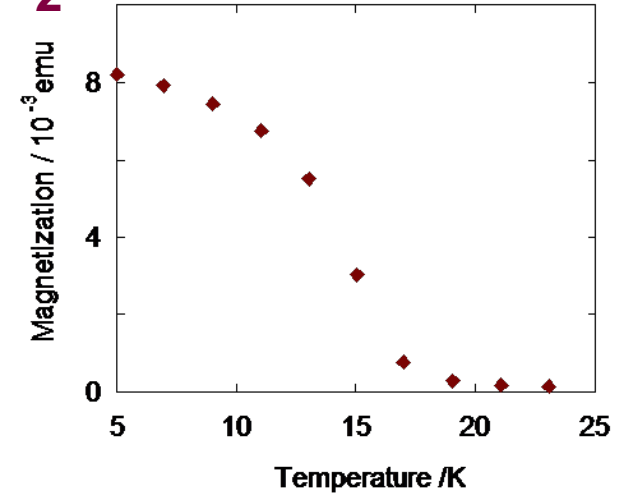
Alkali cation free CoFe analog



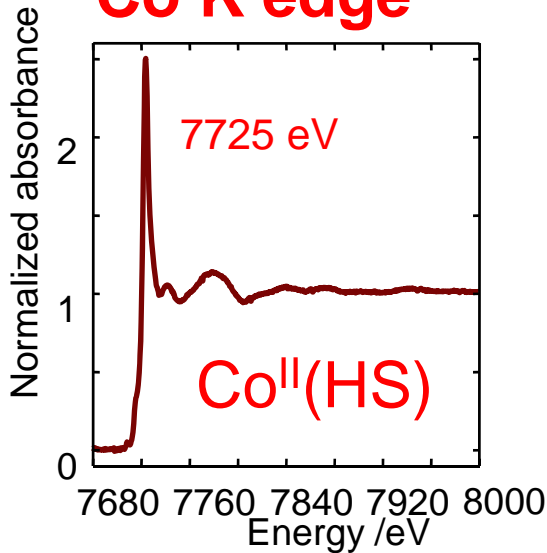
Lacunary structure

EDXAS

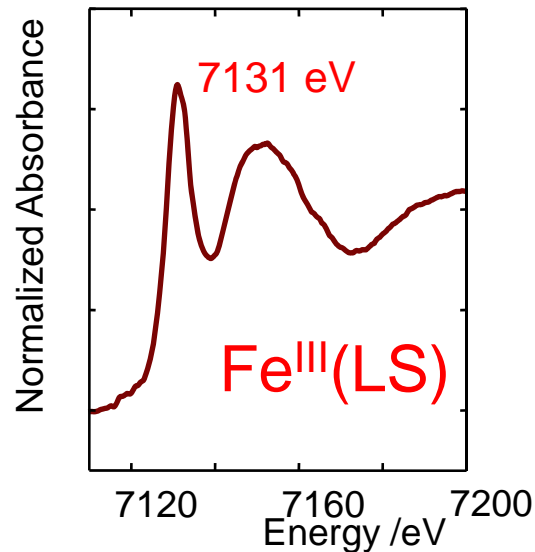
Room temperature



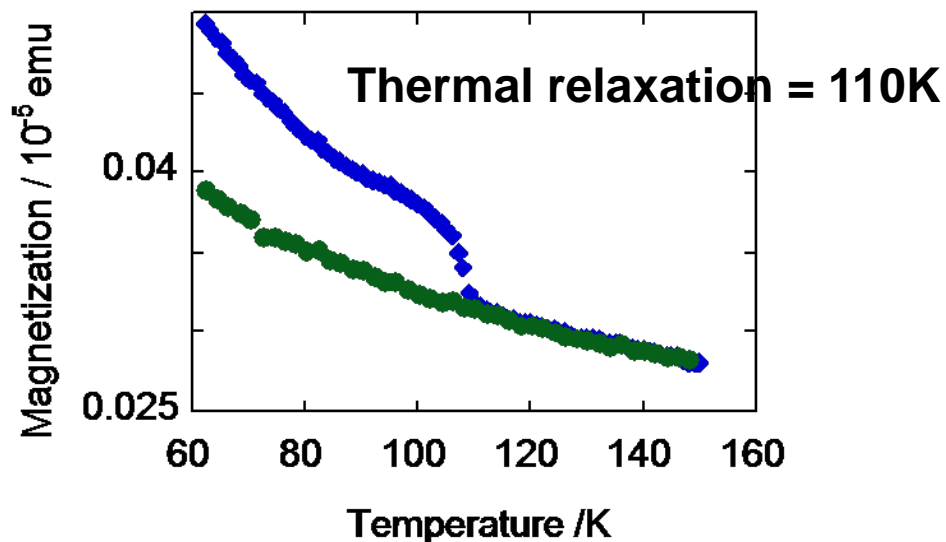
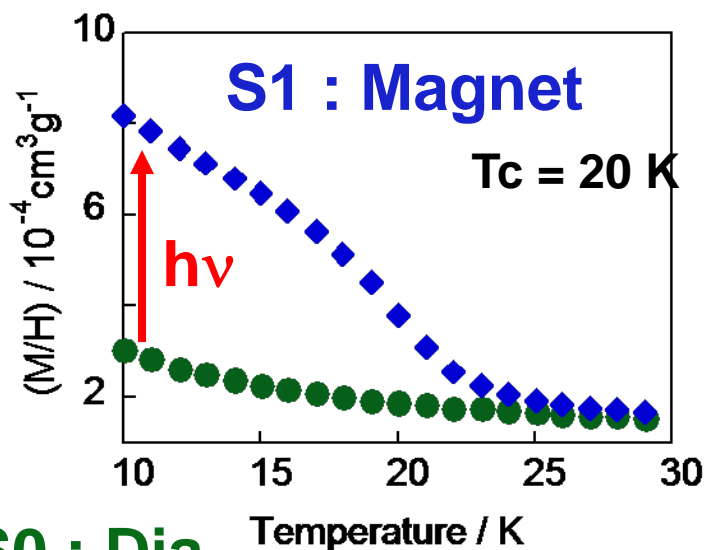
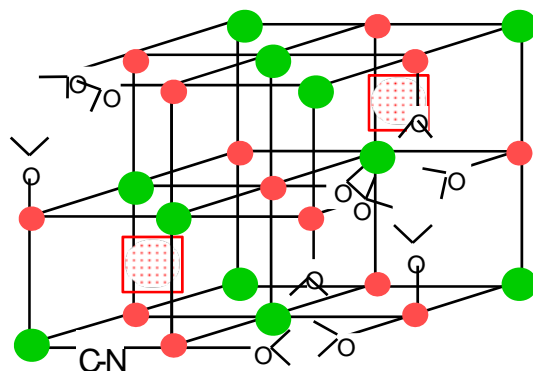
Co K edge



Fe K edge



Magnet below T_c = 16 K
No effect of light



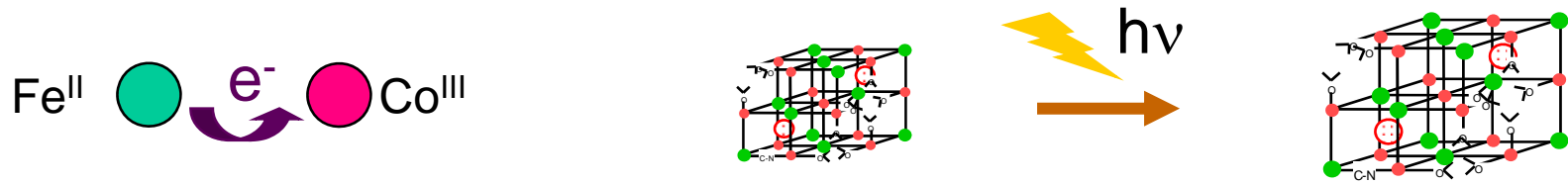
Photomagnetic effect

Promising candidates for future molecular memories

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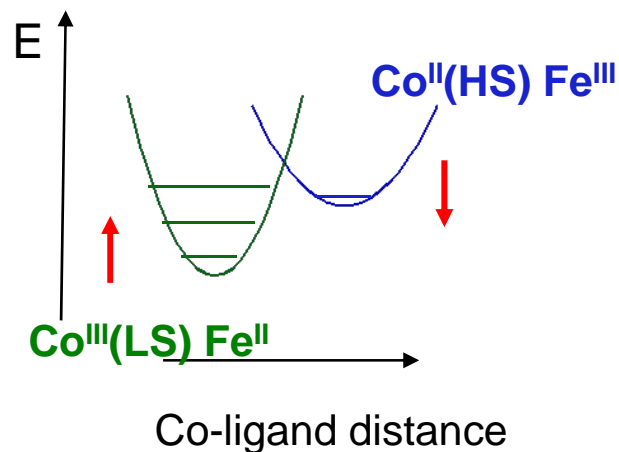
1- Study of the States implied in the Photomagnetic Effect :

