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Treatment of disorder effects in X-ray absorption spectra by reverse Monte Carlo simulations: CuMoO_4 case

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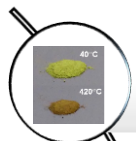
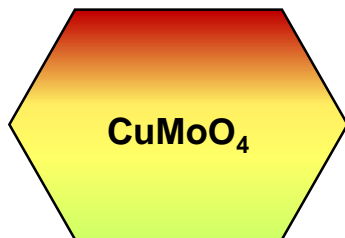
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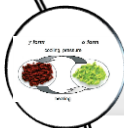


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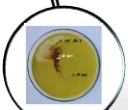
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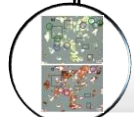
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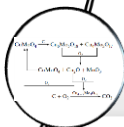
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K. S. Makarevich, et al., *Inorg. Mater.* 46 (2010) 1359-1364;



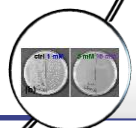
Thermosalient effect

L. Robertson, et al., *J. of Materials Chem. C* 3 (2015) 2918-2924;



Catalytic

T.K. Ghorai et al., *Mater. Res. Bull.* 43 (2008) 1770;
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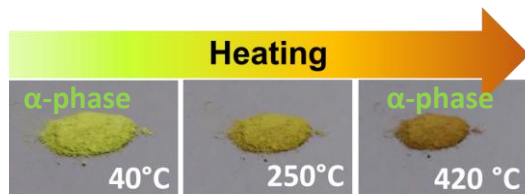
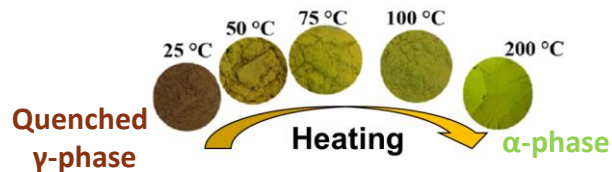
Antibacterial

D. Tanasic, et al., *Biointerphases* 12 (2017) 05G607.



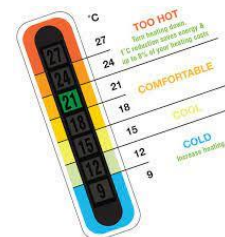
MOTIVATION II

Thermochromic properties

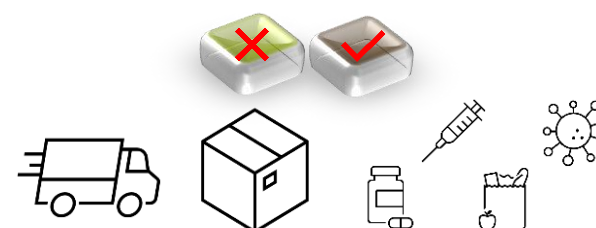


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Applications



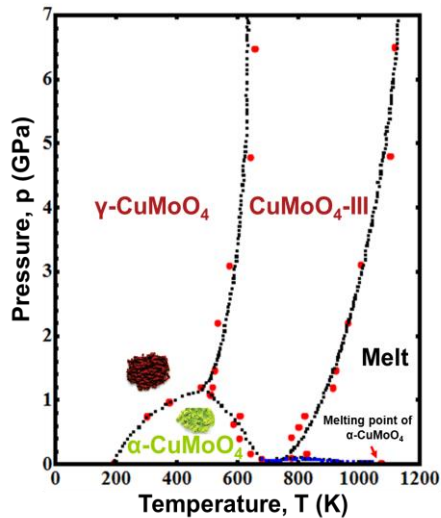
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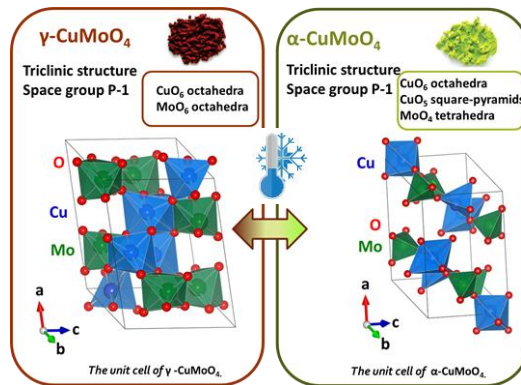
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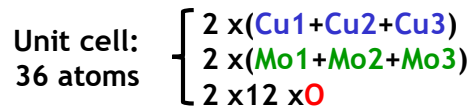
At low temperatures



