

Functional Inorganic Materials

Fall 2022

Tuesdays: 12.15 - 14.00 (U8)
Thursdays: 10.15 - 12.00 (Ke1)

#	Date	Who	Topic
1	Mon 5.9.	Maarit	Introduction + Materials design concepts
2	Thu 8.9.	Antti	Introduction + Computational materials design
3	Tue 13.9.	Maarit	Superconductivity: High- T_c superconducting Cu oxides
4	Thu 15.9.	Maarit	Magnetic (oxide) materials
5	Tue 20.9.	Maarit	Ionic conductivity (Oxygen): SOFC & Oxygen storage
6	Thu 22.9.	Maarit	Ionic conductivity (Lithium): Li-ion battery
7	Tue 27.9.	Antti	Thermal conductivity
8	Thu 29.9.	Antti	Thermoelectricity
9	Tue 4.10.	Antti	Piezoelectricity
10	Thu 6.10.	Antti	Pyroelectricity and ferroelectricity
11	Tue 11.10.	Maarit	Hybrid materials
12	Thu 13.10.	Antti	Luminescent and optically active materials

Learning Diary

- **Purpose of the learning diary**
 - Deepen **your understanding** of the subject
 - Urge you to develop **your learning process**
 - Help the teachers to improve the course
- **Structure of diary (for each individual lecture)**
 - State clearly whether you attended or not the lecture
 - Short summary of the lecture topic
 - Summarize shortly what did you know about the topic beforehand
 - What was the **most important new knowledge/understanding** you gained from the lecture
 - Did something remain unclear / Did you try to clarify afterwards
 - What kind of **additional information related to the topic** you got inspired to find (particularly important when you: (i) aim at the highest grade, (ii) did not attend the lecture)
- **Practicalities**
 - The whole diary in a single file & return it weekly in MyCourses
 - For each lecture 2-3 pages (some figures may be included); In total 20-30 pages
 - Write a last short summary chapter, where you reflect on the whole course (4 points):
 - * Did your interest in the course subjects change during the course
 - * Did your learning process change during the course
 - * What grade would you give for yourself
- **Important to remember:** your learning diary is the most important part of your course evaluation!

SOME COMMENTS on your Lecture DIARY writings so far

PRACTICAL ISSUES

- Some of you would prefer lecture breaks?
- Please, combine all the weekly diaries into a single file (always submit the whole file)
- Difficulties: Number of students was more than doubled compared to previous years & Possibly more lecture absences compared to previous years → Less chances for individual communication → Try to be active, though !

CONTENT ISSUES

- If you miss the lecture: it is not enough to just write a short abstract of the lecture topic based on the lecture slides. To learn more/earn higher points you should study the topic by yourself beyond the lecture slides. How you did this individual study, should be described in the diary. A good starting point is to look at the key words found from the lecture slides. Unfortunately, it is often difficult to find comprehensive review papers which would cover the entire lecture topic.
- In the diary, the only focus should not be in reporting the lecture content in detail; if you like for your own learning to write a very extensive summary of the lecture, that is perfectly fine, but you could include this longer summary for example as a “separate info box” in the diary.
- Answering the given questions (What did you know beforehand; What was the most important new knowledge; What remained unclear) in a cursory way is NOT enough.
- The emphasis should be on the new understanding; Did the lecture topic arise new questions or ideas in your mind; Did it motivate you to expand the topic further; Did the latest lecture add some further understanding on the topics discussed in previous lectures?
- You should also mention: Did you ask questions during the lecture? Or after the lecture? Did these clarify your understanding? Did you discuss with your fellow students?

LECTURE 5: Ionic conductivity: Oxygen

- ❖ SOFC (Solid Oxide Fuel Cell) & Oxygen storage
- ❖ Oxide ion conductivity & Oxygen vacancies & MIEC
- ❖ Redox-active cations & Mixed valency
- ❖ Cation substitutions (isovalent/aliovalent)
- ❖ Crystal symmetry (e.g. defected perovskite)

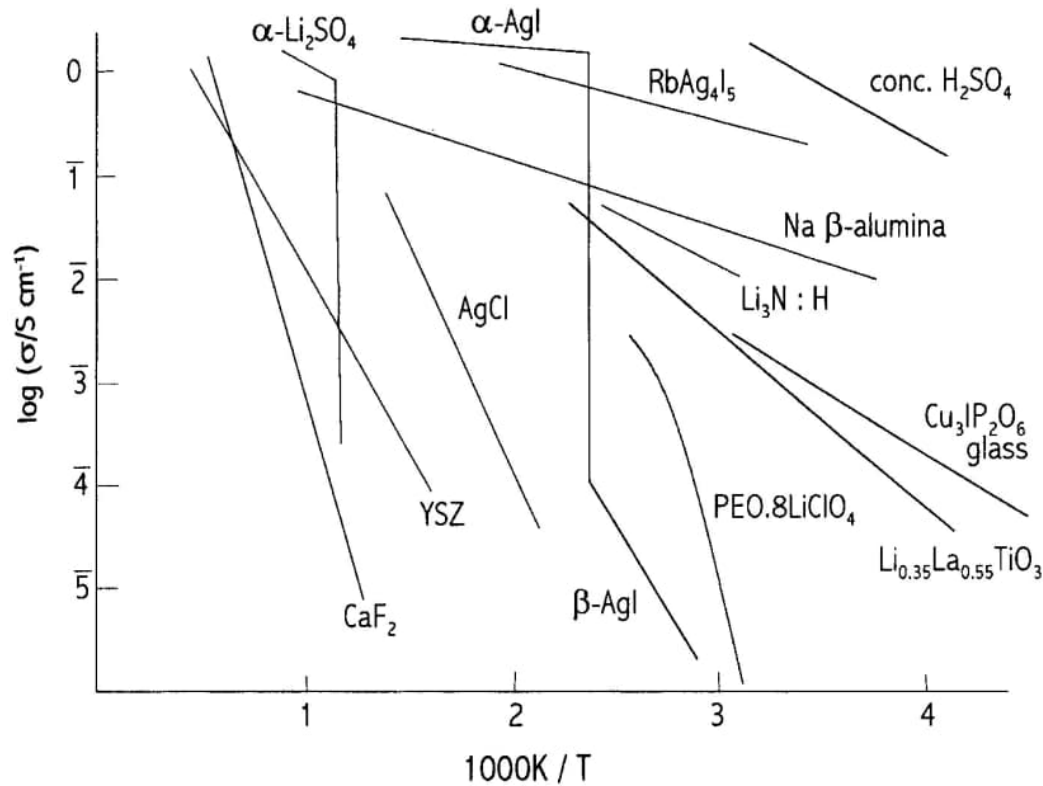
LECTURE EXERCISE 5

- (a) Are all oxide-ion conductors good oxygen-storage materials ? Justify !
(b) Are all oxygen-storage materials good oxide-ion conductors ? Justify !
- Explain the differences of the two compounds, $\text{YBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_{7-\delta}$ and $\text{YBaCo}_4\text{O}_{7+\delta}$, regarding the oxygen non-stoichiometry, i.e. how they absorb/desorb oxygen upon heating.
- You can use Zr, Ce and/or Y oxides or their mixed compounds. How would you (HYPOTHETICALLY) construct your material if you like to make;
(HINT: think of the oxidation states)

 - good electrical conductor but bad ionic conductor
 - good ionic conductor but bad electrical conductor
 - good electrical and good ionic conductor
- You have four (HYPOTHETICAL) perovskite compounds, $\text{La}(\text{Ga},\text{Mg})\text{O}_{3-\delta}$, $(\text{La},\text{Y})\text{GaO}_{3-\delta}$, $(\text{La},\text{Sr})\text{GaO}_{3-\delta}$ and $(\text{La},\text{Sr})\text{CrO}_{3-\delta}$. Explain and justify (for all the four materials separately) whether the material could show some promise as a SOFC cathode or electrolyte material (HINT: think of the oxidation states).

IONIC CONDUCTIVITY

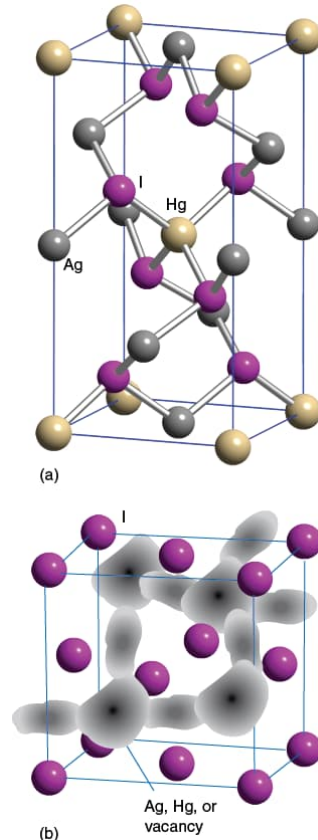
- Movement of ions in **solid** (or liquid)
- Seen in **defective/disordered (non-perfect) crystals**, glasses, polymers, gels, etc.
- Ion conductivity **increases with increasing temperature (ref. semiconductors)**
- Faraday 1839: laws of electrolysis apply to ionic solids: e.g. PbF_2 & Ag_2S
- Prototype “superionic conductor”: AgI (disordered $>147^\circ\text{C}$)
- Ford Motor Co.: BASE (β -alumina solid electrolyte): $\text{Na-Al}_2\text{O}_3 \rightarrow \text{Na-S}$ battery
- Other conventional examples: Ag_2HgI_4 (Ag^+ ion), LaF_3 (F^- ion)



Ag_2HgI_4

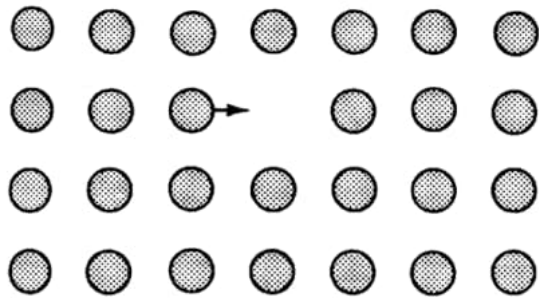
(a) Low-T: ordered structure, Ag^+ and Hg^{2+} at tetrahedral sites

(b) High-T: disordered structure and more sites than there are ions \rightarrow conductivity increases

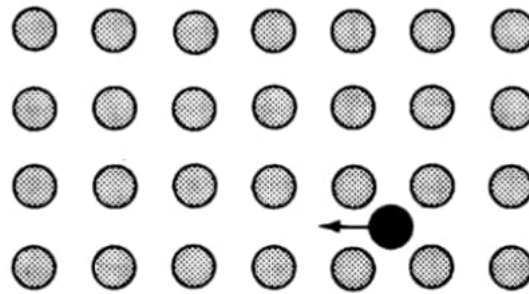


IONIC CONDUCTOR (solid)

- Other terminologies:
Fast ion conductor, Superionic conductor, Solid electrolyte, Solid state ionics
- Highly mobile ions move/hop through an otherwise rigid crystal structure
- Measurement of ionic conductivity: electrochemical impedance spectroscopy (EIS)
- Important in energy applications: O^{2-} , Li^+ , H^+
- **APPLICATIONS:**
batteries, fuel cells (e.g. **SOFC**), supercapacitors, chemical sensors, separation membranes, gas (e.g. **oxygen**) storage



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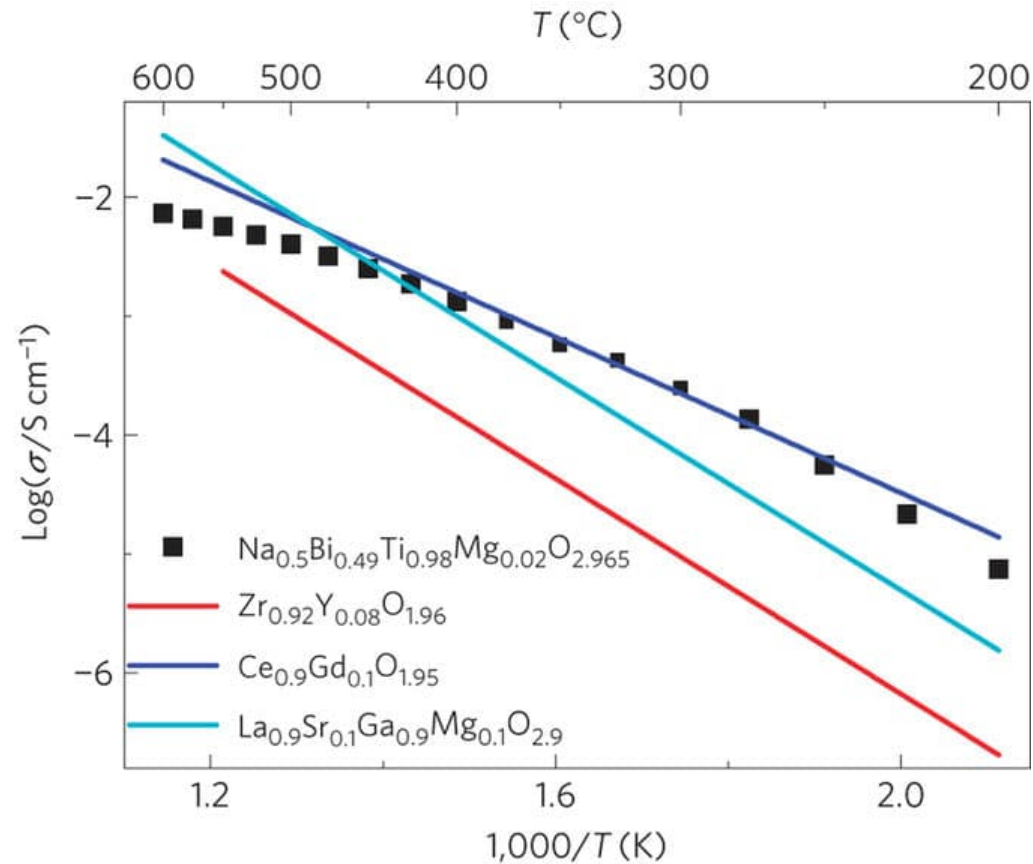


mobile interstitial

EFFECTIVE IONIC RADII

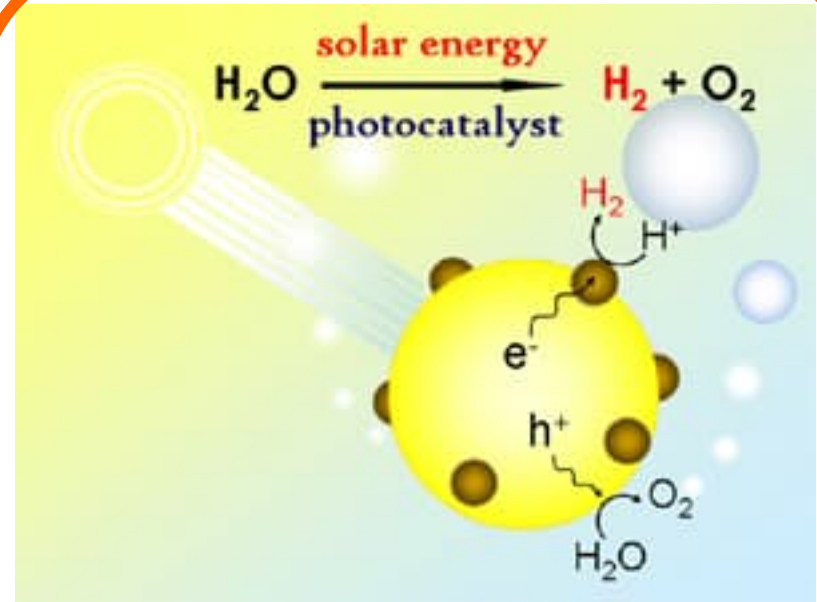
O^{2-}	140 pm
OH^-	137 pm
Li^+	60 pm
H^+	very small

	Material	Conductivity ($S m^{-1}$)
Ionic conductors	Ionic crystals	$< 10^{-16} - 10^{-2}$
	Solid Electrolytes	$10^{-1} - 10^3$
	Liquid electrolytes	$10^{-1} - 10^3$
Electronic conductors	Metals	$10^3 - 10^7$
	Semiconductors	$10^{-3} - 10^4$
	Insulators	$< 10^{-10}$





Redox exhaust gas catalyst
TOKYO ROKI Co. Ltd.