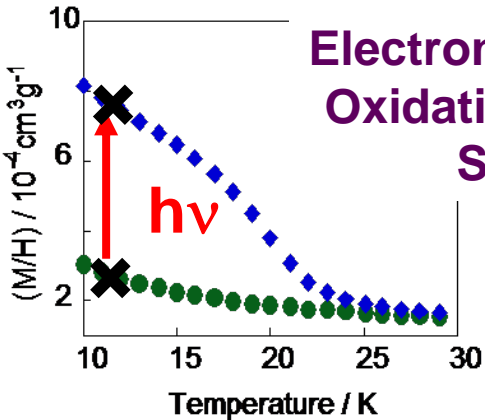
An EDXAS and XMCD investigation at low temperature before and after irradiation.



2 - Control of the Photomagnetic Effect :

Variable Pressure X-ray Absorption and Diffraction study.

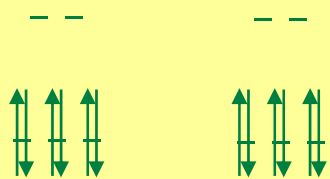
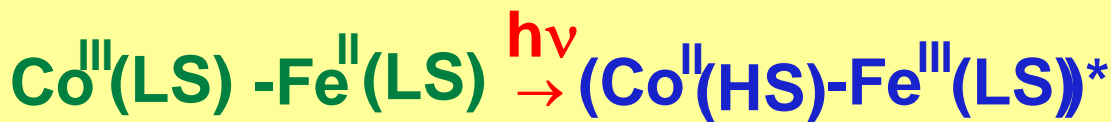
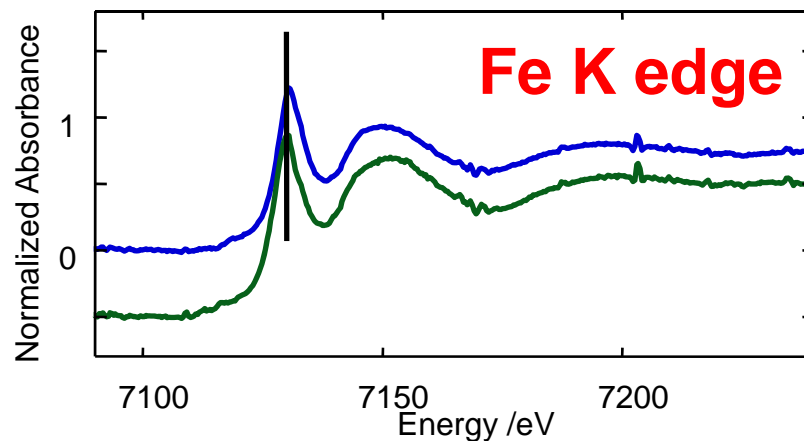
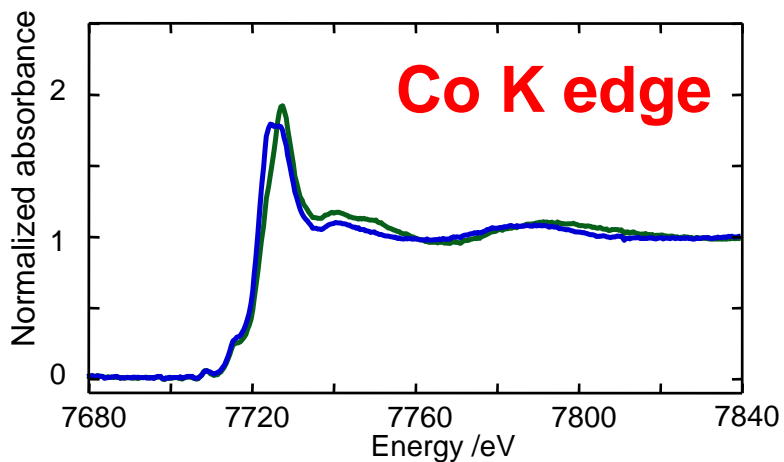




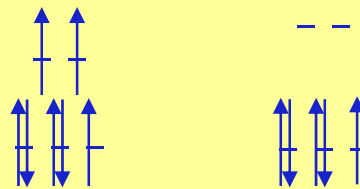
EDXAS

10 K before and after irradiation

- 1) Small amount of matter
- 2) irradiation of the sample at low temperature



$S = 0$, Dia



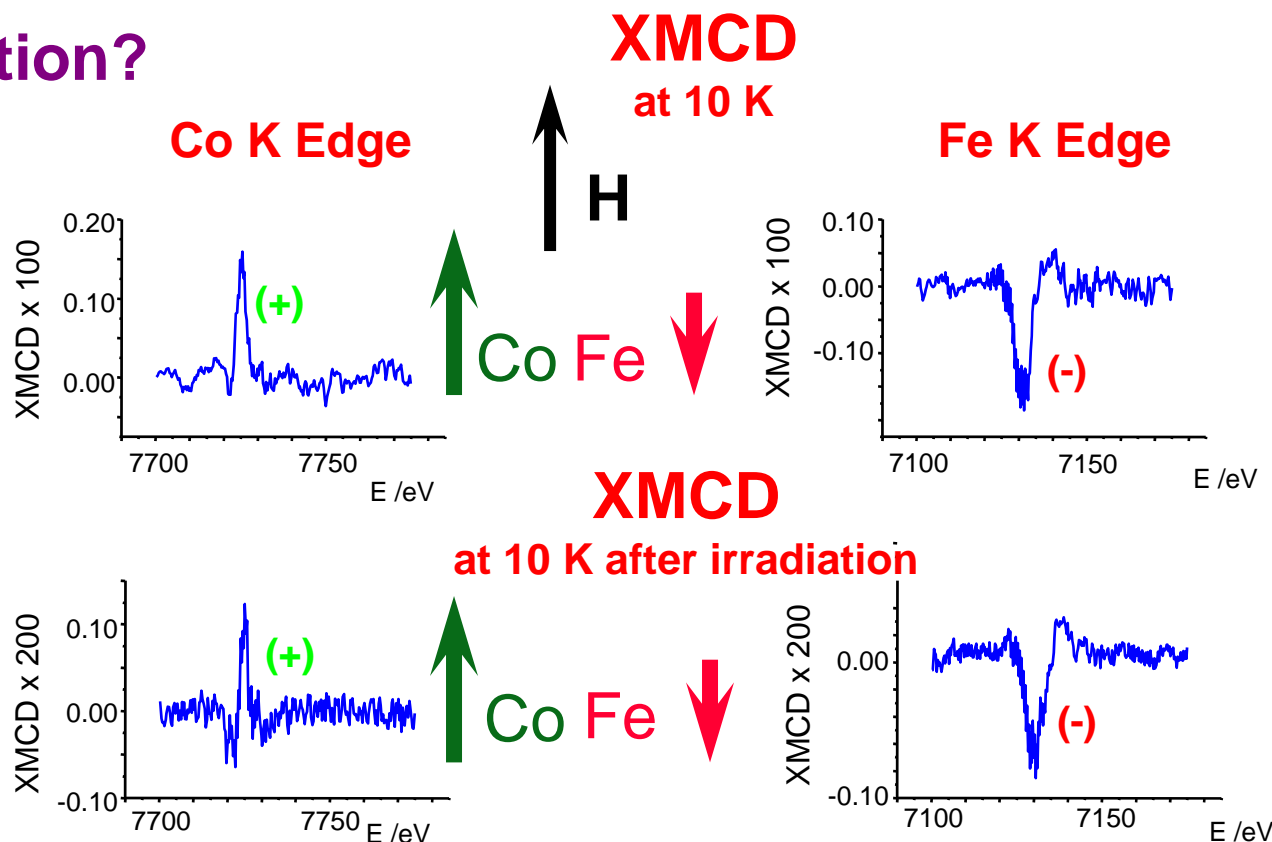
Exchange Interaction?