M. Wiesmann, et al., J. Solid State Chem. 132 (1997) 88.



$$\Delta V \approx 12 - 13\%$$



Hysteresis

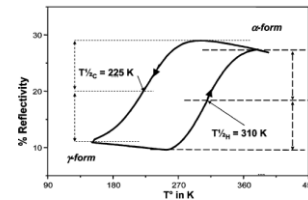
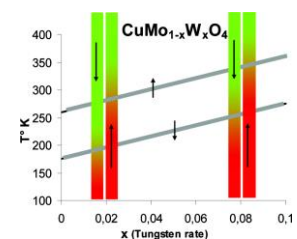
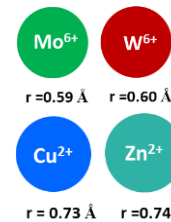


Figure 6. Evolution of the integrated reflectivity percentage in the green zone (500–550 nm) of CuMo_{0.7}W_{0.3}O₄ compound with temperature.

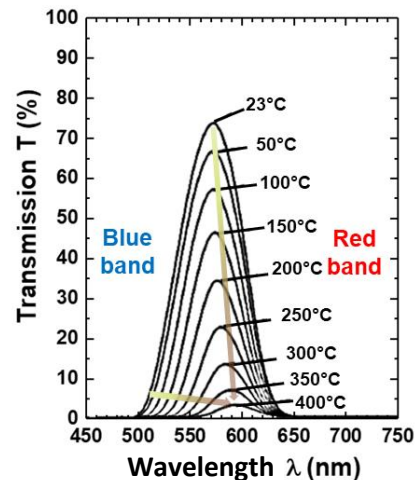
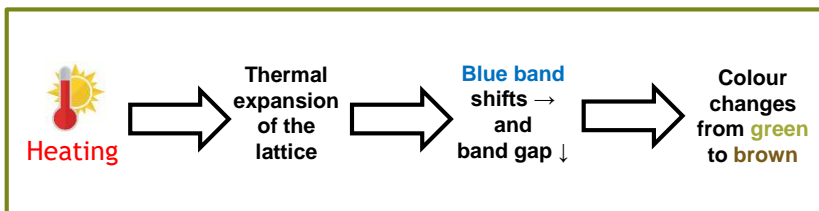
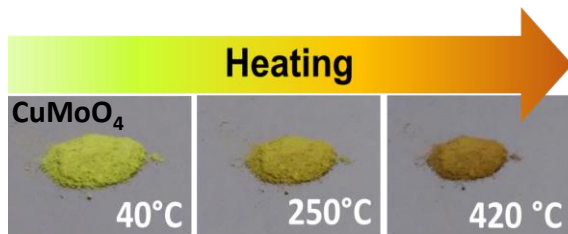


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 X. Wu, et al., Mater. Res. Express 7 (2020) 016309.