H₂/O₂ separation
in photocatalytic water splitting
Domen Lab. (Univ. of Tokyo)



Solid oxide fuel cell (SOFC)
oxide-ion conducting materials
NISSAN Motor Co. Ltd.

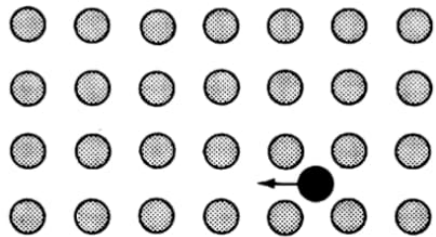
Examples of APPLICATIONS

- Storage
- Separation
- Purification
- Sensors

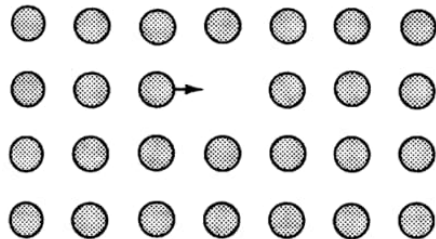
OXIDE-ION CONDUCTIVITY & OXYGEN-STORAGE

MATERIAL DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

- **Open structure:** space for O^{2-} ion diffusion
- **Oxygen vacancies:** efficient O^{2-} -ion hopping
- **High crystal symmetry:** all oxygen sites equivalent (e.g. cubic ZrO_2 desired)
- **Redox-active cations:** oxygen-content variation → **OXYGEN STORAGE**
- For sensor and separation applications → thin films
- Other important factors: chemical/thermal stability, thermal expansion, ...



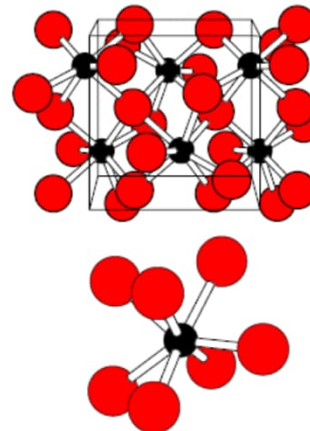
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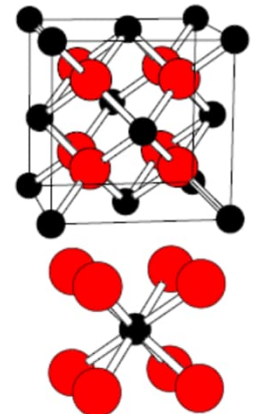
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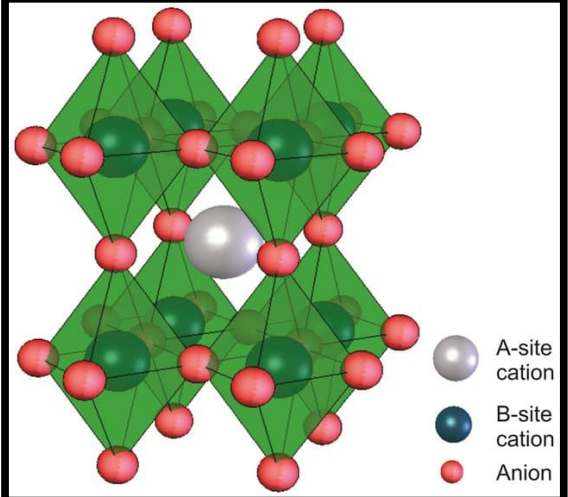
Phase Transitions in ZrO_2

Room Temperature
Monoclinic ($P2_1/c$)
7 coordinate Zr
4 coord. + 3 coord. O^{2-}



High Temperature
Cubic ($Fm\bar{3}m$)
cubic coordination for Zr
tetrahedral coord. for O^{2-}



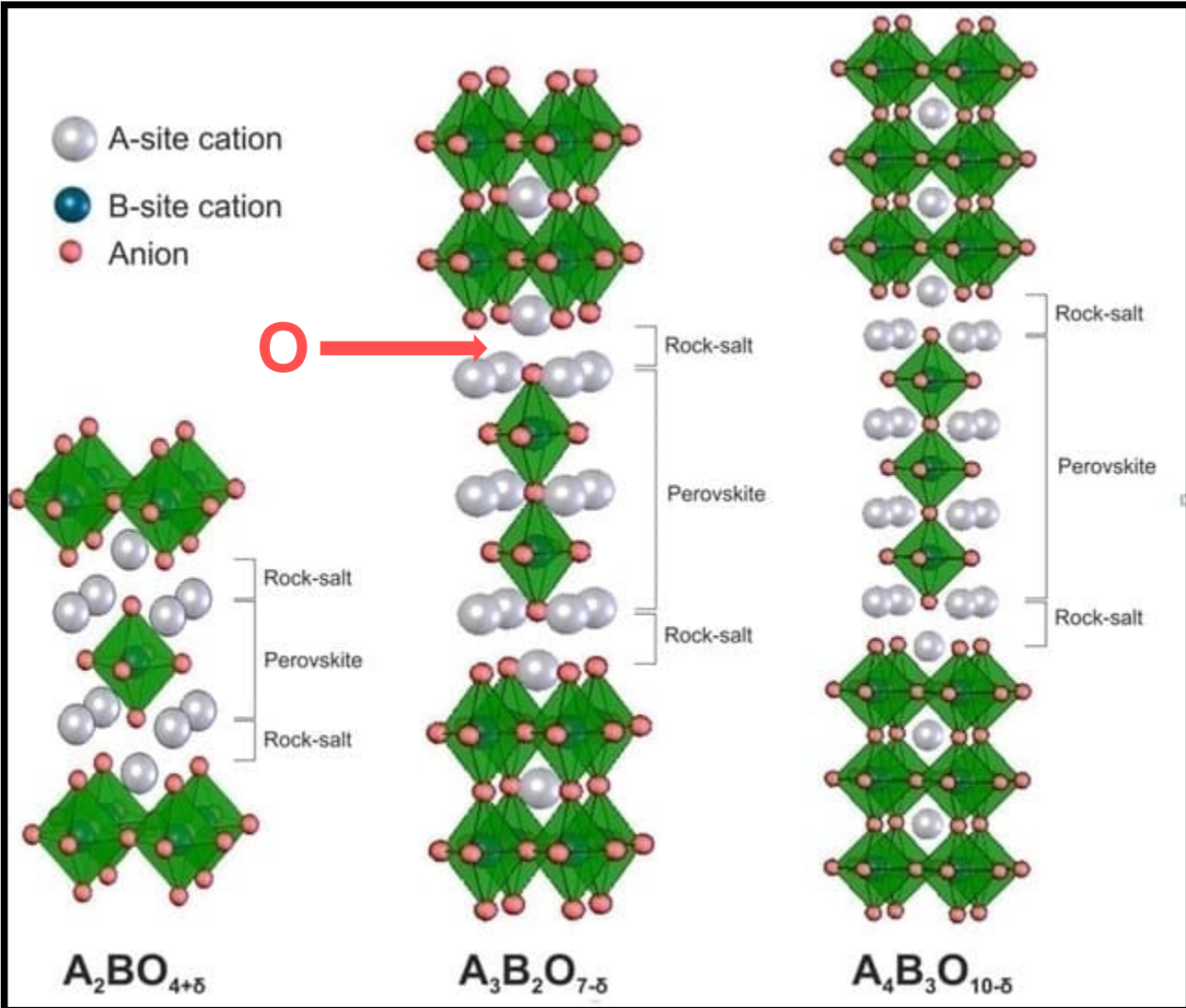


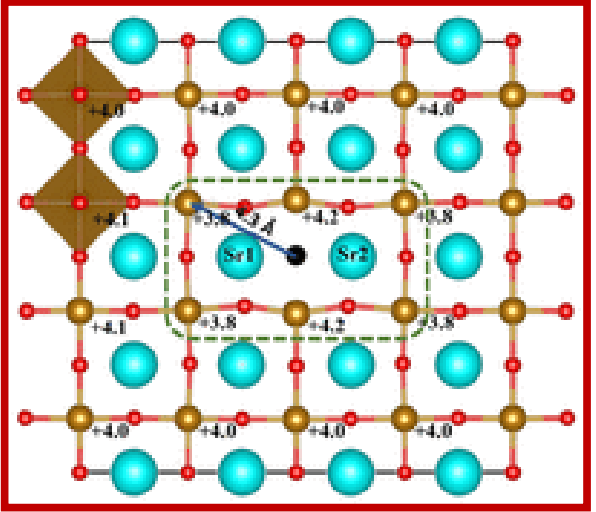
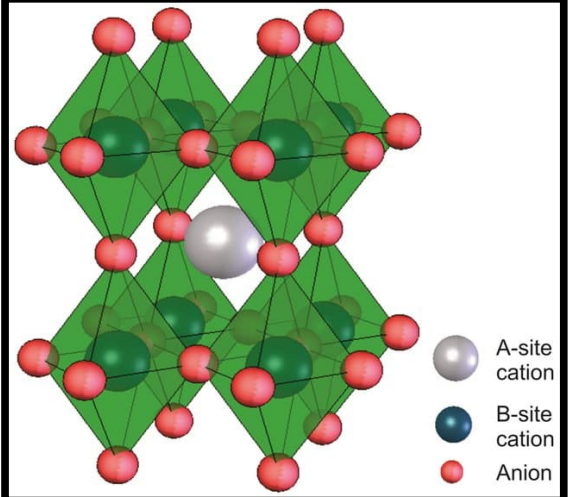
Perovskite ABO_3

- No space for interstitial oxygen

Ruddlesden-Popper $A_{n+1}B_nO_{1+3n}$

- Enough space for interstitial oxygen

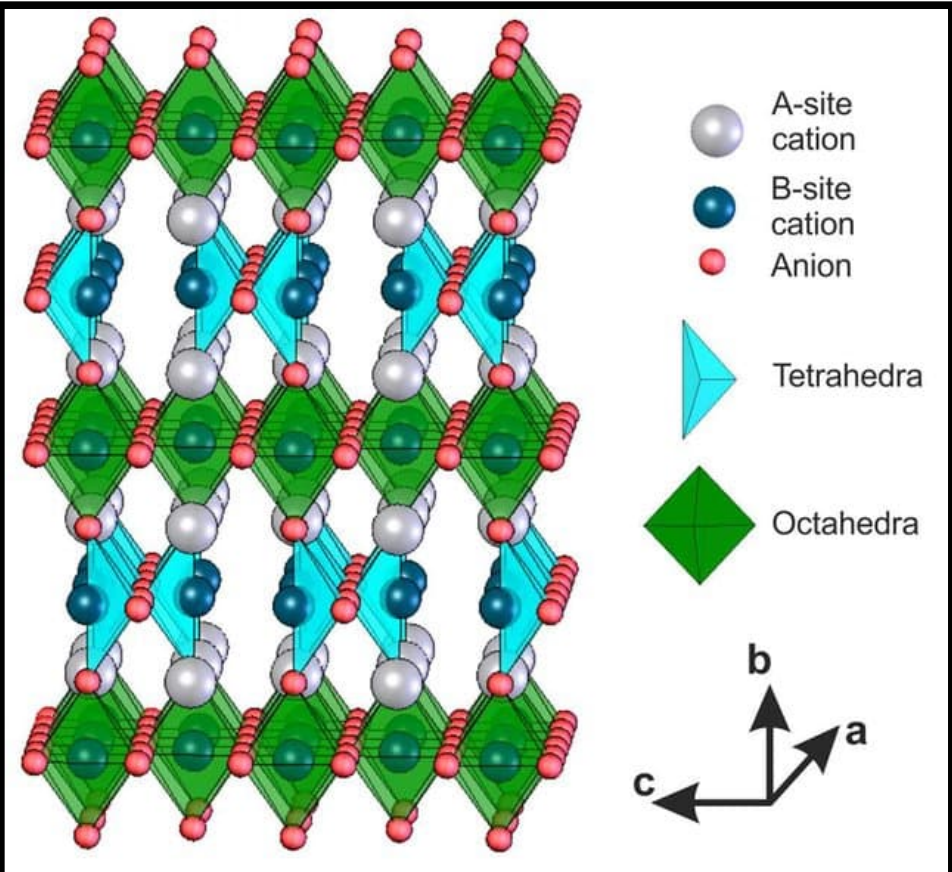




Perovskite $ABO_{3-\delta}$
 - (random) oxygen vacancies

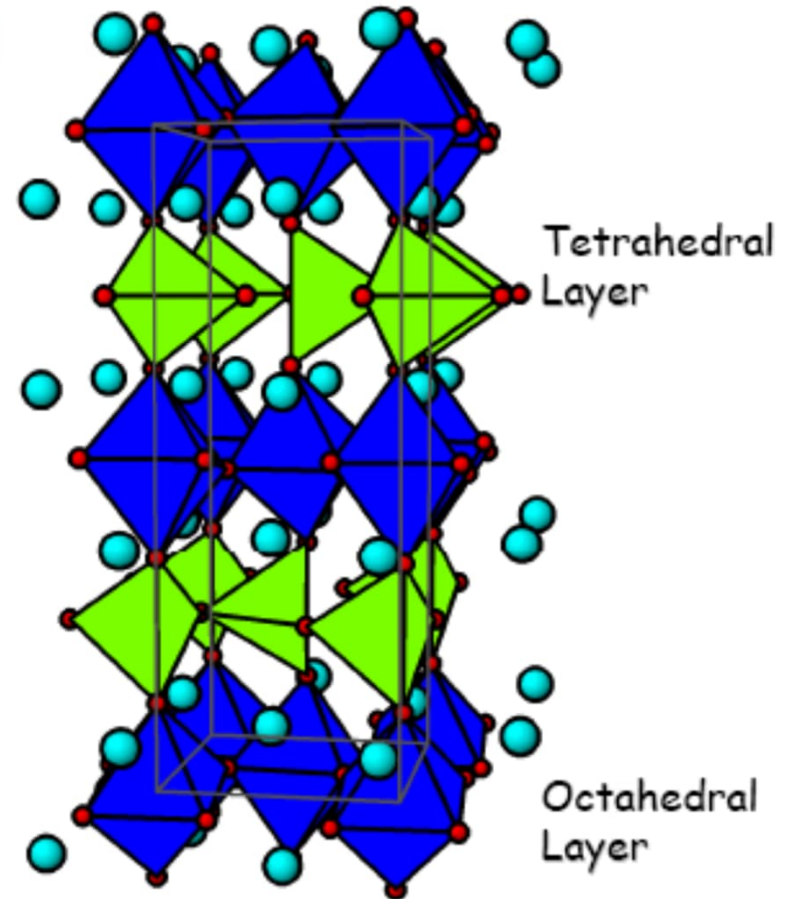
WHICH ONE IS BETTER?