CoFe

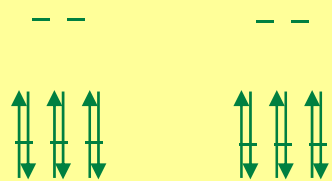
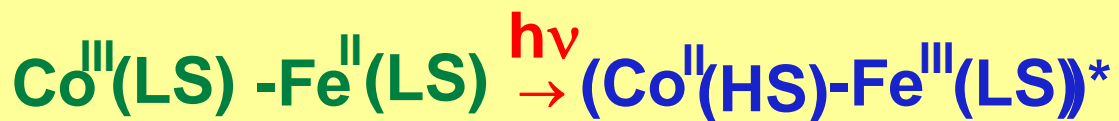
Ferrimagnetic Model Compound

RbCoFe

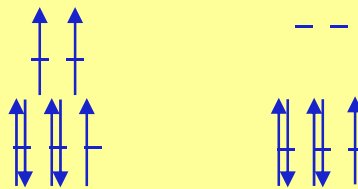
Photomagnetic compound after irradiation



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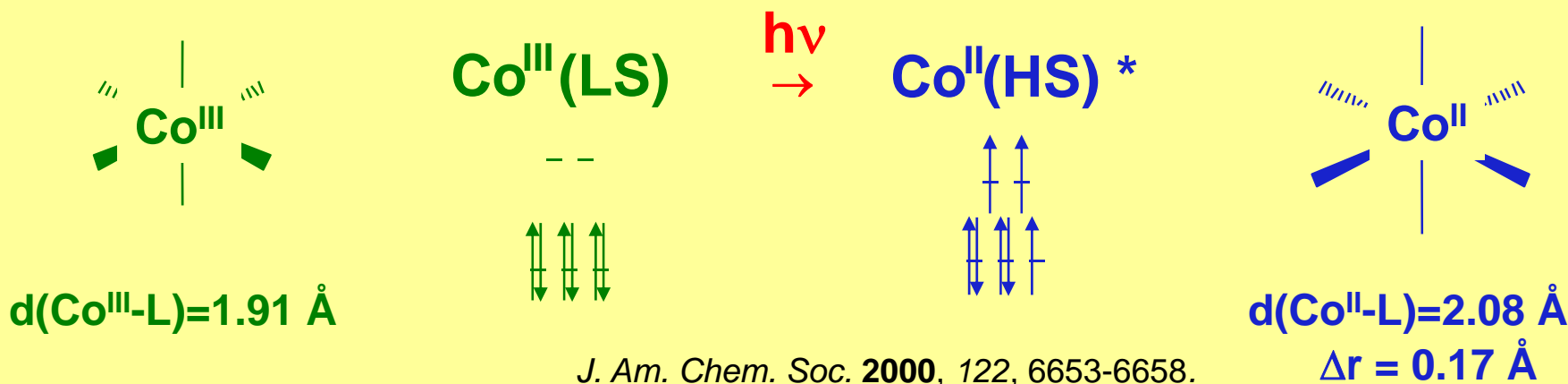
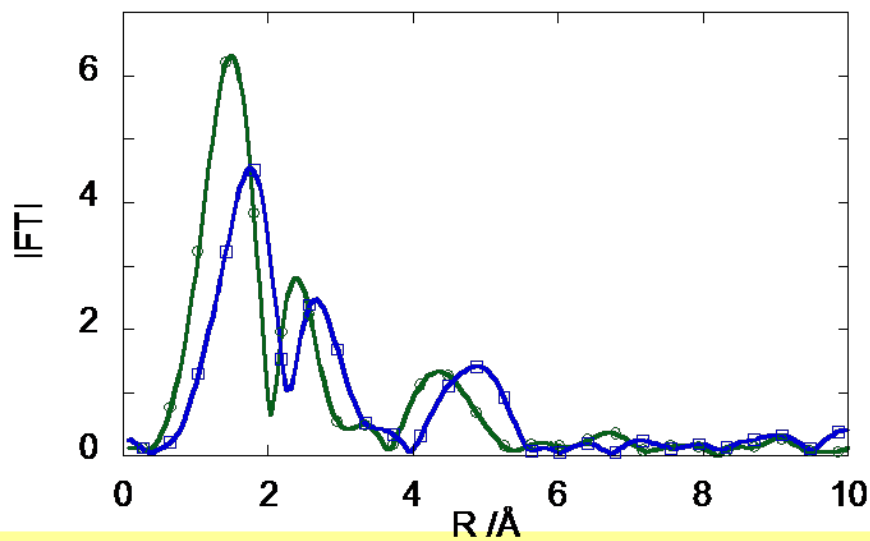
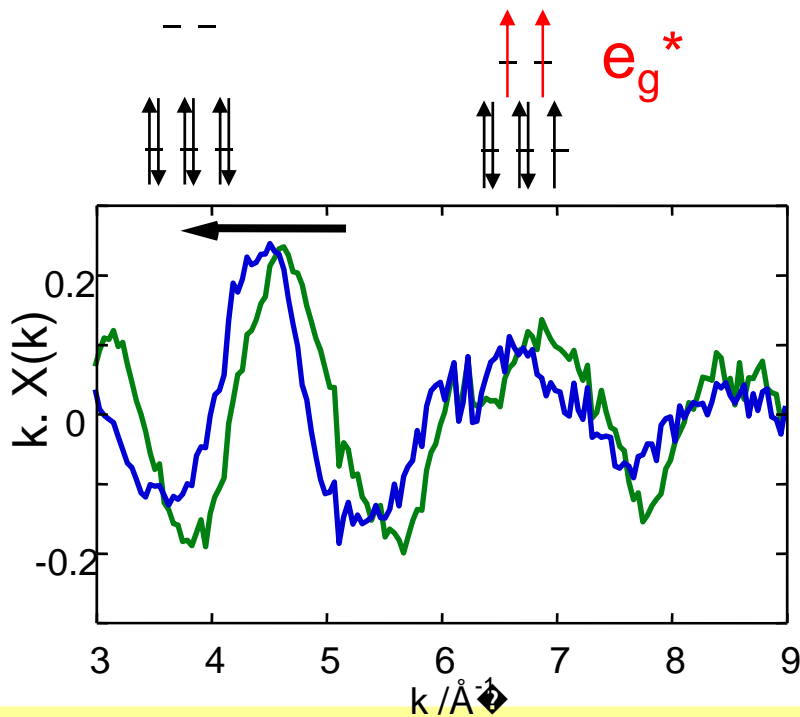
S = 0, Dia

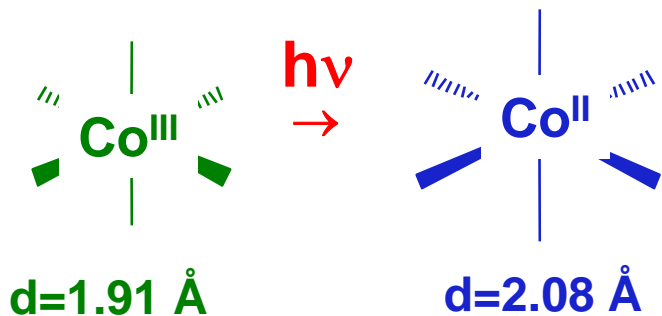


S = 1, Ferrimagnetic

Structure : Co Coordination Polyhedron ?

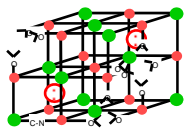
ED EXAFS at the Co K-edge at 10 K before and after irradiation



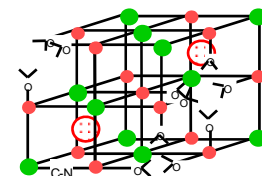
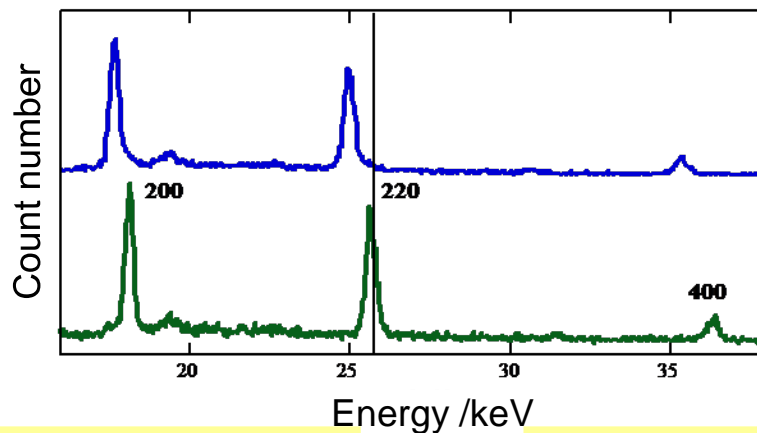


Structure :
Long Range Order ?