CuMoO₄



At high temperatures



Blue band

O²⁻ → Cu²⁺

O²⁻ → Mo⁶⁺

Cu²⁺ → Mo⁶⁺

charge transfer processes

Red band

Cu²⁺ d-d transitions

Cu²⁺ 3d⁹ → 4p

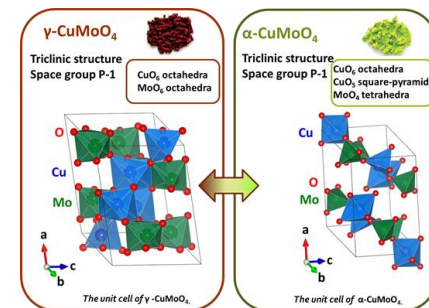
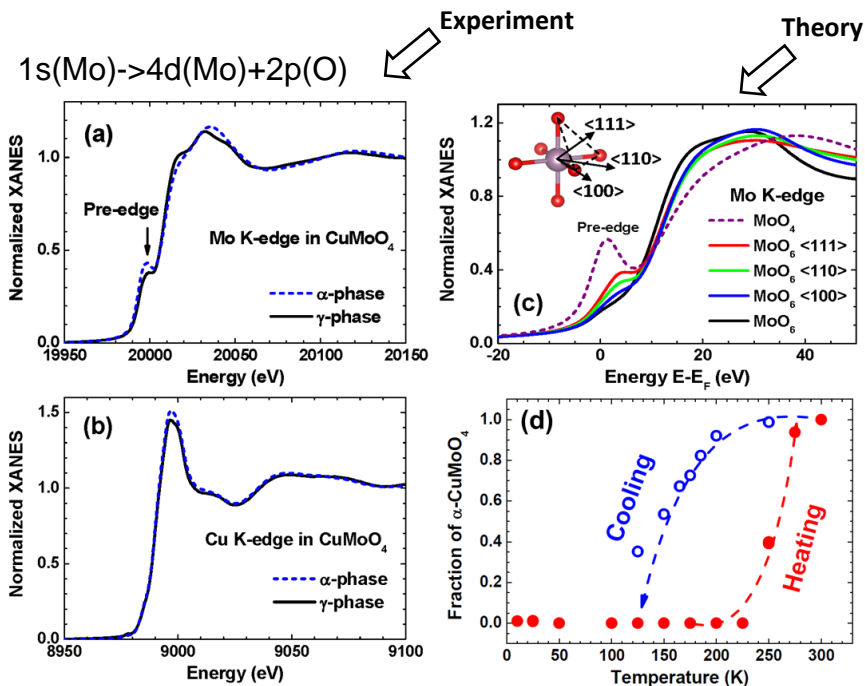
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CuMoO₄ AT LOW TEMPERATURES - XANES



PETRA III beamline P65



CuMoO ₄	Phase transition T
$\alpha \rightarrow \gamma$	200-120K
$\gamma \rightarrow \alpha$	230-280K

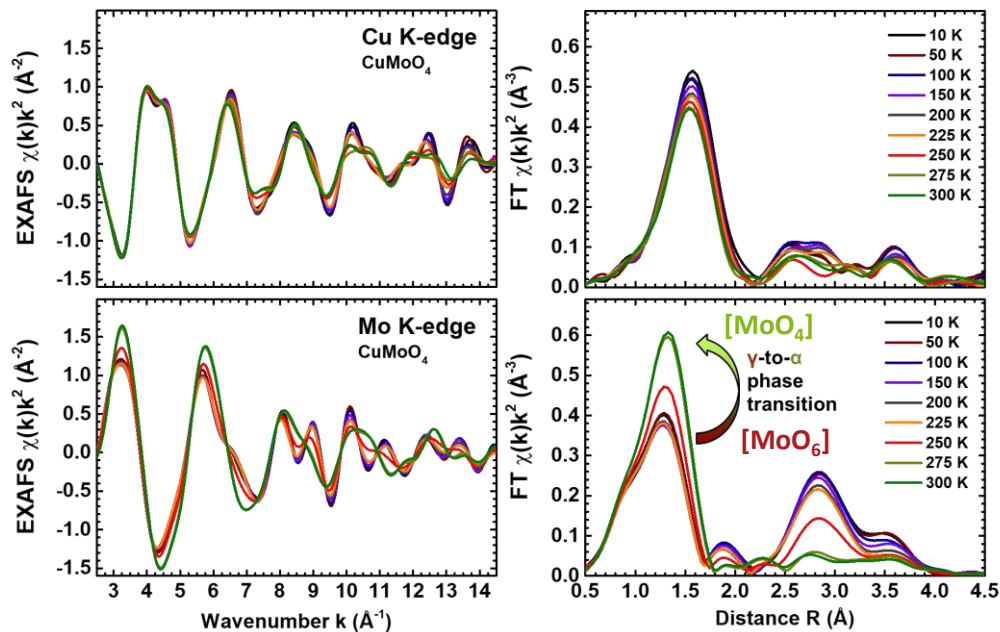
I. Jonane, A. Cintins, A. Kalinko, R. Chernikov, A. Kuzmin, *Low Temp. Phys.* 44 (2018) 568-572.