Brownmillerite $ABO_{2.5}$
 - Oxygen-vacancy ordered

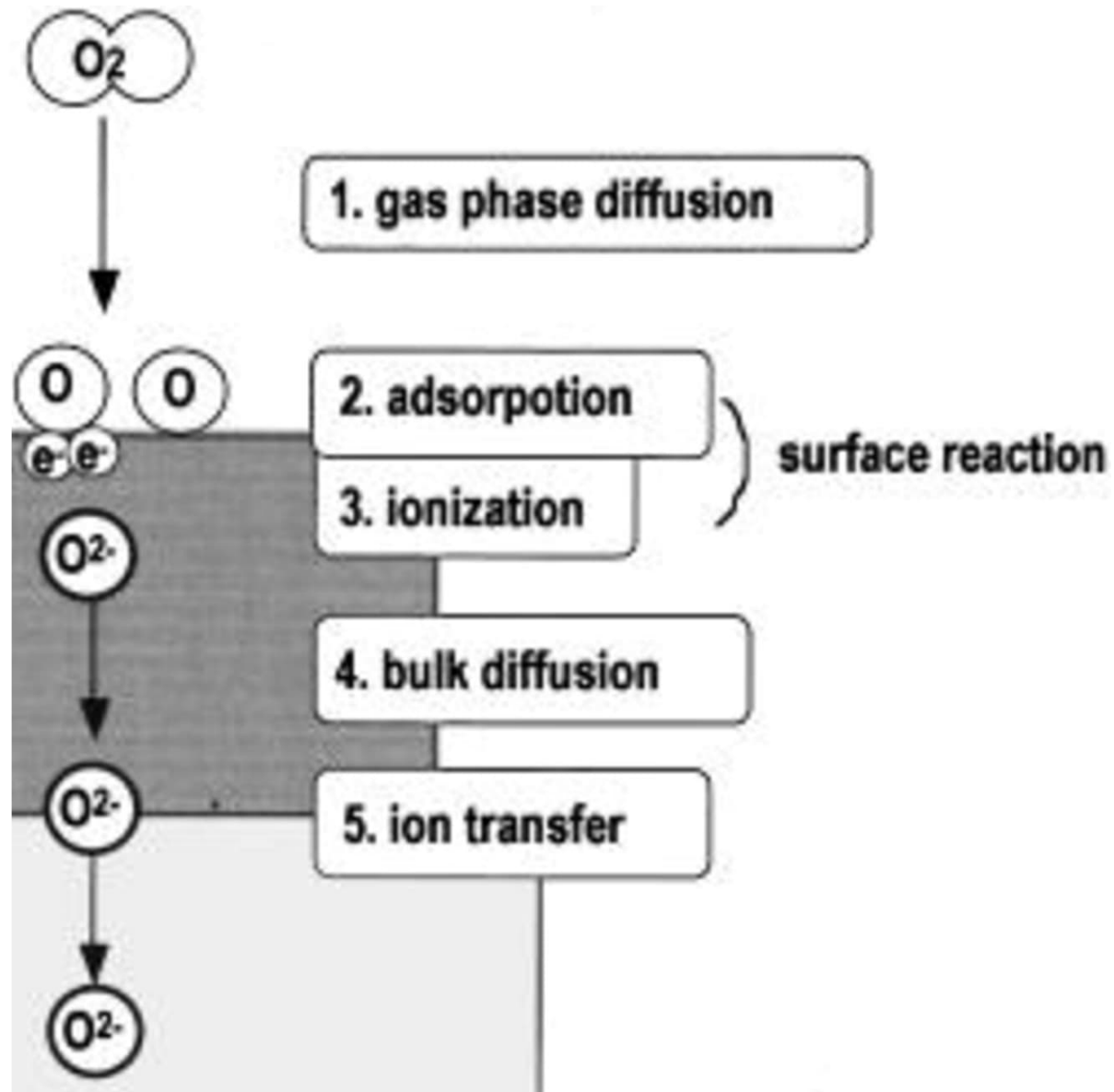


Ba₂In₂O₅ (BaInO_{2.5})

- **Brownmillerite structure**
derived from the **perovskite structure**
(oxygen vacancies ordered into layers)
- **With increasing temperature, the random oxygen vacancies get ordered around 800 °C; simultaneously the oxide ion conductivity jumps from 10⁻³ S/cm to 10⁻¹ S/cm**

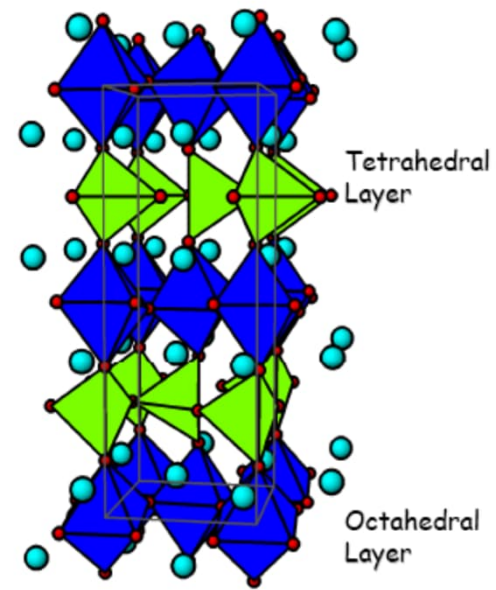


WHAT KIND(S) of OXYGEN SPECIES ?

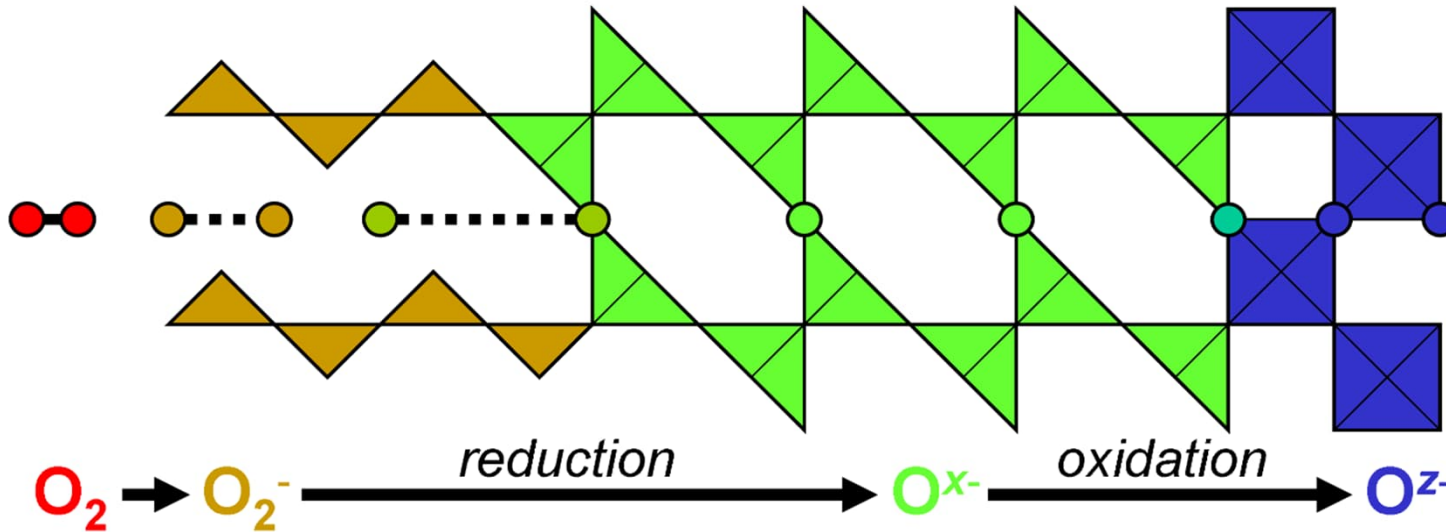


Perovskite (brownmillerite) $\text{SrCoO}_{3-\delta}$ upon increasing oxygen content from 2.5 to 2.8

- O *K*-edge and Co *L*-edge XANES spectroscopy in both surface and bulk sensitive modes →
- first: O_2 is first absorbed on the surface as O_2^-
- then: O_2^- is split into O^{x-} in a reductive manner
- finally: O^{x-} is oxidized to O^{z-} in the bulk ($0 < z < x$)