Energy Dispersive X-Ray Diffraction
at 10 K before and after irradiation

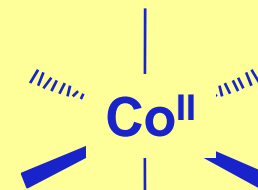
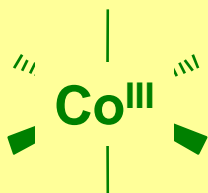
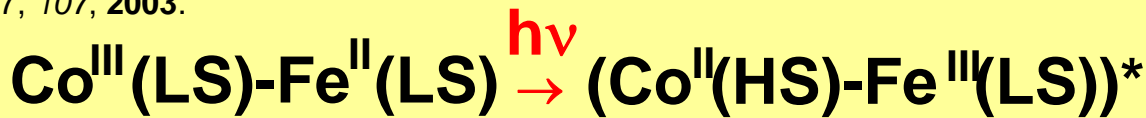


FCC
 $a = 9.96 \text{ \AA}$

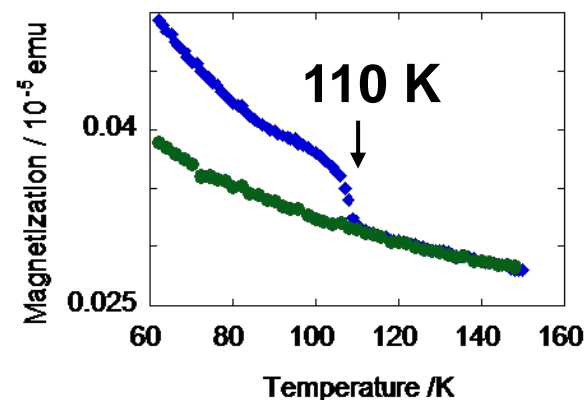
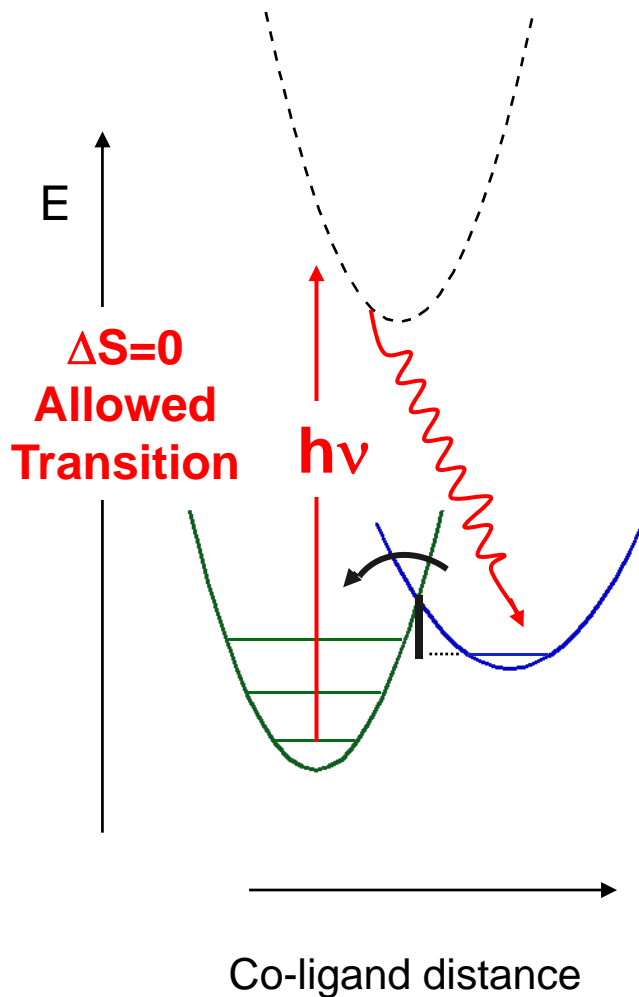
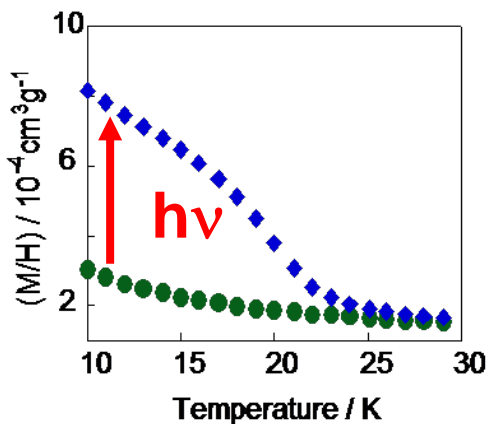


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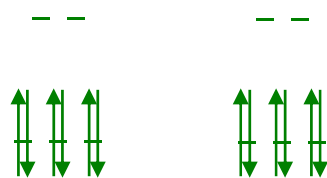


Structure and electronic structure of the States implied in the Photomagnetic Effect