Linear combination analysis of Mo K-edge XANES allows one to reconstruct the hysteresis curve that describes the phase transition.



CuMoO₄ AT LOW TEMPERATURES - EXAFS

Experiment

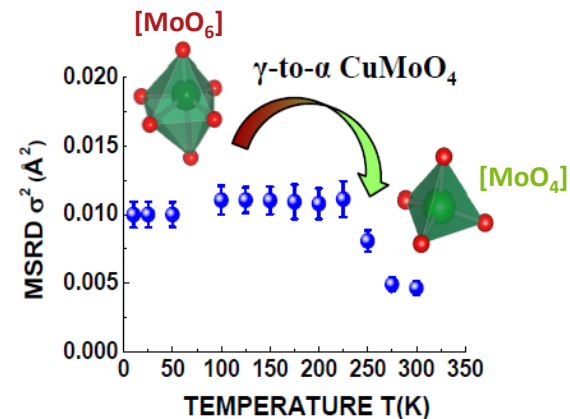
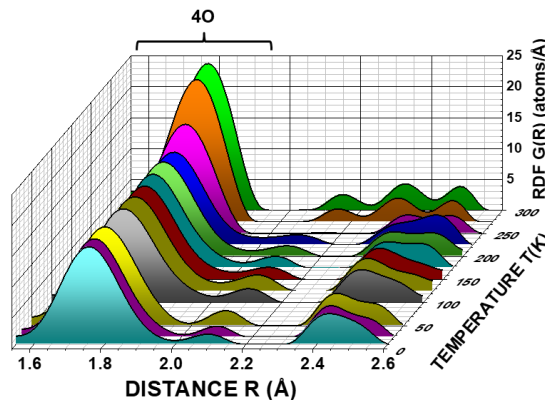
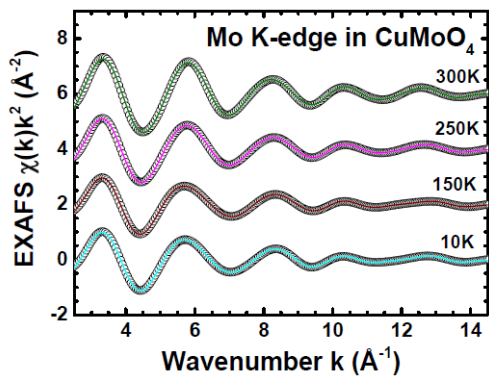


Experimental EXAFS spectra show significant differences between α and γ phases.



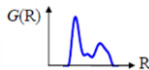
EXAFS DATA ANALYSIS

using regularization-based technique



MSRD = mean-square relative displacement
 $\sigma^2 = \sigma_{static}^2 + \sigma_{thermal}^2$

Regularization based technique (EDARDF code)



$$\chi_n(k) = S_0^2 \int_0^{+\infty} g_i(R) \frac{|f_i(k, R_i)|}{kR_i^2} e^{-\frac{2R_i}{\lambda(k)}} \sin(2kR_i + 2\delta(k) + \phi_i(k, R_i)) dR$$

Regularization method: Yu.A. Babanov et al., Phys. Stat. Solidi (B) 105 (1981) 747.
 EDARDF: A. Kuzmin, Physica B:Condensed Matter 208 (1995) 175-176.

$\gamma \rightarrow \alpha$ phase transition occurs gradually, the molybdenum coordination by oxygen atoms changes from strongly distorted octahedral to less distorted tetrahedral.