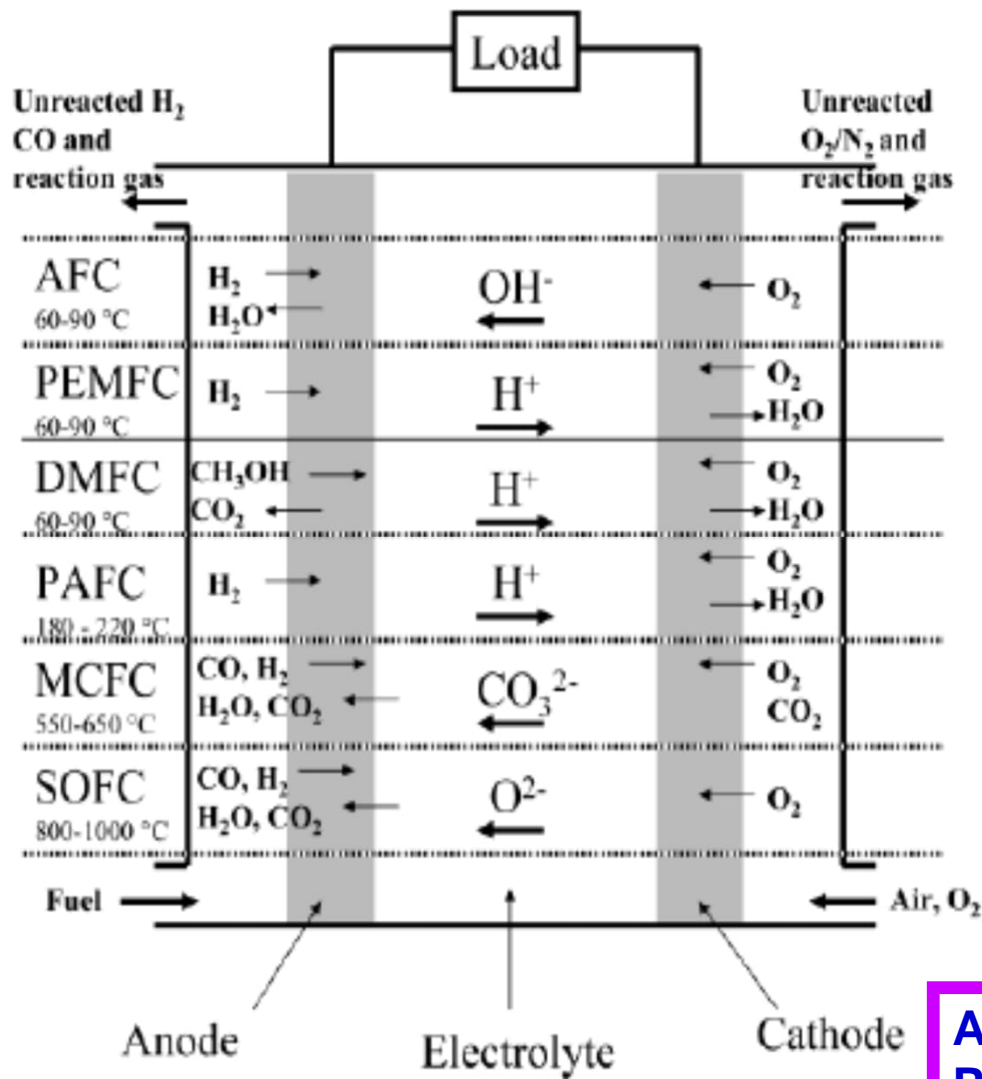


Oxygen Intercalation in $\text{SrCoO}_{3-\delta}$



FUEL CELLS

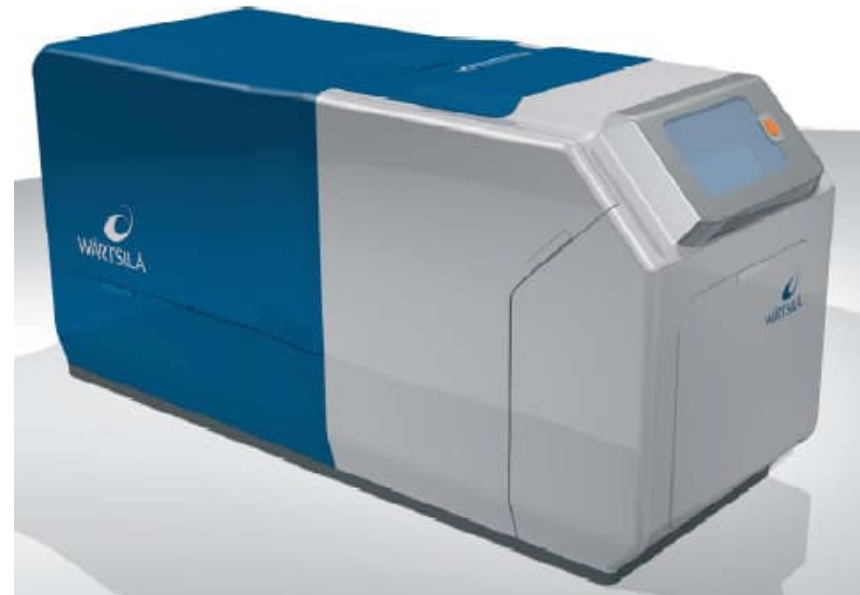
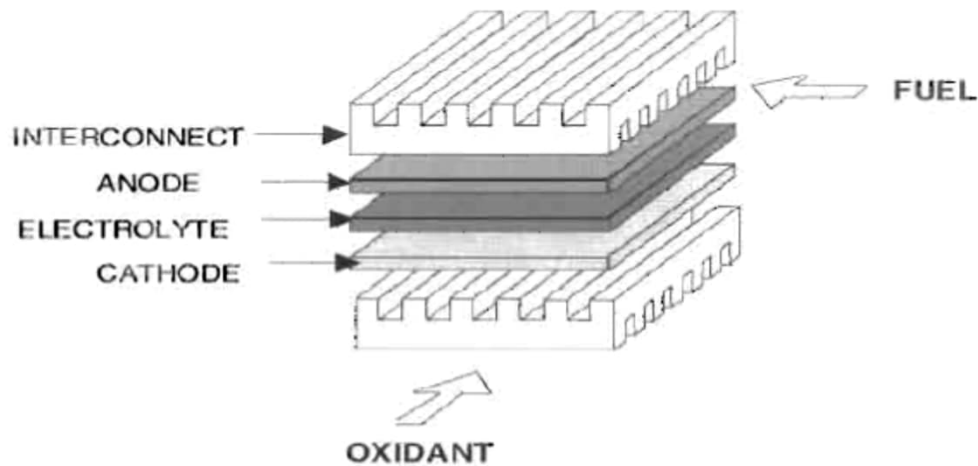
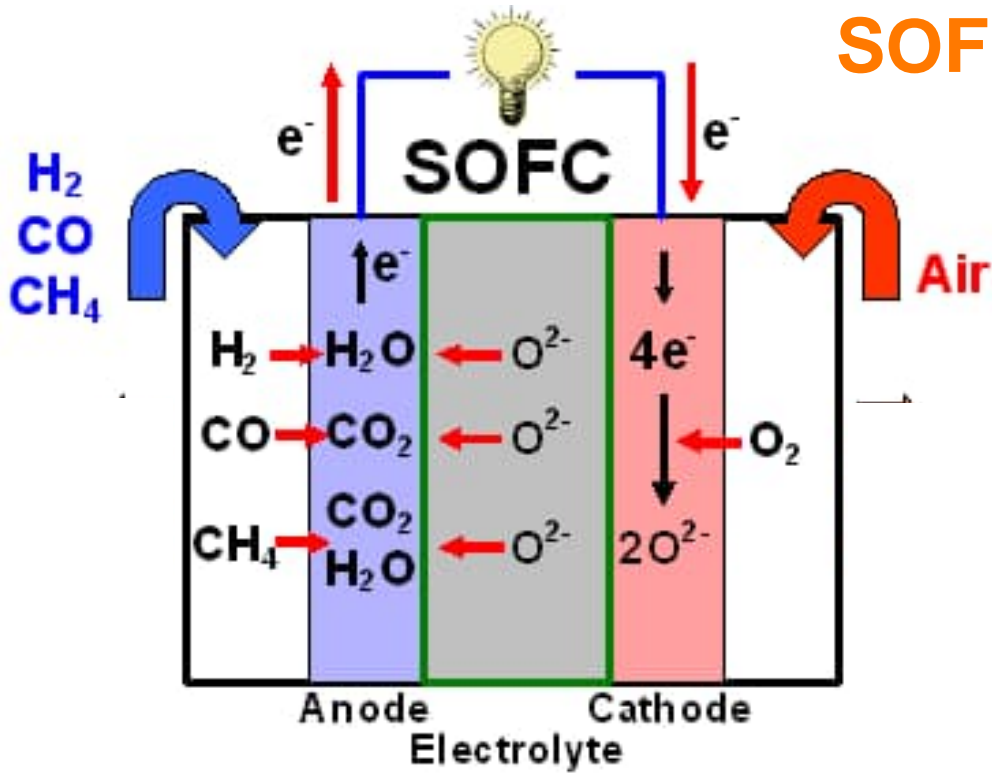
- **ELECTROCHEMICAL DEVICE:** converts the chemical energy from **continuously fed fuel** into electricity through a **chemical reaction with oxygen** or another oxidizing agent
- **POSSIBLE FUELS:** H₂, NH₃, carbon, CO, CH₄, CH₃CH₂OH, propane, butane, natural gas, diesel, Al, Mg, Zn
- Principle of fuel cell: Schönbein 1838
- First practical fuel cell: Bacon 1959
- First applications: Apollo space crafts by NASA in 1970s
- Potential (future) applications: mobile devices, cars, ships, combined heat and electricity production for buildings, ...
- **LOW-TEMPERATURE FUEL CELLS:** the main problem is the slowness of oxidation reactions → Pt catalyst → nanostructuring to increase the active Pt surface
- **HIGH-TEMPERATURE FUEL CELLS:** catalyst not needed, but thermodynamic conversion efficiency decreases with increasing temperature

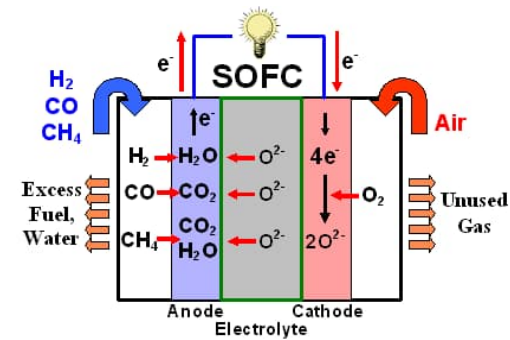


FUEL CELLS

- AFC** Alkaline fuel cell
- PEMFC** Proton exchange membrane
- DMFC** Methol direct oxidize fuel cell
- PAFC** Phosphate fuel cell
- MCFC** Molten carbonate fuel cell
- SOFC** Solid-oxide fuel cell

SOFC: Solid Oxide Fuel Cell





SOFC Material Requirements

ANODE & CATHODE

- **MIEC: Mixed Ionic and Electronic (1–100 S/cm) Conductor**
- Chemical & mechanical stability (at 600-900 °C) under oxidizing conditions for cathode (oxides), under highly reducing conditions for anode (metals);
no coking or sulfur poisoning for anode
- **Cathode p-type, anode n-type !!!**
- Thermal expansion coefficients to match with the electrolyte
- **Sufficient porosity** to facilitate transport of O₂ gas

ELECTROLYTE

- **High oxide ion conductivity but very low electronic conductivity**
- Stable in both reducing and oxidizing conditions (pO_2 : 10^{-20} –1 atm)
- **Free of porosity**

INTERCONNECT (between anode and cathode): **stainless steel or (La,Sr)CrO₃**

- High electronic conductivity and negligible ionic conductivity
- **Free of porosity**
- Stable in both oxidizing and reducing conditions
- Chemical and thermal **compatibility** with other components

■ ELECTROLYTE

- oxide-ion conductor & electrical insulator
- $(\text{Zr},\text{Y})\text{O}_2$ (= YSZ; cubic structure & oxygen vacancies)
(works well only at high operation temperatures)
- $(\text{La}_{0.2}\text{Sr}_{0.8})(\text{Ga}_{0.3}\text{Mg}_{0.7})\text{O}_{3-\delta}$ (Ga is expensive)
- $\text{YBaCo}_4\text{O}_{7+\delta}$ [M. Karppinen, et al., *Chem. Mater.* 18, 490 (2006)]

■ ANODE

- MIEC (mixed ionic & electronic conductor)
- Ni/YSZ composite
(works with H_2 , but not for C- and S-containing fuels)
- $(\text{La},\text{Sr})_{0.9}(\text{Cr}_{0.5}\text{Mn}_{0.5})\text{O}_{3-\delta}$ [S.W. Tao & J.T.S. Irvine, *Nature Mater.* 2, 320 (2003)]
- $\text{Sr}_2(\text{Mg},\text{Mn})\text{MoO}_{6-\delta}$ [Y.H. Huang, J.B. Goodenough, et al., *Science* 312, 254 (2006)]

■ CATHODE

- MIEC (mixed ionic & electronic conductor)
- $(\text{La},\text{Sr})\text{MnO}_{3-\delta}$ (reacts with the electrolyte)
- $(\text{Sr},\text{Ba})(\text{Co},\text{Fe})\text{O}_{3-\delta}$ [Z.P. Shao & S.Haile, *Nature* 431, 170 (2004)]

PRESENT ELECTROLYTE: Y-STABILIZED ZIRKONIA (YSZ)

- $(\text{Zr},\text{Y})\text{O}_2$: cubic fluorite structure
- Y^{3+} -for- Zr^{4+} (8%) substitution creates oxygen vacancies
- **Electronic conductivity low enough (no mixed valency)**
- Good mechanical properties & relatively low price
- **PROBLEM: oxide-ion conductivity somewhat low**
(could be improved by e.g. replacing Y with Sc, but Sc very rare/expensive)

NEW ELECTROLYTE CANDIDATE: $(\text{La},\text{Sr})(\text{Ga},\text{Mg})\text{O}_{3-\delta}$

- Perovskite structure
- Sr^{2+} -for- La^{3+} & Mg^{2+} -for- Ga^{3+} → **oxygen vacancies** → **oxide-ion conductivity**
- **Electronic conductivity low enough**
- **PROBLEMS:**
 - Decomposes at high temperatures & reducing conditions → operation < 800 °C
 - Mechanical properties not as good as for YSZ
 - Reacts with some electrode materials → buffer layers ?
 - Ga is expensive → Al-for-Ga substitution ?

PRESENT CATHODE: Perovskite (La,Sr)MnO₃

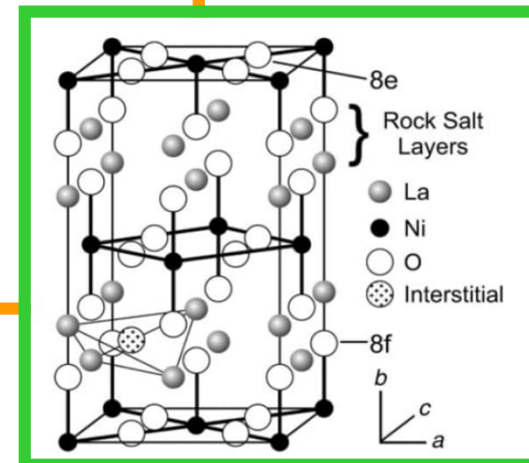
- Sr²⁺-for-La³⁺ substitution: Mn³⁺ → Mn⁴⁺ → **Good electronic cond.** (500 S/cm @ 800°C)
- Stable under highly oxidizing conditions & Low price
- **PROBLEM: too low ionic conductivity** → mixing with electrolyte for a composite

NEW CATHODE CANDIDATE: Perovskite (La,Sr)(Co,Fe)O_{3-δ}

- (La,Sr)CoO_{3-δ} - Sr²⁺-for-La³⁺ substitution: Co³⁺ → Co⁴⁺ & O-vacancies → **MIEC**
 - **PROBLEM: Co is expensive**
- (La,Sr)FeO_{3-δ} - Better thermal expansion characteristics
 - But lower electrical conductivity

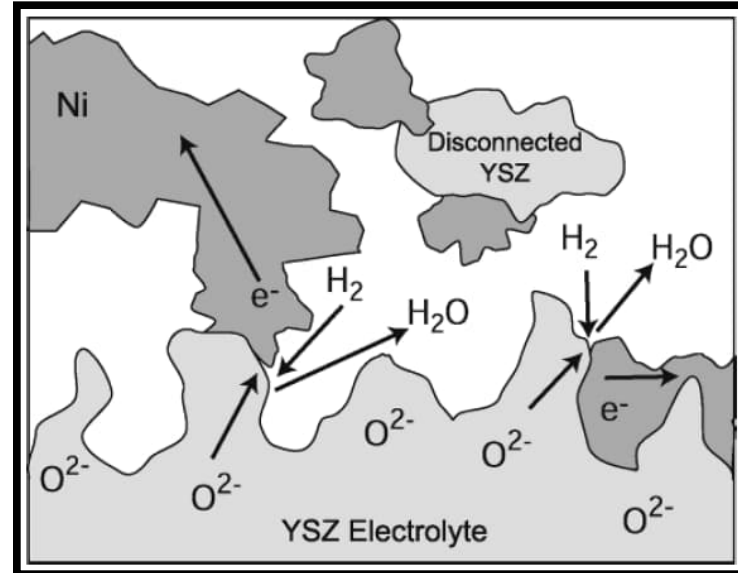
NEW CATHODE CANDIDATE: Ruddlesden-Popper La₂NiO₄

- Very good ionic conductivity: **interstitial oxygen !**
- Excellent electrical conductivity:
semiconductor-metal transition around 400°C
- Reacts with YSZ; long term stability ?



PRESENT ANODE: NICKEL

- Reducing conditions → metals → Ni best (cheap)
- High electronic conductivity ($\sim 10^5$ S/cm)
- **No oxide-ion conductivity** → **mixing with electrolyte (composite "cermet")**
- Works perfectly with H_2 , but **poisoning when the fuel contains C or S**



NEW ANODE CANDIDATE: Perovskite $(La,Sr)CrO_3$

- $LaCrO_3$: too low conductivity
- Sr^{2+} -for- La^{3+} : $Cr^{3+} \rightarrow Cr^{4+}$, **increased electrical conductivity** (but p -type, **not good!**)
- Decent sulfur tolerance

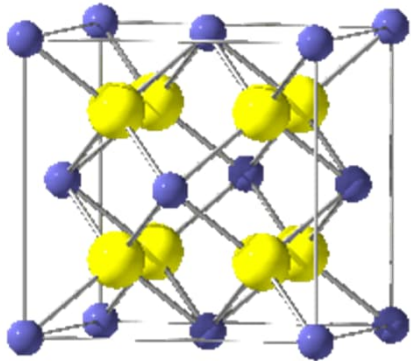


NEW ANODE CANDIDATE: Double Perovskite Sr_2MgMoO_{6-w}

- **n-type**; decent electronic conductivity (intrinsic $Mo^{6+} \rightarrow Mo^{5+}$; $\sigma = 1-10$ S/cm)
- Stable in both reducing and oxidizing conditions, and with C and S containing fuels

Y.H. Huang, R.I. Dass, Z.L. Xing & J.B. Goodenough, Double perovskites as anode materials for solid-oxide fuel cells, *Science* **312**, 254 (2006).