Ground state

Co^{III}LS Fe^{II}



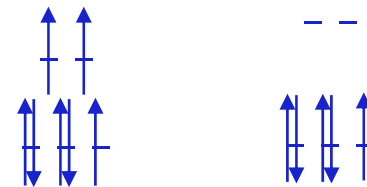
S=0

Diamagnetic

Metastable excited state

Co^{II}HS

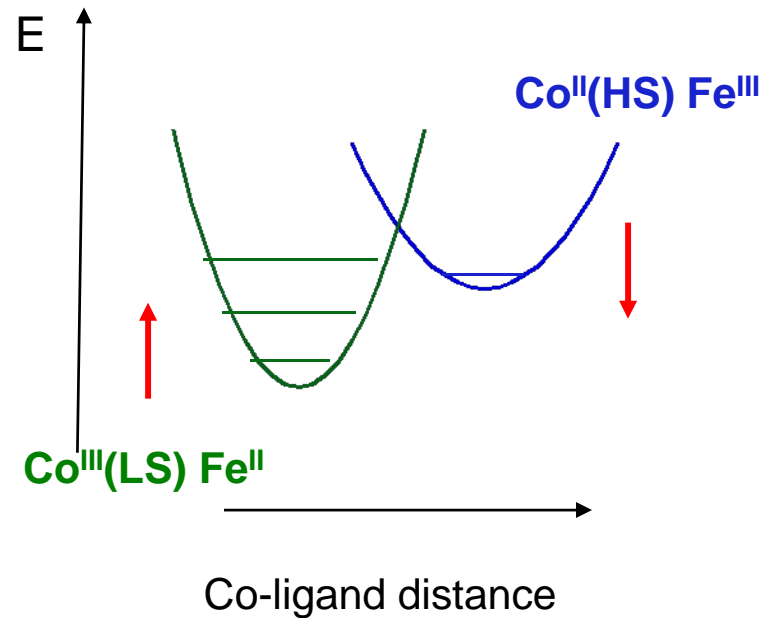
Fe^{III}



S=1

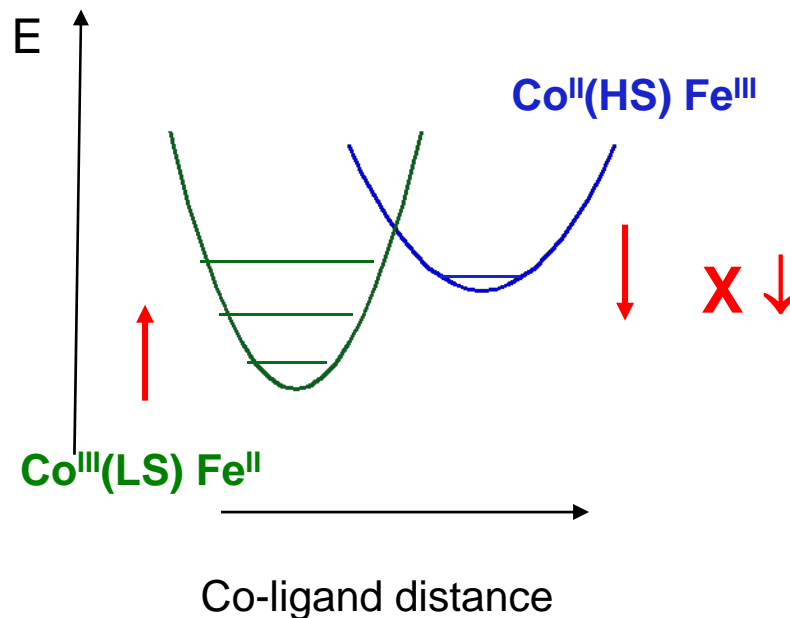
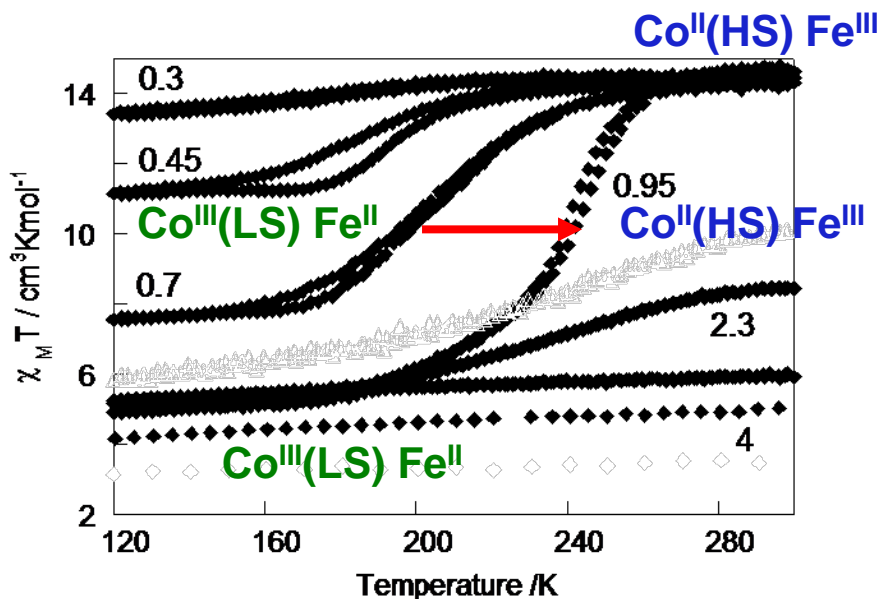
Ferrimagnetic

Control of the switching properties

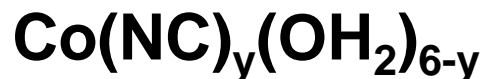


**Control of the potential wells energy position :
High temperature bistability \Leftrightarrow close energy position**

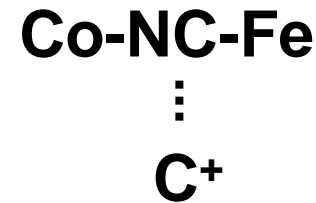
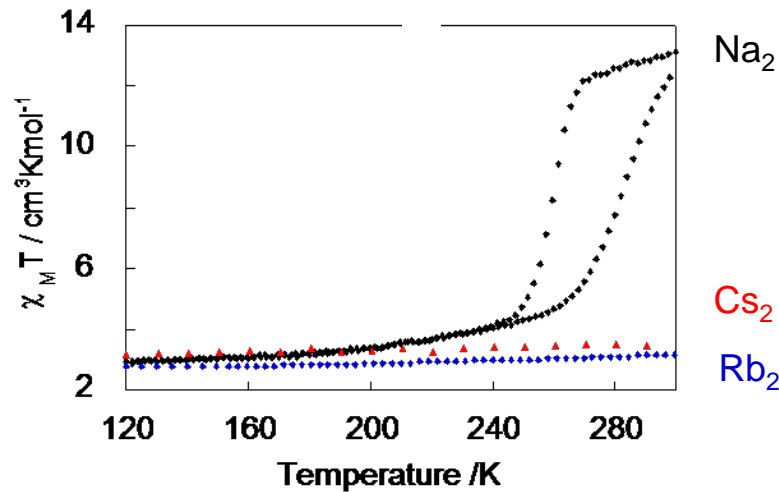
Chemical Control : $C^+ = Cs^+$, x varies



$x \uparrow$ Closer energy of the $Co^{III}-Fe^{II}$ and $Co^{II}Fe^{III}$ states, TR increases
But decrease of the magnitude of the switching properties

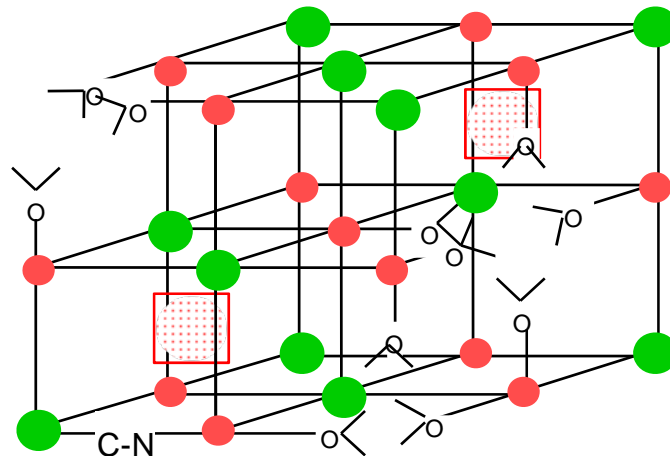
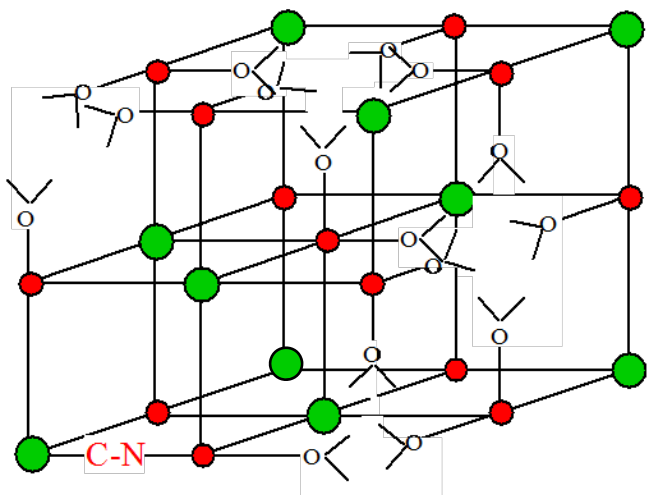


Chemical Control : $x = 1.8$, C^+ varies

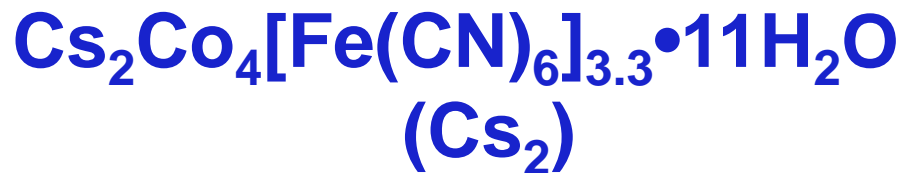


Competitive interactions
Variable Pressure
X-ray Absorption and Diffraction study