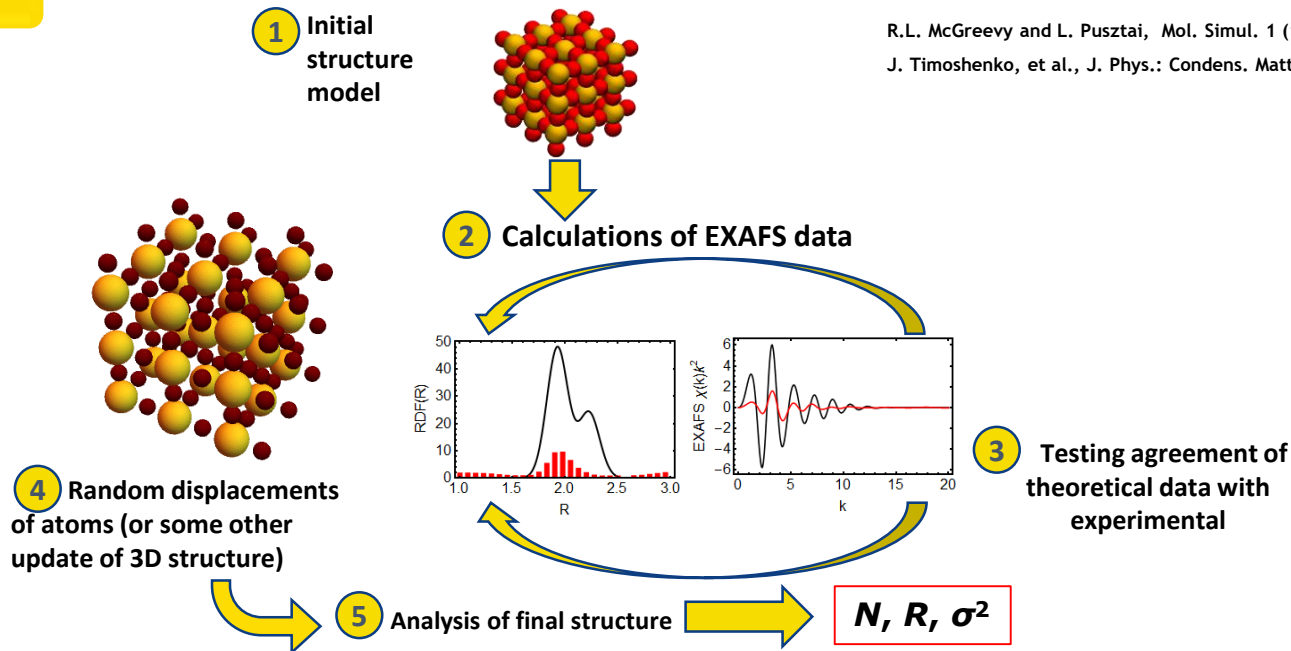
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EXAFS DATA ANALYSIS

Reverse Monte Carlo modelling with evolutionary algorithm approach

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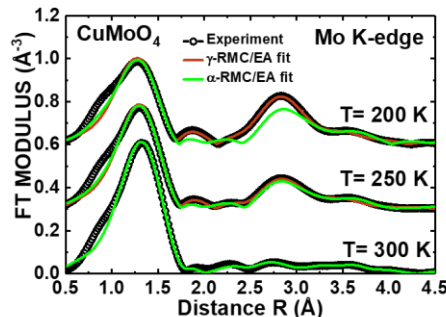
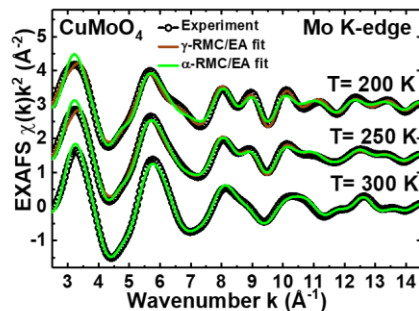
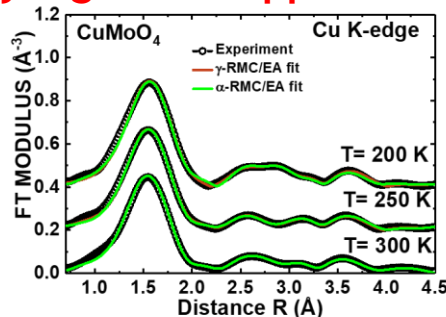
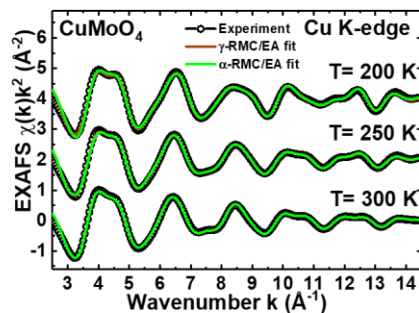