OXYGEN STORAGE



COMMERCIAL CeO_2

- $\text{CeO}_{2-\delta}$: $\text{Ce}^{\text{III/IV}}$
- $(\text{Ce},M)\text{O}_{2-\delta}$: $M = \text{Zr}, \text{Ti}, \text{Y}, \text{Bi}, \text{etc.}$ (commercial)
- $\text{OSC} \approx 1500 \mu\text{mol-O} / \text{g}_{\text{cat}}$ (500°C)
[Y. Nagai *et al.*, *Catalysis Today* 74, 225 (2002)]
- good oxide-ion conductivity when $T > 500^\circ\text{C}$
→ exhaust catalyst, SOFC electrolyte

NEW OXYGEN-STORAGE MATERIAL !!

- $\text{YBaCo}_4\text{O}_{7+\delta}$: $\text{Co}^{\text{II/III}}$ ($0 < \delta < 1.5$)
- $\text{OSC} \approx 2700 \mu\text{mol-O} / \text{g}_{\text{cat}}$ ($200 \sim 350^\circ\text{C}$)
[M. Karppinen *et al.*, *Chem. Mater.* 18, 490 (2006);
Int. Patent Appl. PCT/JP2006313436, filed June 6, 2006]

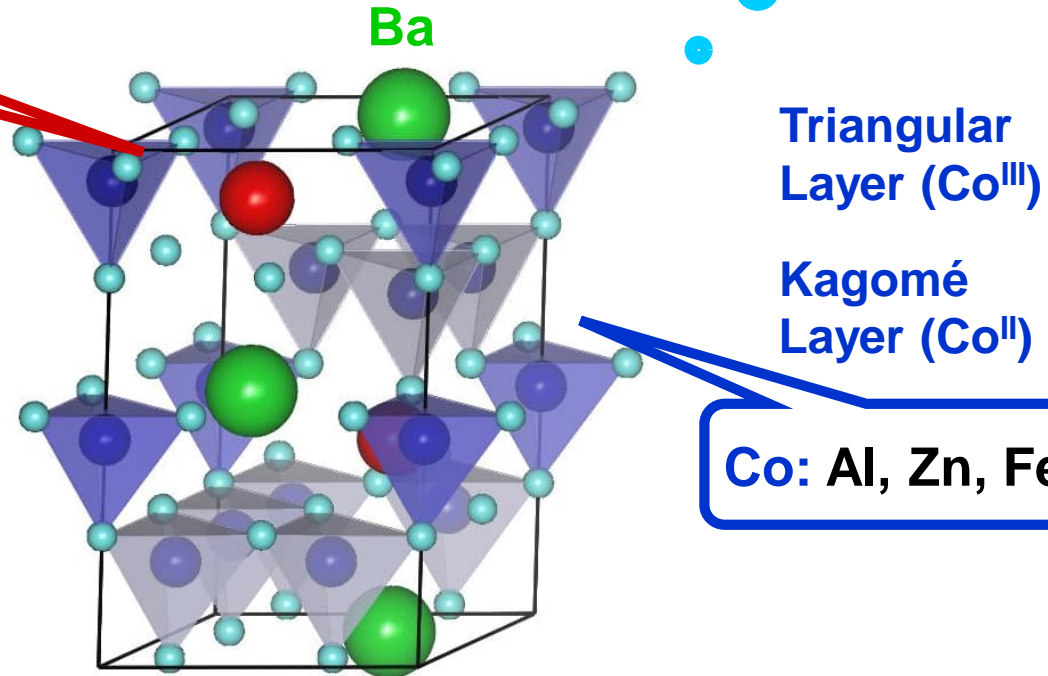
OSC (oxygen-storage capacity): $\mu\text{molO/g}$

YBaCo₄O₇

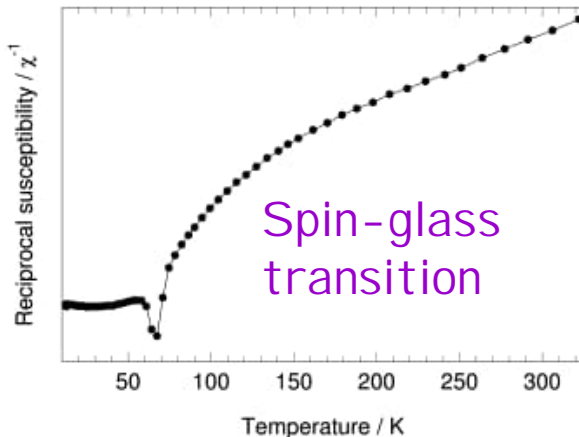
- Compound discovered in 2002 in Sweden
[M. Valldor & M. Andersson, *Solid State Sci.* 4, 923 (2002).]
- Investigated for:
 - magnetic properties (frustrated Kagome-lattice)
 - thermoelectric properties (layered Co oxide)

OXYGEN
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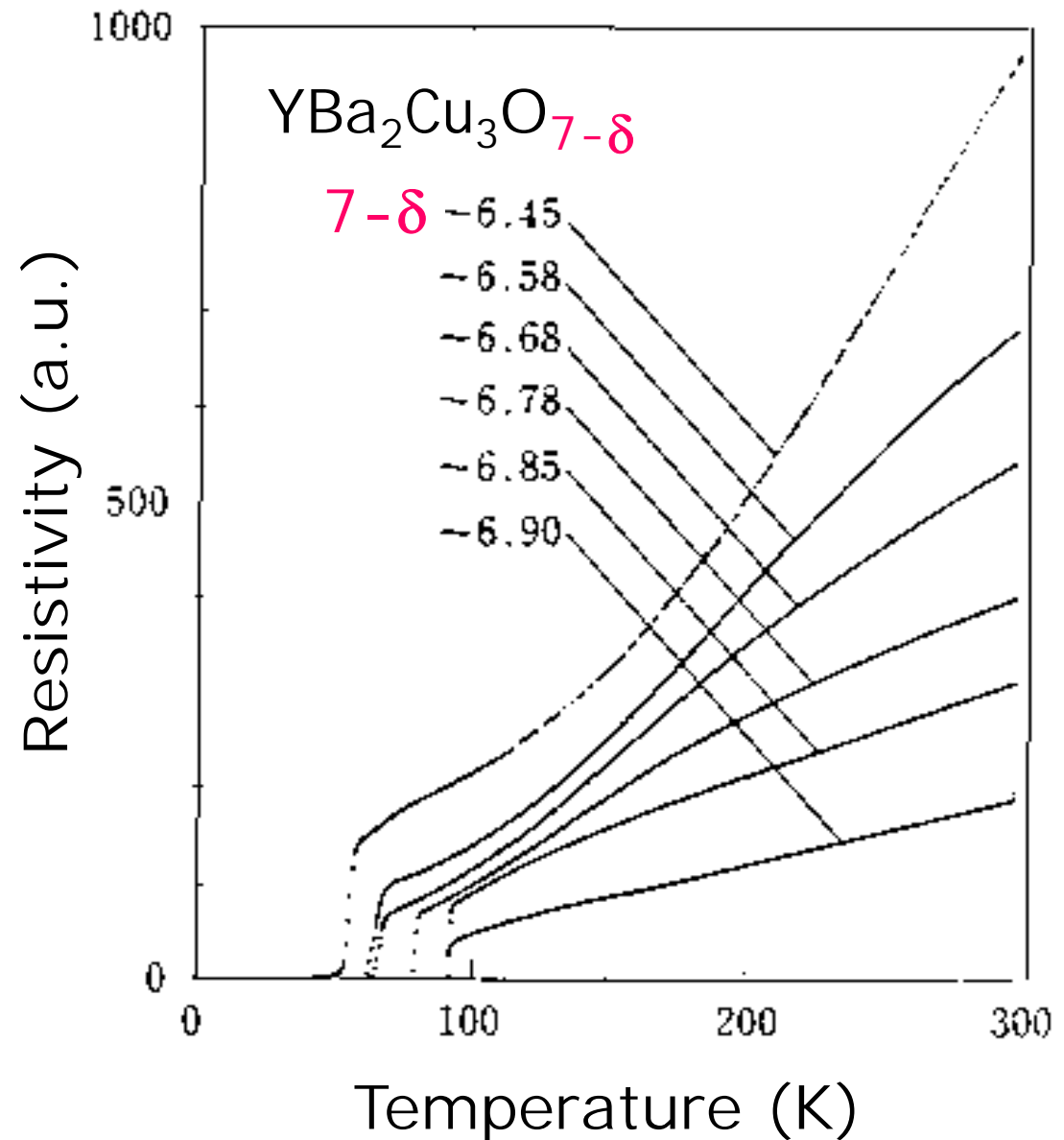
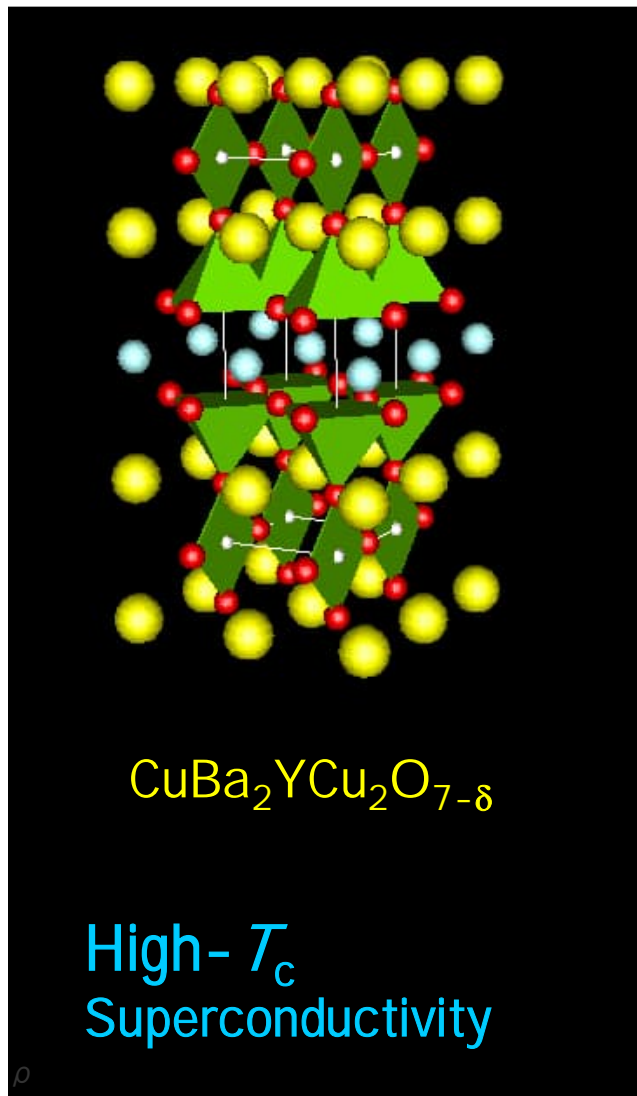
Y: Dy ~ Lu, Ca, In



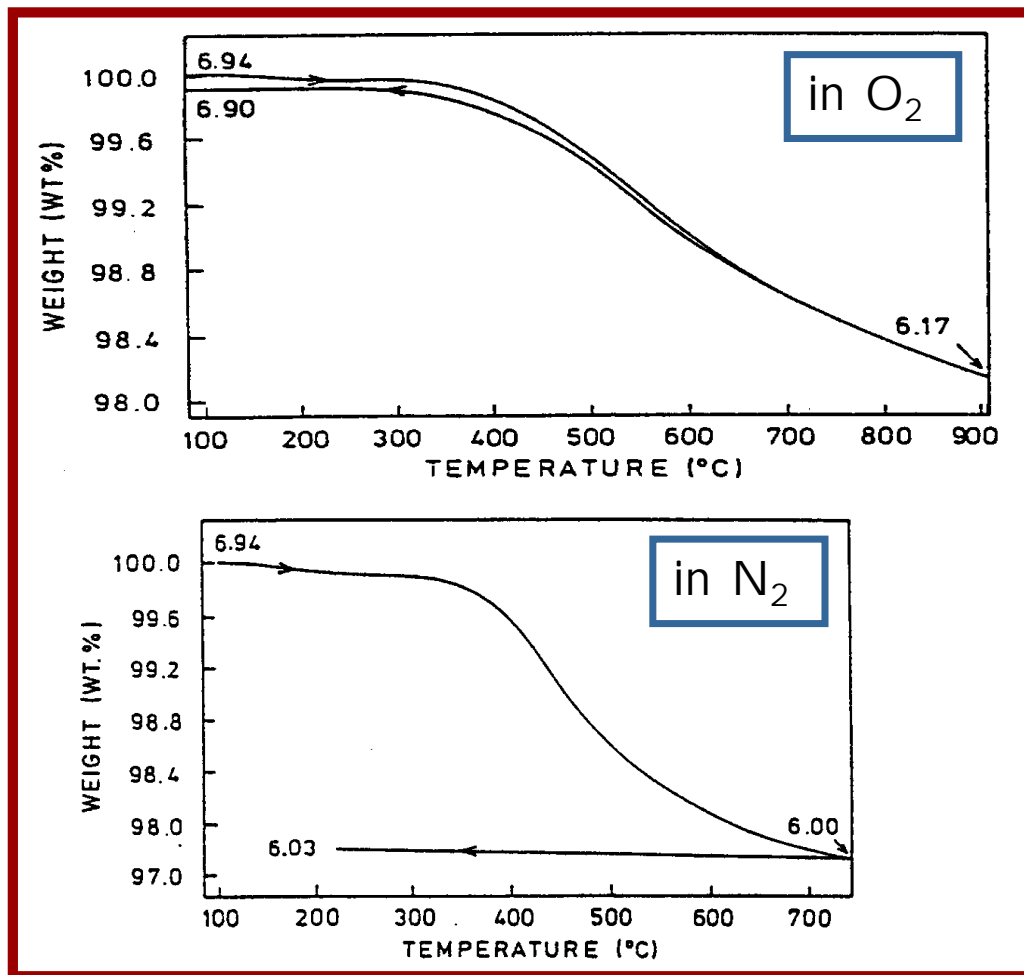
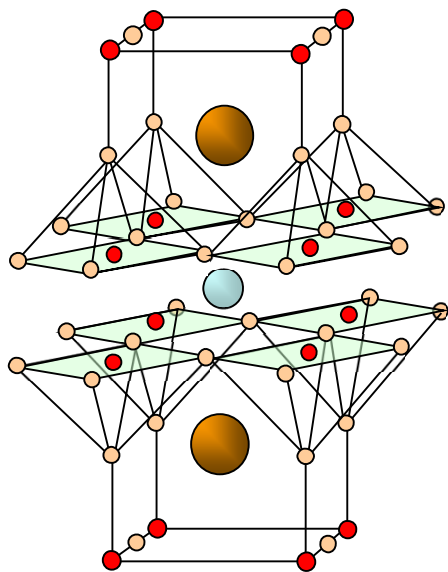
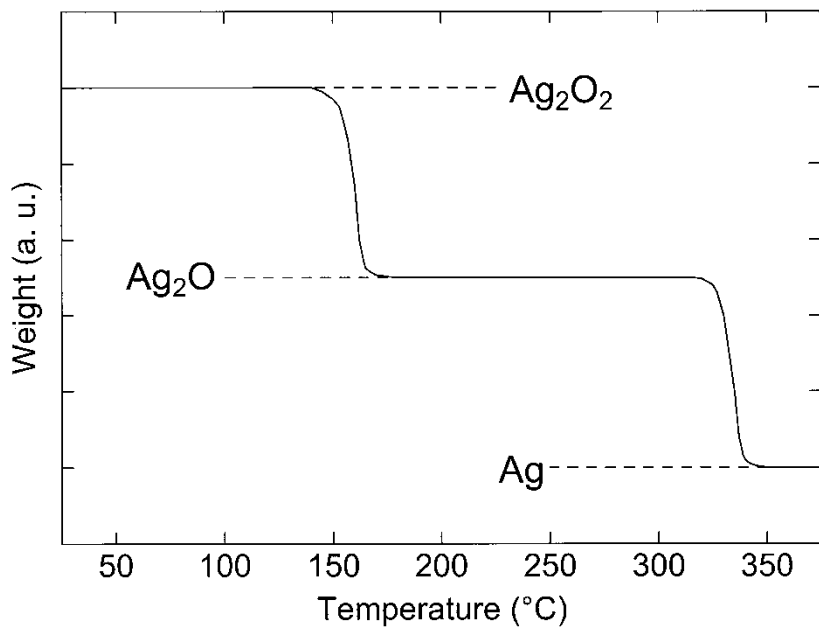
Co: Al, Zn, Fe