Variable Pressure Study



No alkali metal ion

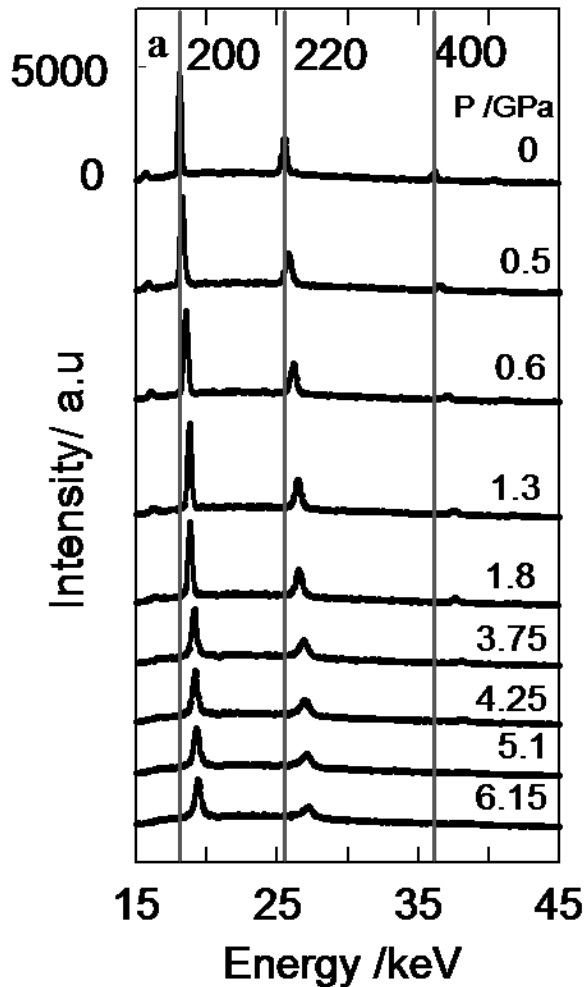


2 big Cs⁺ ions

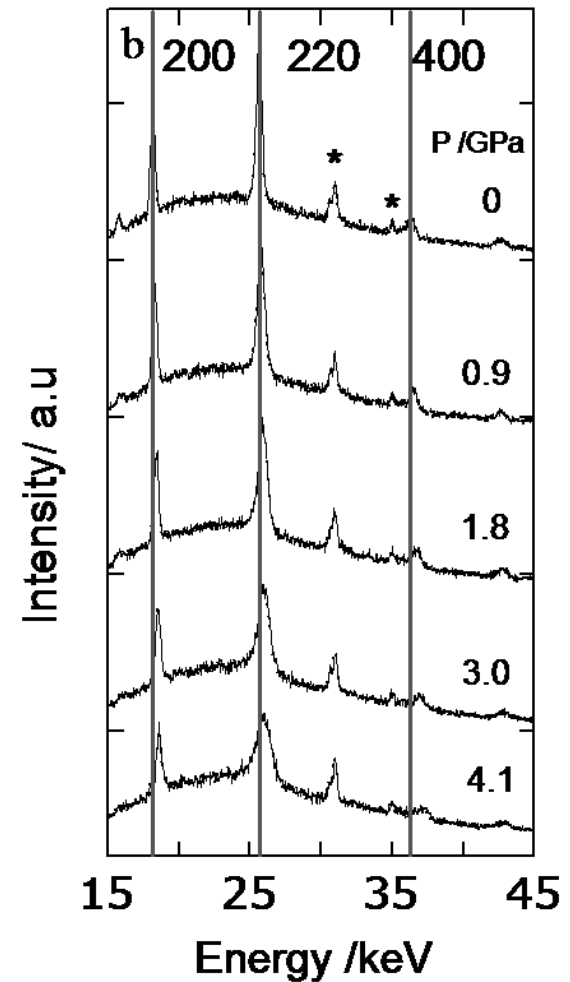


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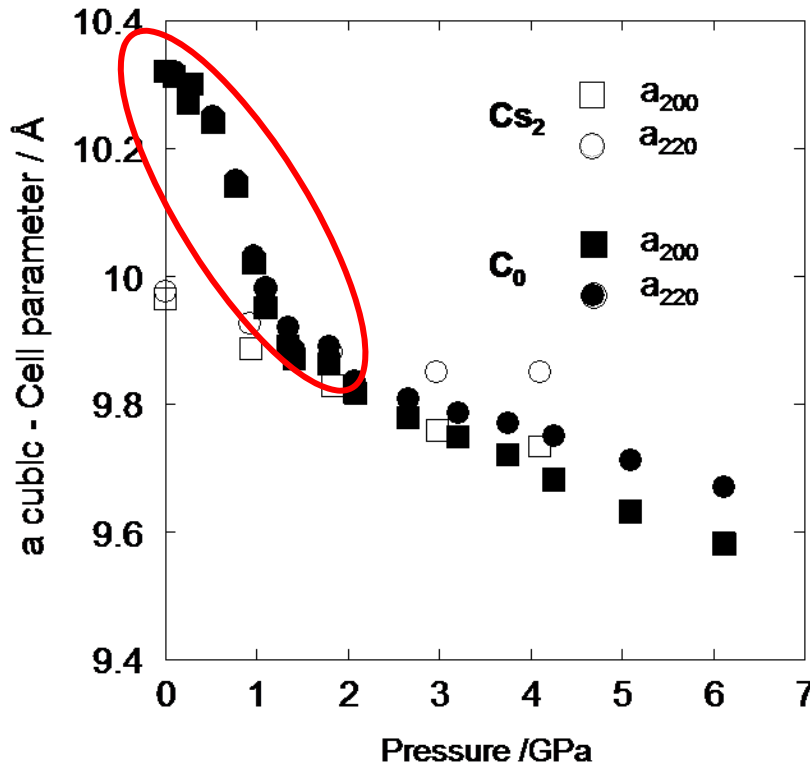
C_0



CS_2



Cell Parameter Pressure Dependence



C₀ : 0-1 GPa

C₀ cell parameter reaches the Cs₂ one !!!

Pressure-induced electron transfer ?

Cs₂ and C₀ > 1 GPa Distortion from the cubic structure.

Rhombohedral F
Pseudo cubic space

$$d_{hkl} = \frac{1}{a^* \sqrt{h^2 + l^2 + h^2 + \cos \alpha^* (hk + kl + hl)}}$$

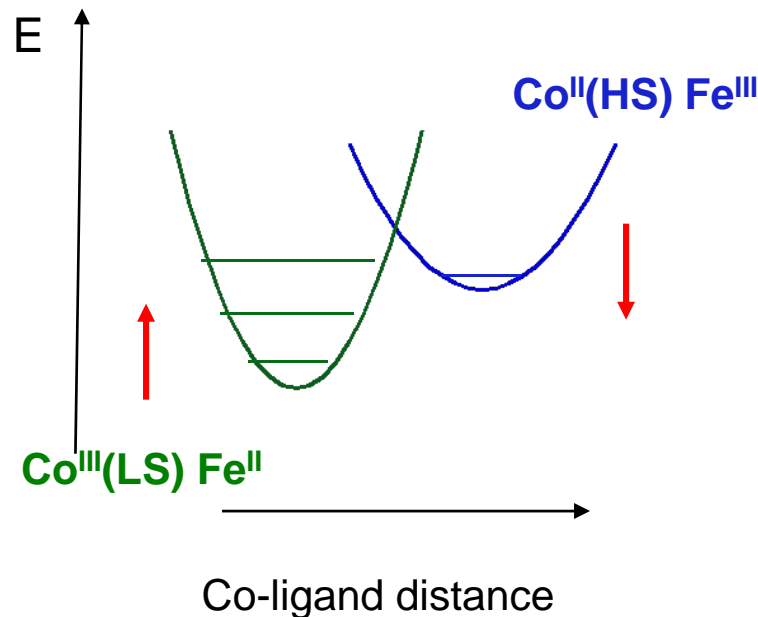
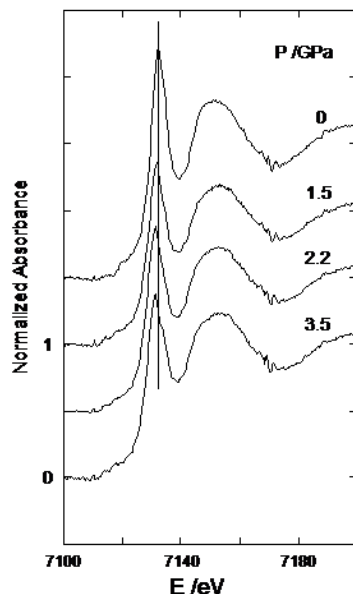
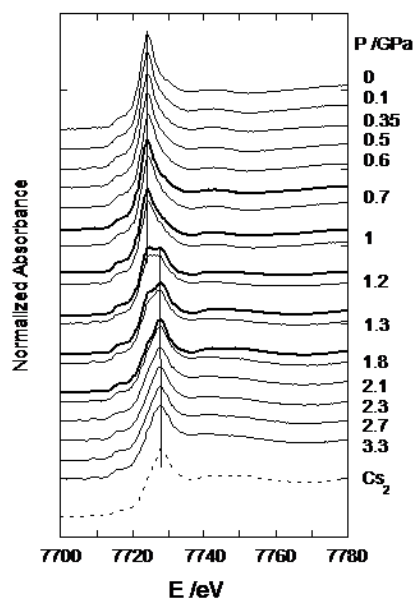
Pressure-induced Electron Transfer