R.L. McGreevy and L. Pusztai, Mol. Simul. 1 (1988) 359-367.
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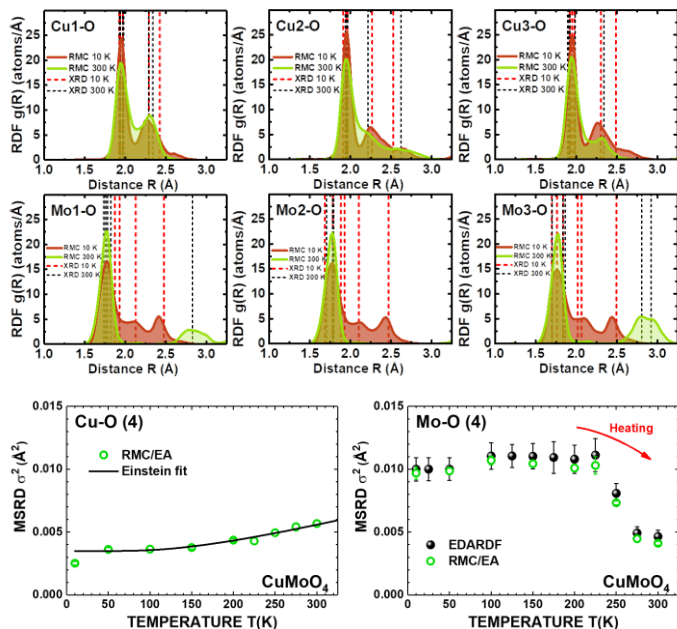


At T=250 K, two phases coexist.

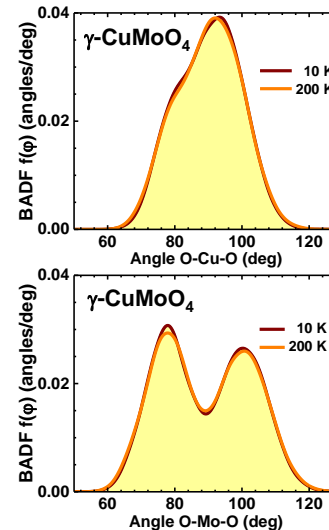


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Information about the local environment around selected atoms.



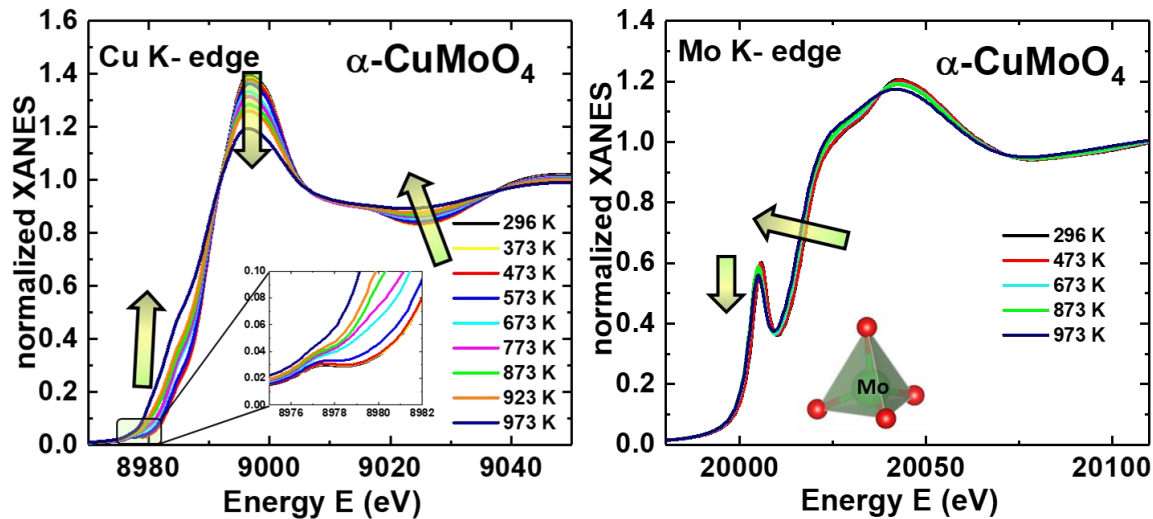
Different types of distortions of metal-oxygen octahedra reflected by BADFs.