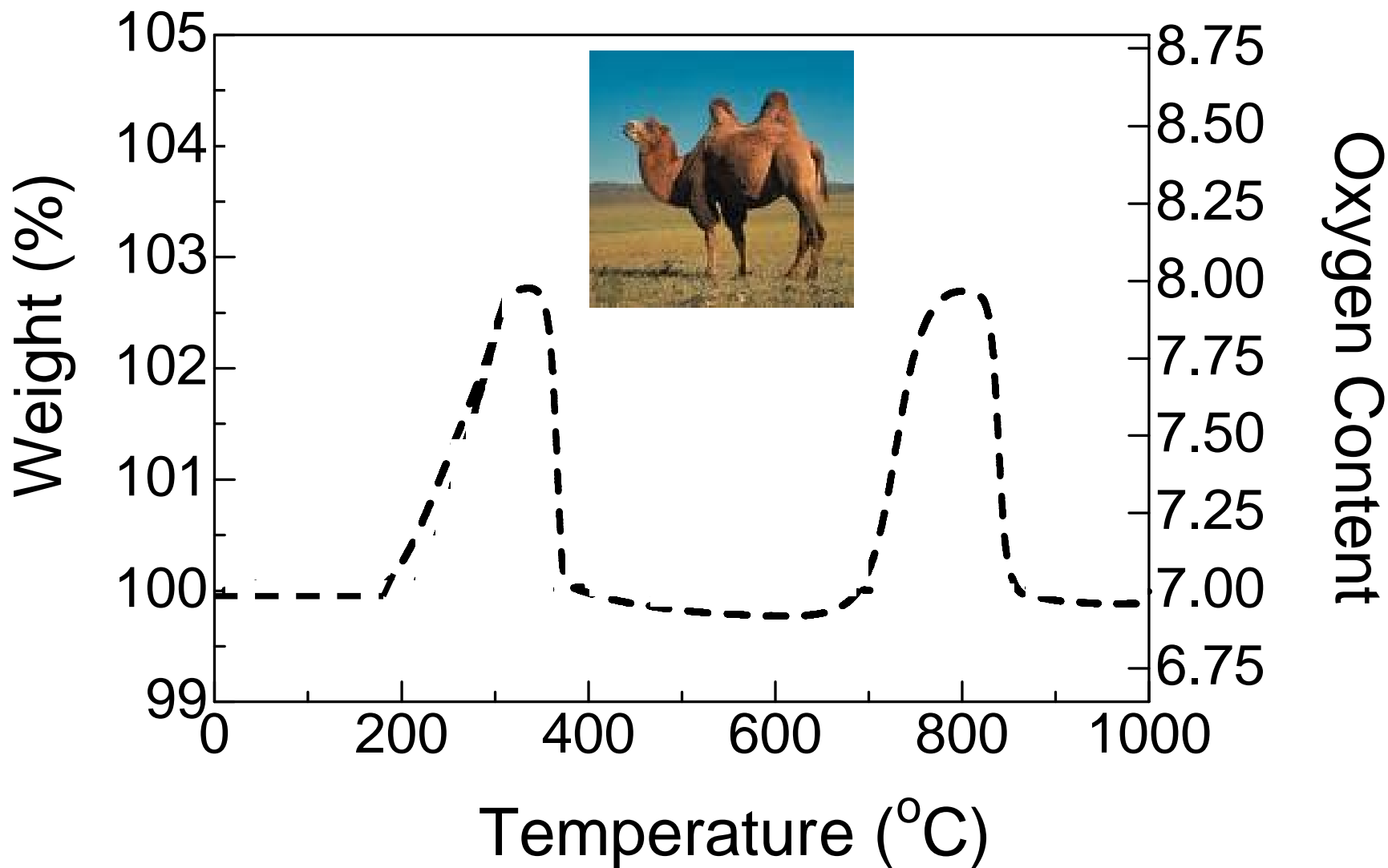
SUPERCONDUCTIVITY depends on OXYGEN CONTENT



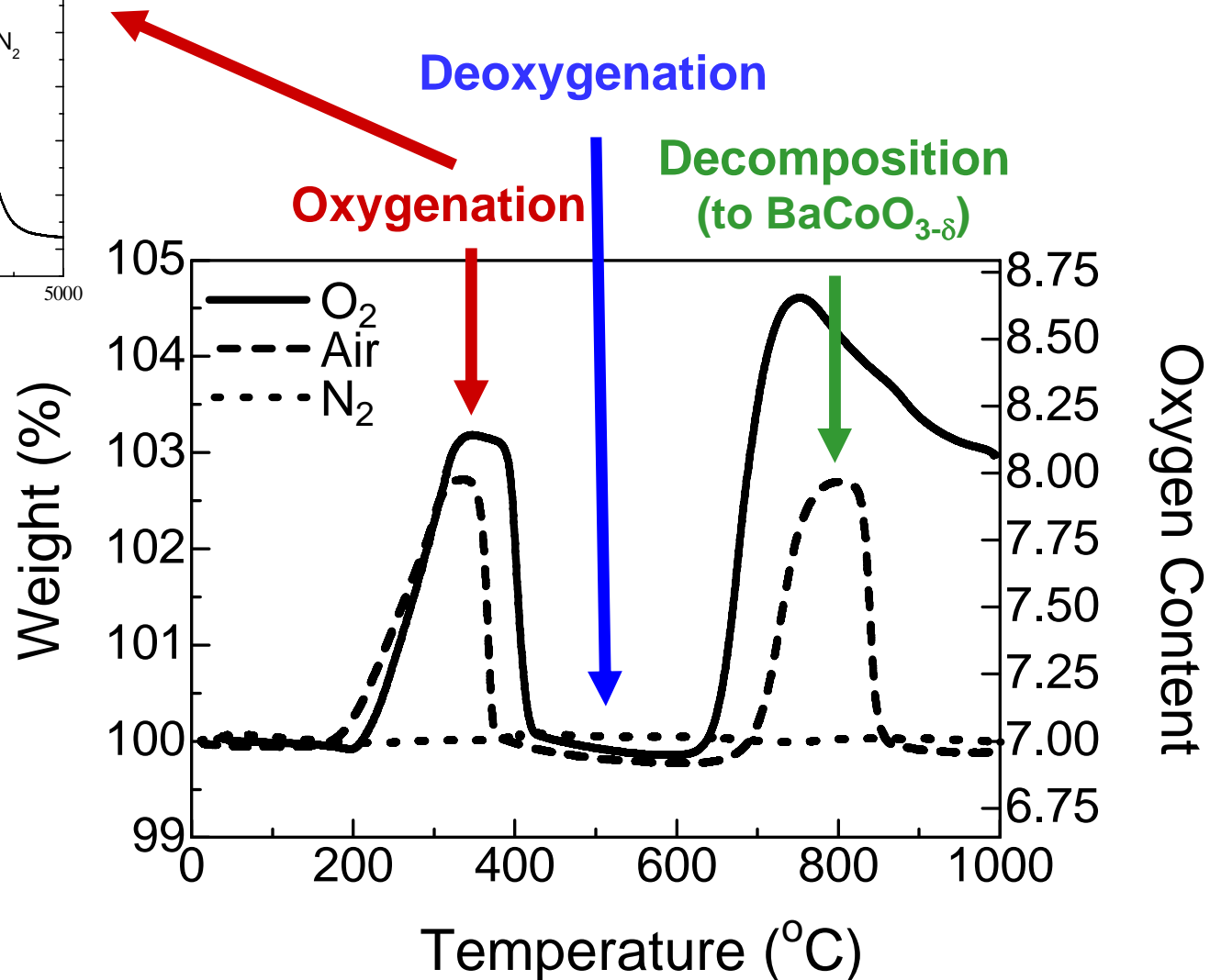
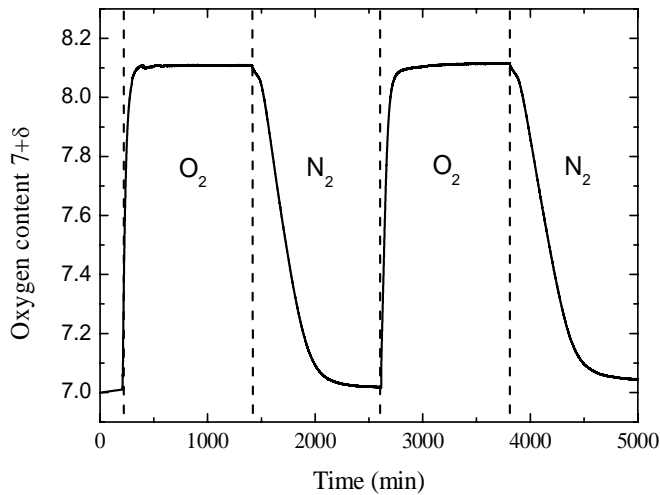
Thermogravimetry (TG): AgO in air



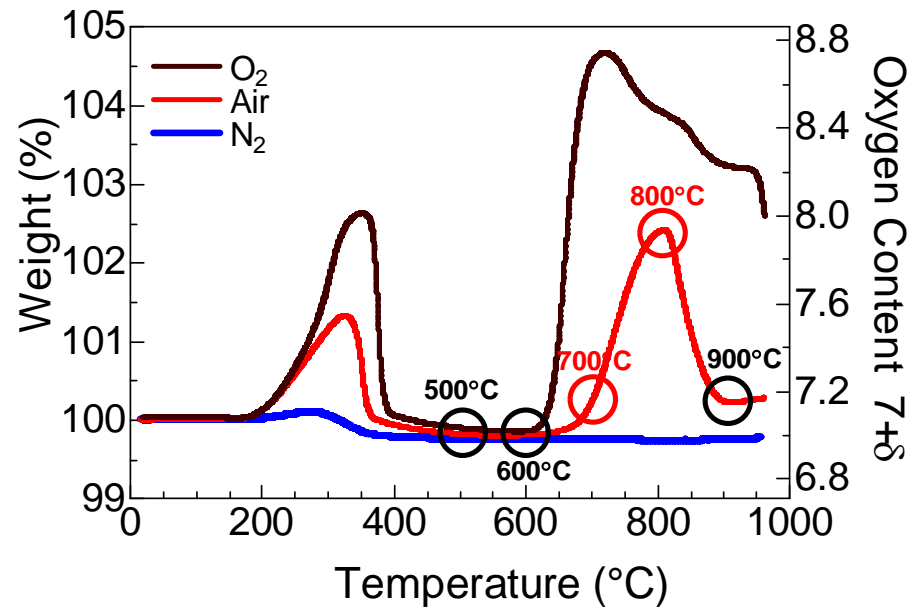
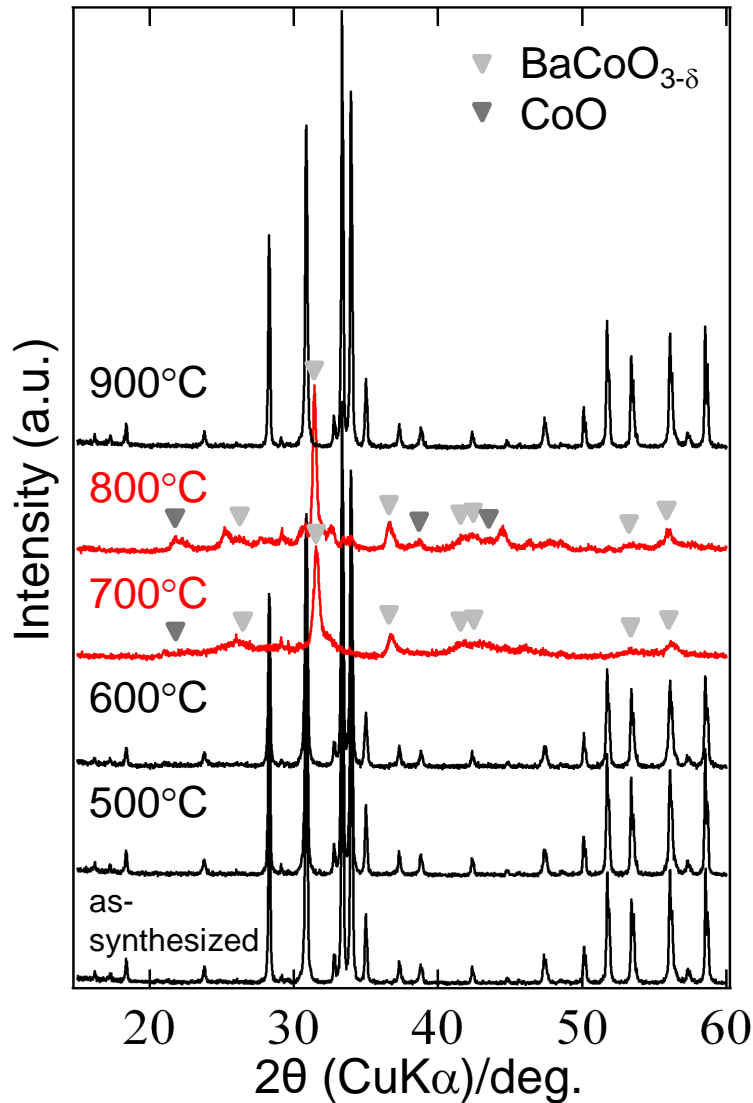
YBaCo₄O₇: heating in air in a thermobalance