EDXAS

Room temperature

Co K edge

Fe K edge



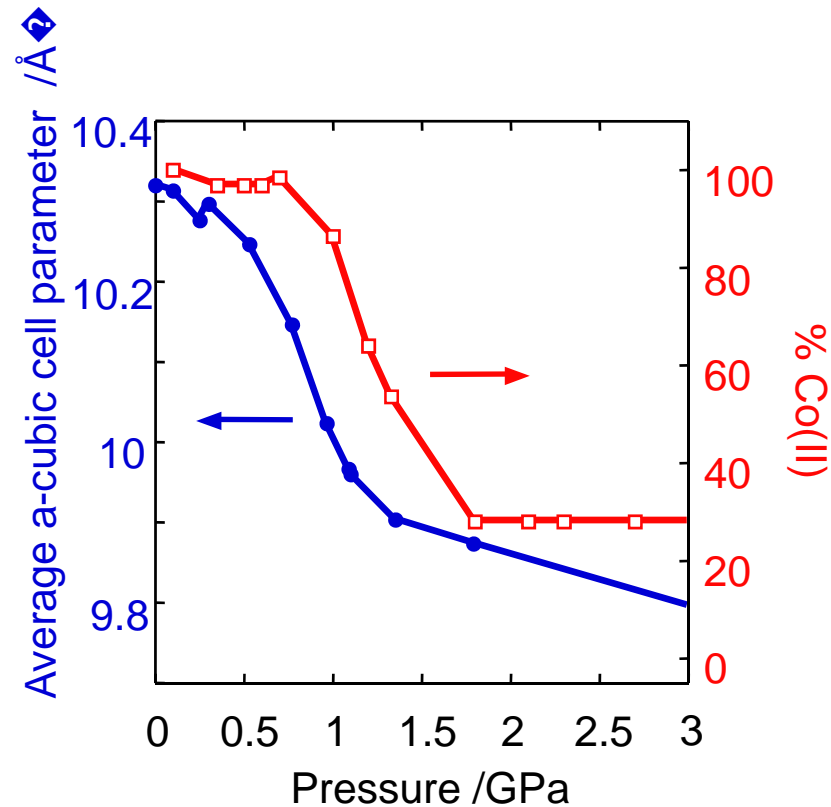
$P \uparrow$



The electron transfer is total !!!

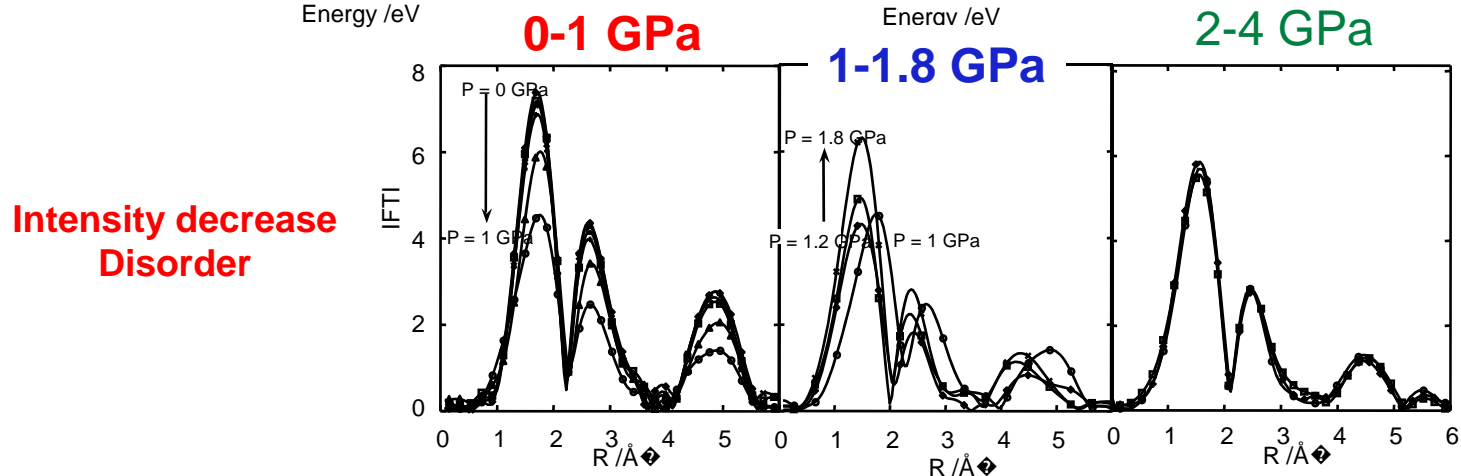
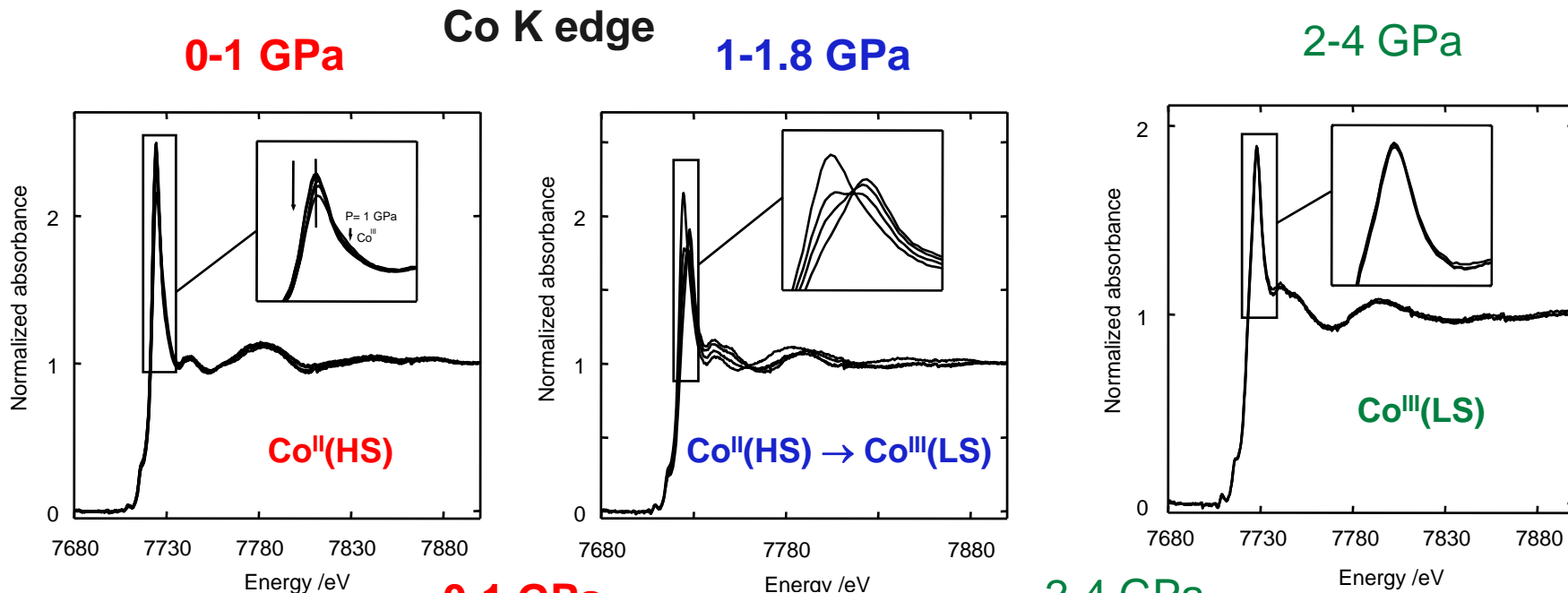
Minimum amount of CN bridges : TR should be high !!!

Chronology of the Structural and Electronic Events



The strong cell parameter decrease precedes the $\text{Co}^{\text{II}}(\text{HS}) \rightarrow \text{Co}^{\text{III}}(\text{LS})$ transformation

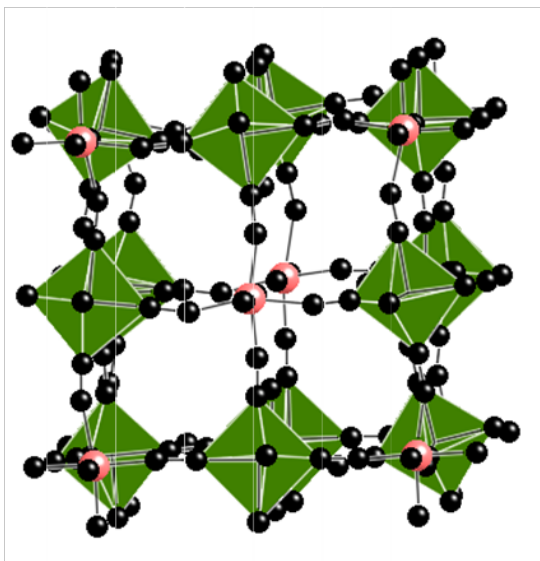
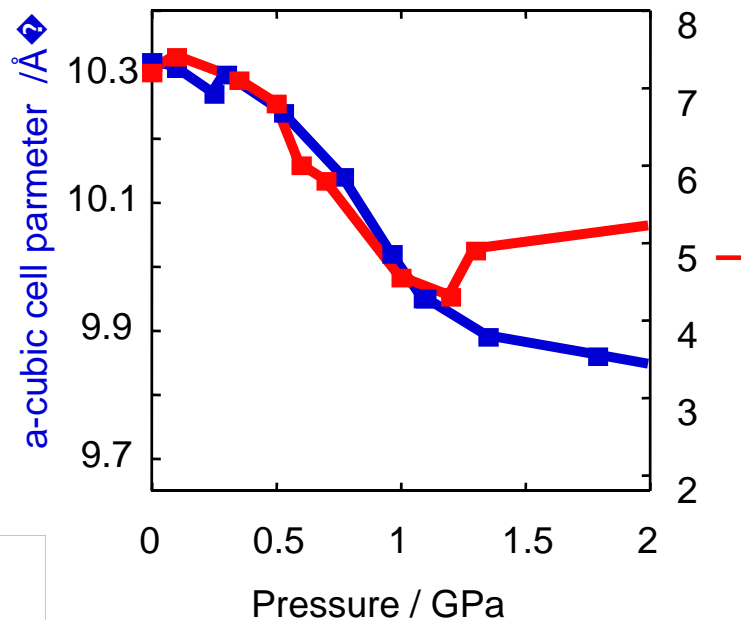
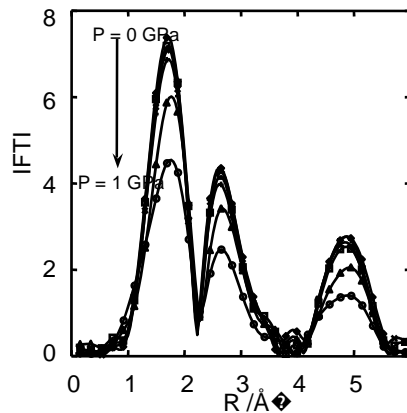
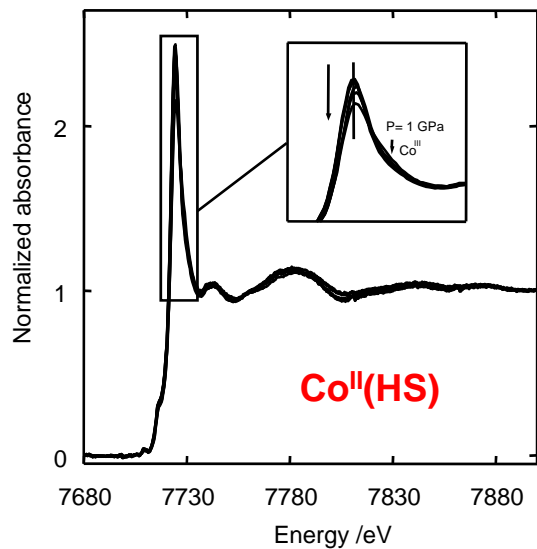
Interplay between Structural and Electronic Events



Co to ligand bond shortening

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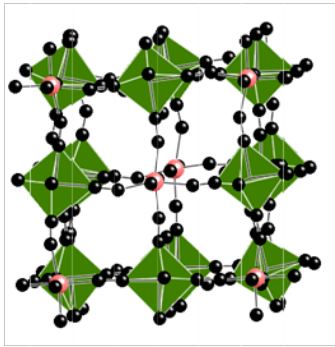
0-1 GPa



Tilt of the transition metal ion coordination polyhedra

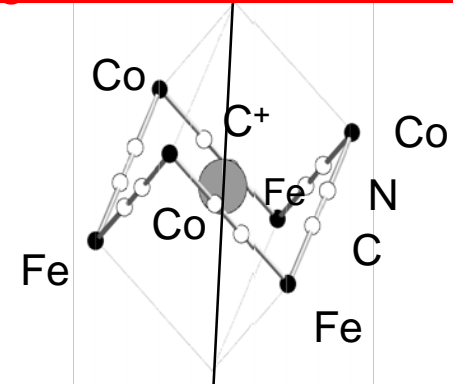
Perspectives

Structural event preceding the electronic event

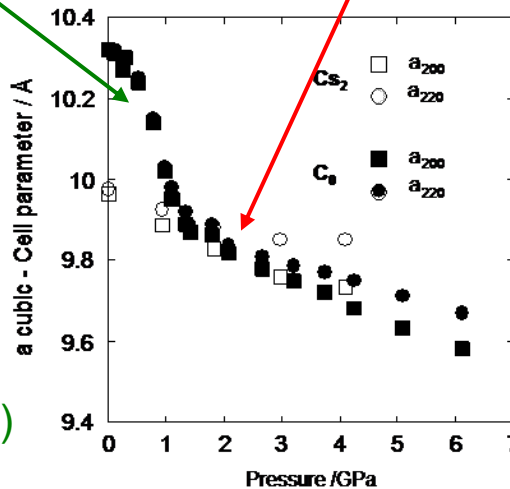


Local structure around the transition metal ions
Variable Pressure XAS studies of non-switching compounds (Ni,Fe)

Long range structure deformation



- Cyanide-alkali ion interaction Variable XAS Pressure (Rb)
- Cubic to rhombohedral change effect on the magnetic properties : XMCD



Study of the photomagnetic effect
Exhibited by the alkali cation free CoFe
PBA under applied Pressure.

Variable Pressure and temperature XAS study of C₀ (Co, Fe)

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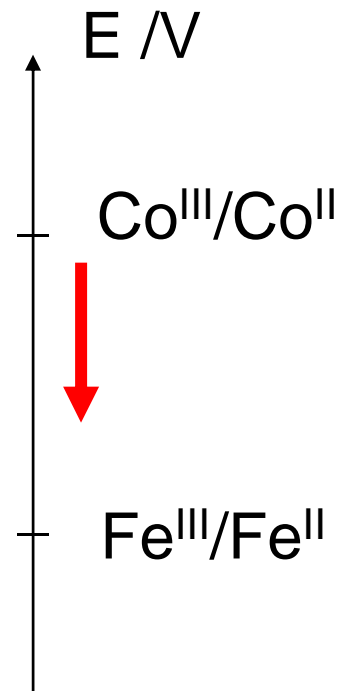
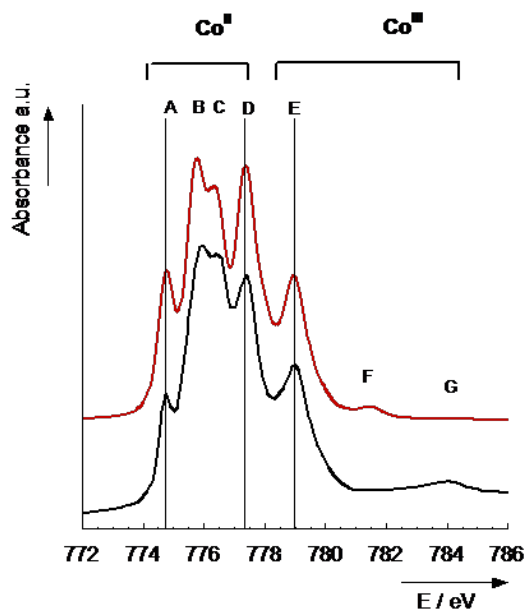
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XAS at the Co L_3 edge



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**Role of the cyanide bridge as an active electron transfer bridge
Redox potential modulation**