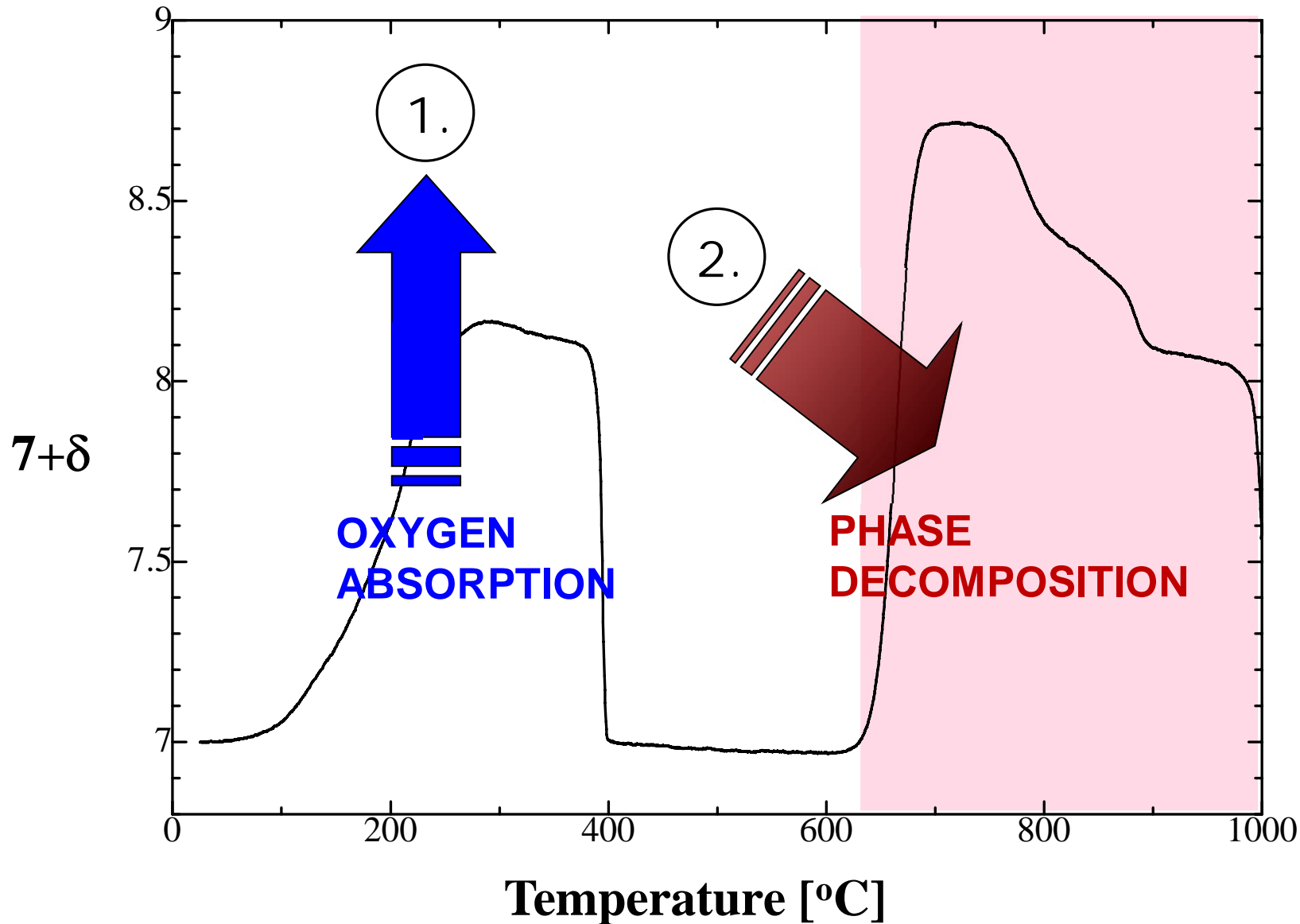
Temperature: 300 °C



Decomposition of $\text{YBaCo}_4\text{O}_{7+\delta}$ at high temperatures



Further Improvements



ISOVALENT SUBSTITUTIONS

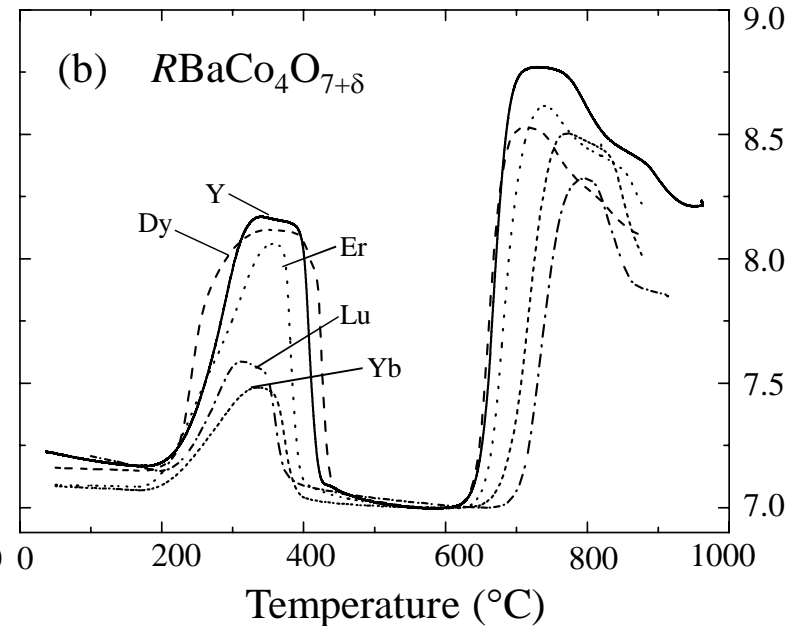
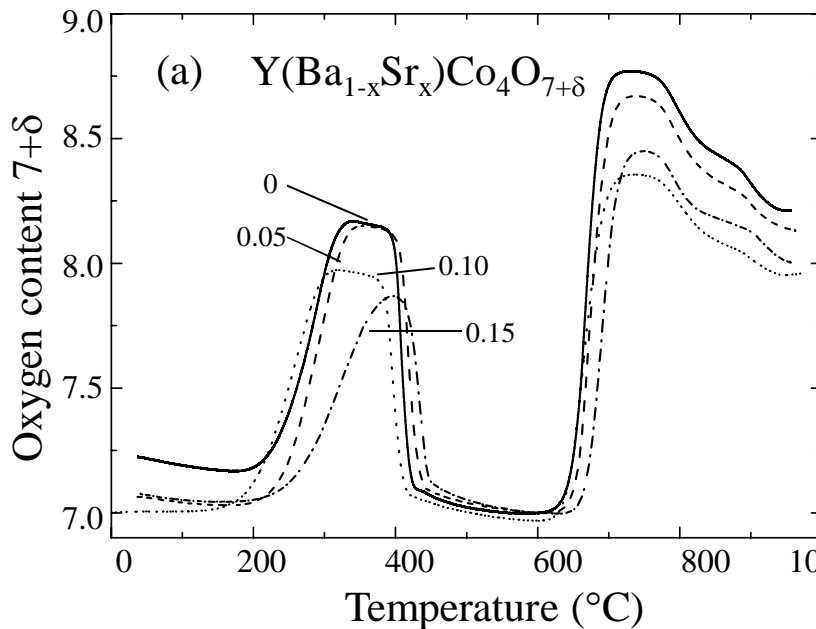
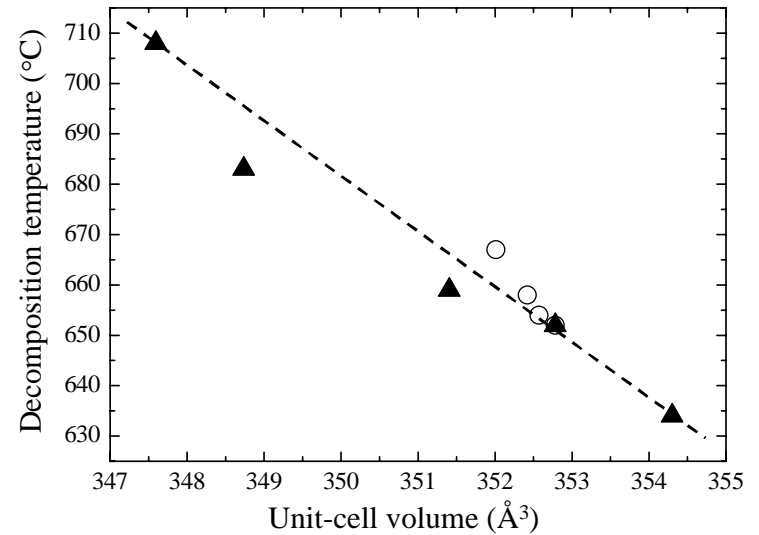
(= Chemical Pressure on $\text{YBaCo}_4\text{O}_{7+\delta}$)



A^{II} ionic radius decreases \rightarrow decomp. temp. increases but OSC decreases



R^{III} ionic radius decreases \rightarrow decomp. temp increases but OSC decreases

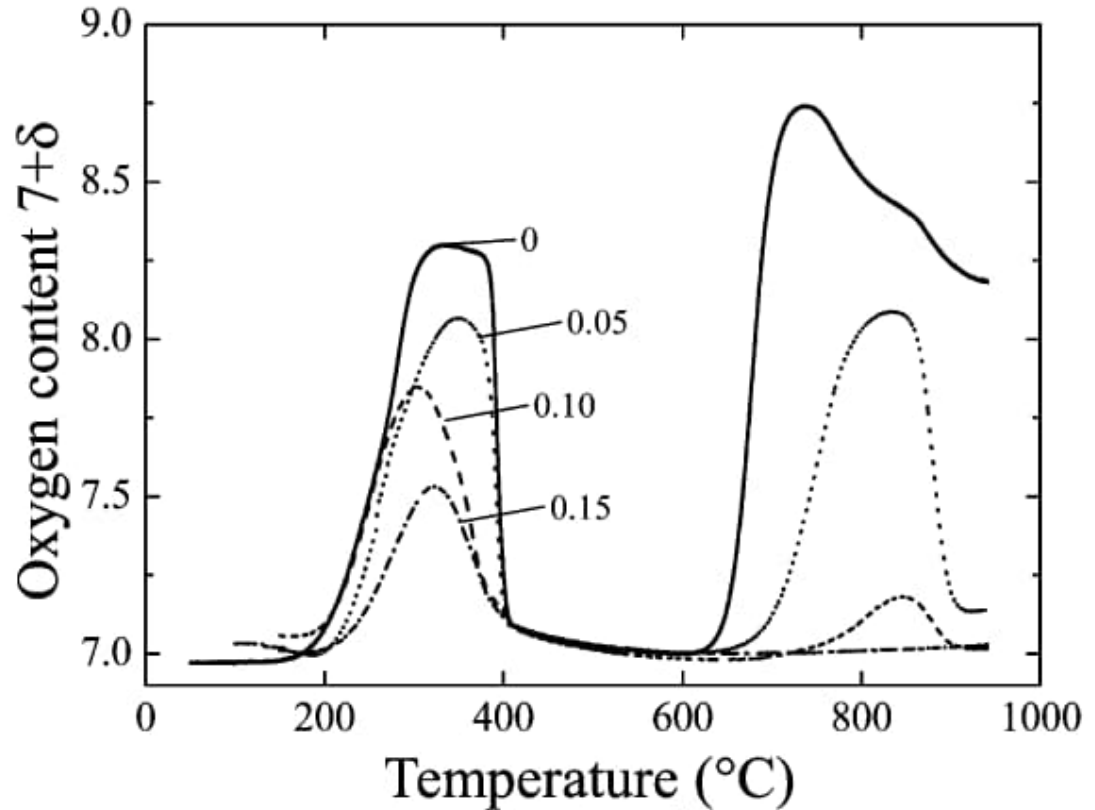


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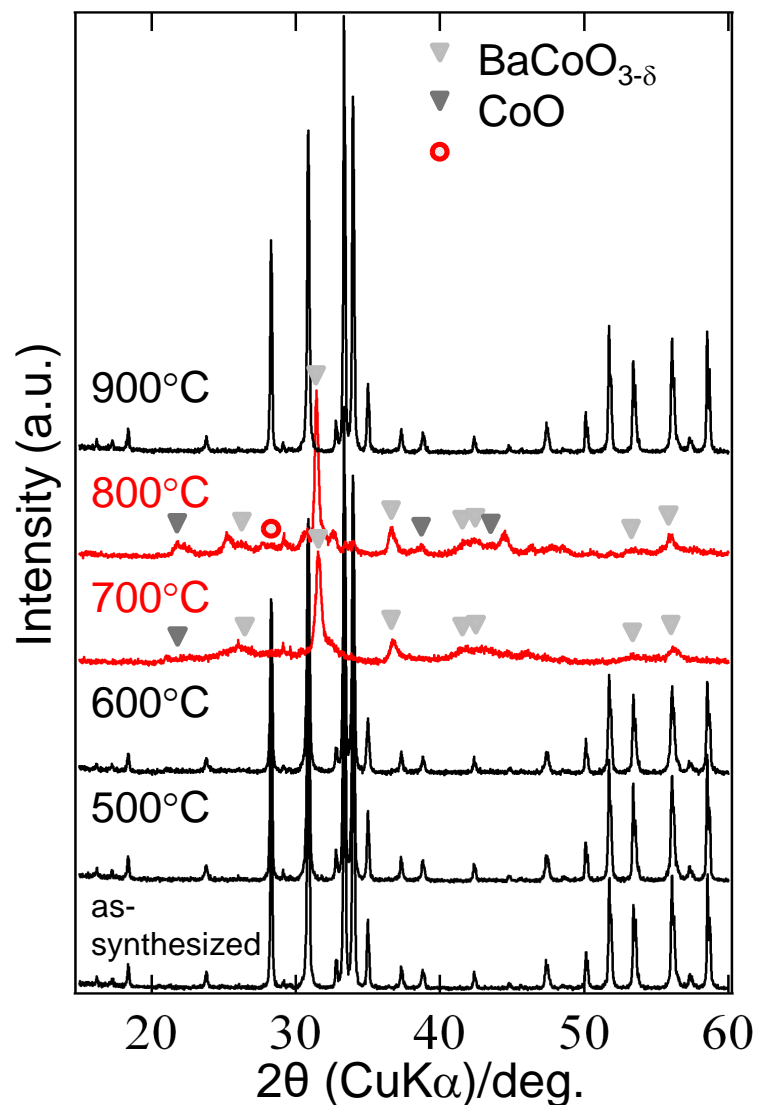
Al-substitution: $x < 0.10$

Ga-substitution: $x < 0.25$

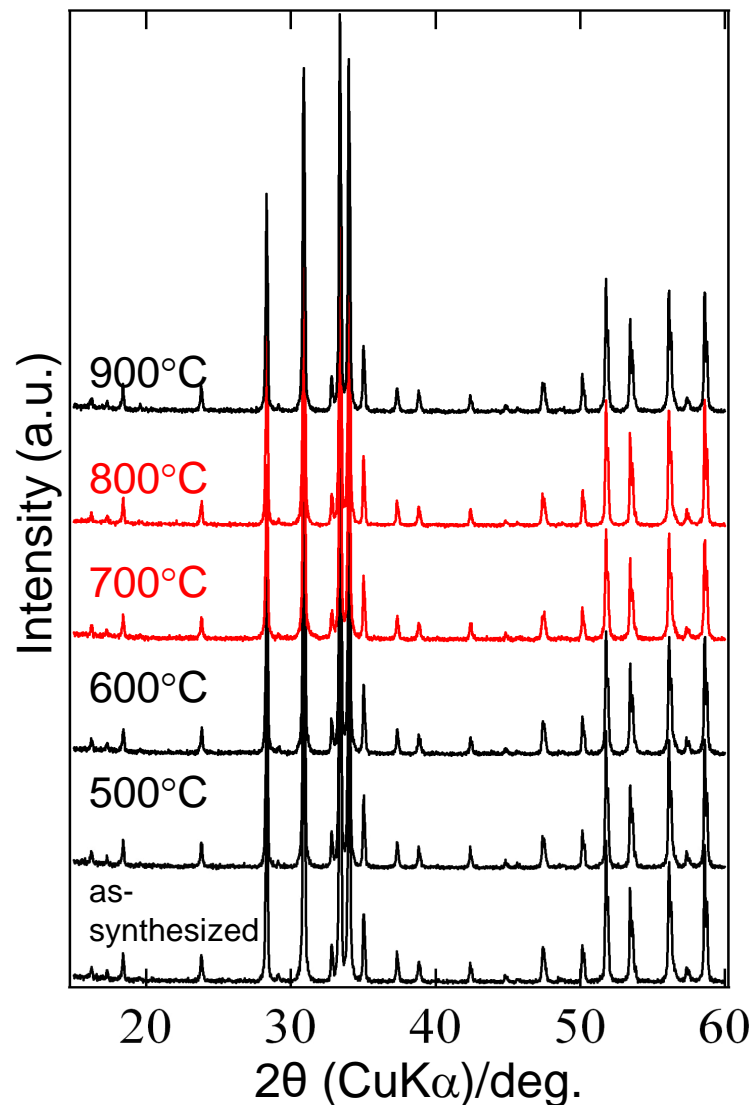


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x = 0



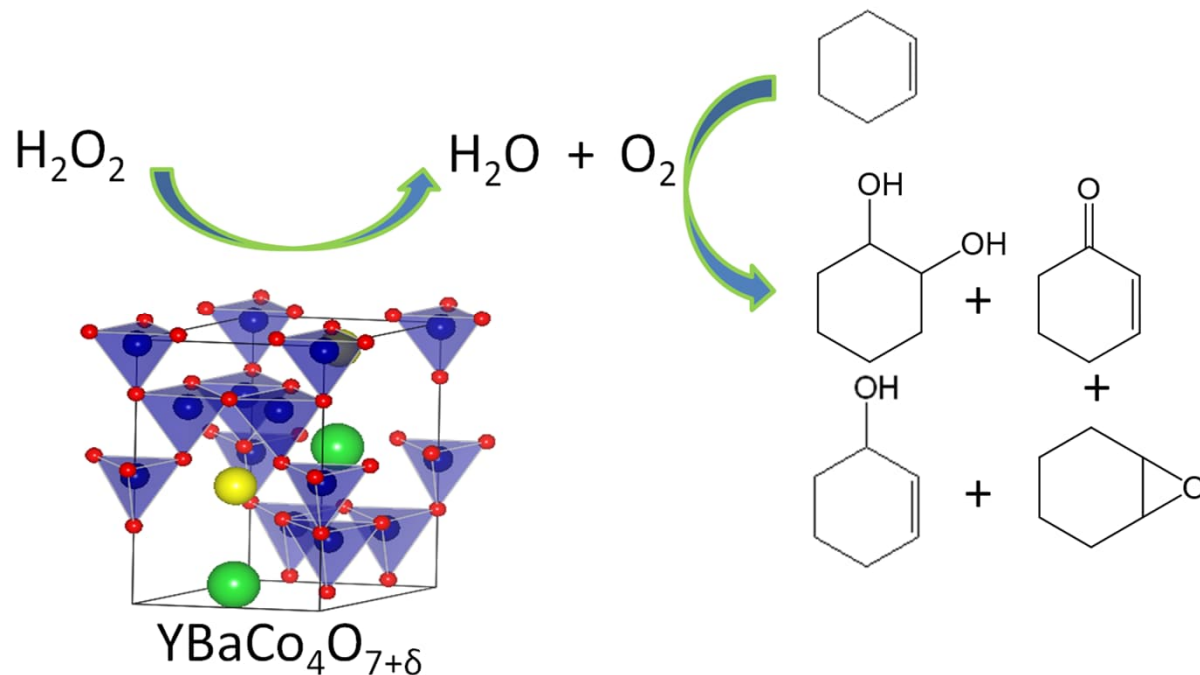
x = 0.15



YBaCo₄O_{7+δ} has been investigated for example for:

- H₂/O₂ separation after photocatalytic water splitting (Mitsubishi Chemical Corp.)
- sorbent material for oxygen-enriched CO₂ stream production
- oxygen-separating membrane material
- cathode material for solid oxide fuel cell
- catalyst in epoxidation reaction requiring active oxygen species

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ADDITIONAL REMARK

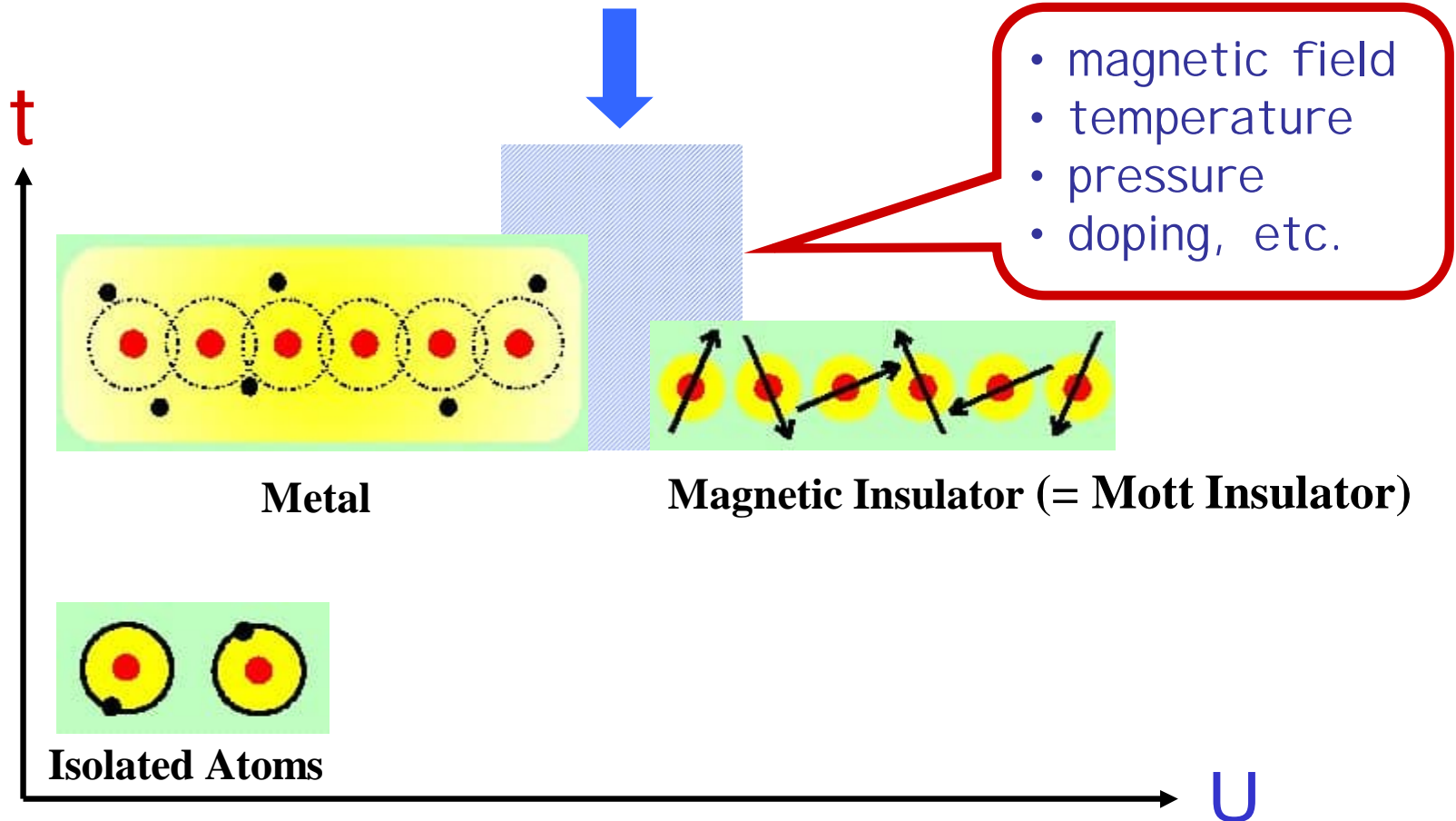
STRONGLY-CORRELATED-ELECTRON MATERIALS

- Common terminology in condensed matter physics !
- “Electron correlation” \approx “Repulsion between (outer) electrons”
- Strongly-correlated-electron materials have partially-filled d or f orbitals with narrow bands
- Once the electron correlations are strong, each single electron has a complex influence on its neighbours and ordinary electronic band structure calculation becomes challenging
- Strongly-correlated-electron materials show unusual but extremely interesting/useful electronic and magnetic properties
- These “extraordinary properties” can be triggered through small stimuli, like temperature, pressure, magnetic field, or CHEMICAL SUBSTITUTION
- Many transition metal oxides are strongly-correlated-electron materials: high- T_c superconductors, magnetic and halfmetallic magnetoresistive oxides, thermoelectrics, Mott insulators, heavy-fermion materials, *etc.*

Strongly-Correlated Finns



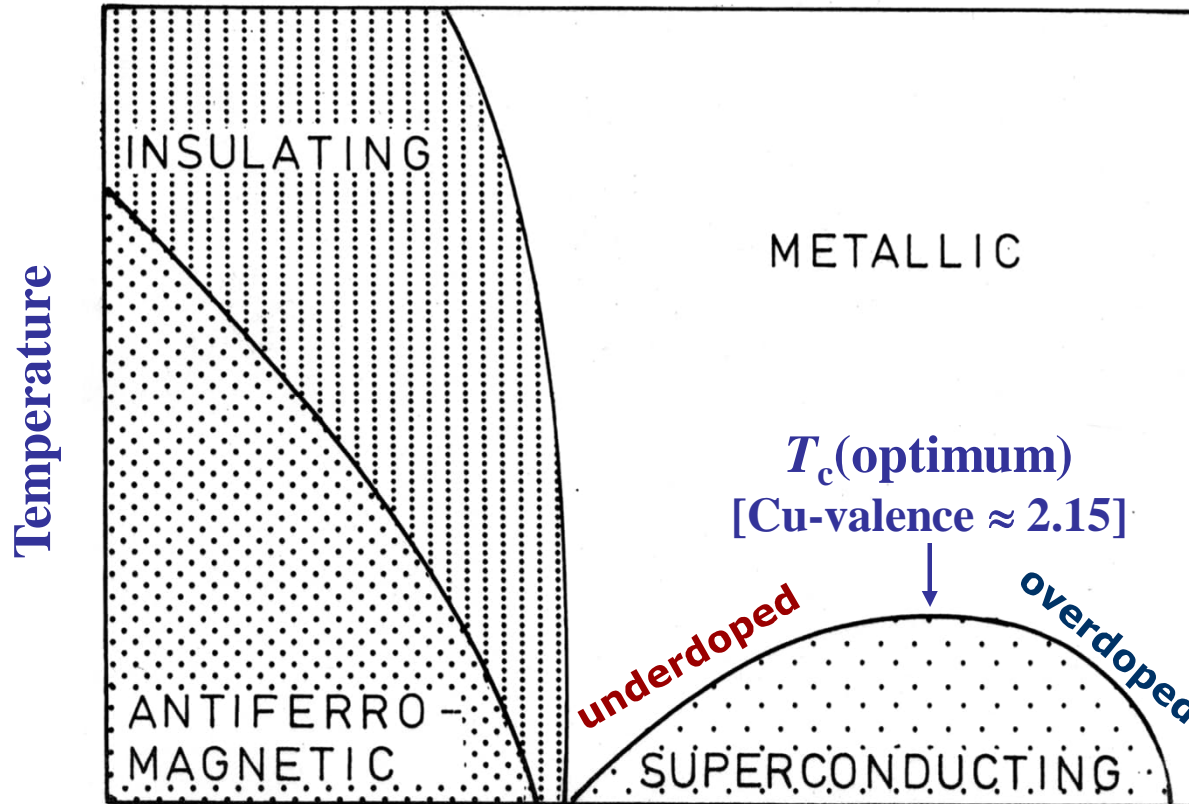
Strongly-Correlated-Electron Materials



t : Overlap of wave functions (= orbitals)

U : Strength of electron repulsion (= correlation)

Phase Diagram of HTSC



CuO₂-plane hole concentration
(valence of copper)

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