RMC/EA modelling allows one to follow the variation of local environment in low-symmetry structures as CuMoO₄ on temperature.

I. Jonane, A. Cintins, A. Kalinko, R. Chernikov, A. Kuzmin, *Rad. Phys. Chem.* 175 (2020) 108112;



CuMoO₄ AT HIGH TEMPERATURES-XANES



Rare temperature dependence of XANES region at the Cu K-edge is observed.



$$\chi_n(k) = S_0^2 \sum_i \frac{N_i |f_i(k, R_i)|}{k R_i^2} \sin(2kR_i + 2\delta(k) + \phi_i(k, R_i)) e^{\frac{-2R_i}{\lambda(k)}} e^{-2R_i k^2 \sigma_i^2}$$

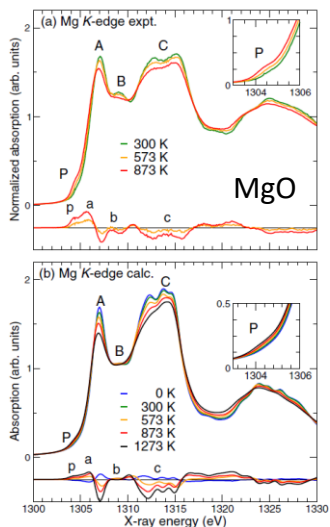
$$k \rightarrow 0; e^{-2R_i k^2 \sigma_i^2} \rightarrow 1$$

I. Jonane, A. Anspoks, G. Aquilanti, A. Kuzmin, *Acta Mater.* 179 (2019) 26-35.



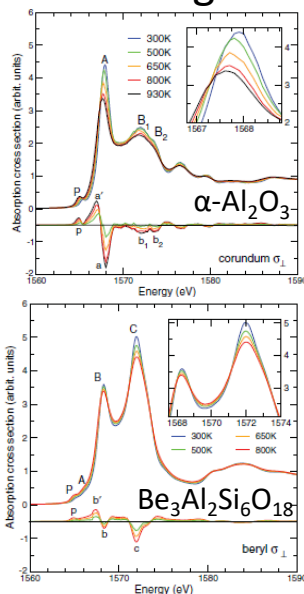
Temperature effect on XANES - examples

Mg K-edge



R. Nemausat et al. "Phonon effects on x-ray absorption and nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopies" *Physical Review B* 92 (2015): 144310.

Al K-edge



D. Manuel, et al. "Experimental evidence of thermal fluctuations on the X-ray absorption near-edge structure at the aluminum K edge." *Physical Review B* 85 (2012) 224108.

Ti K-edge

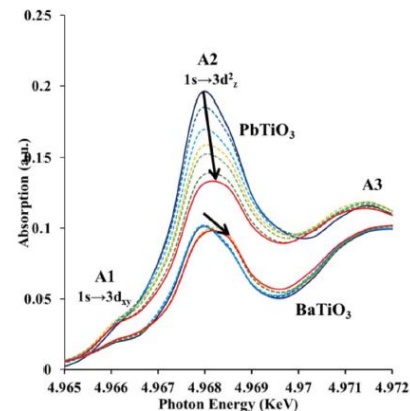
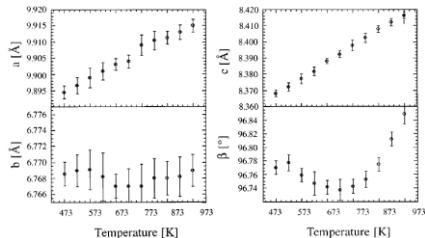
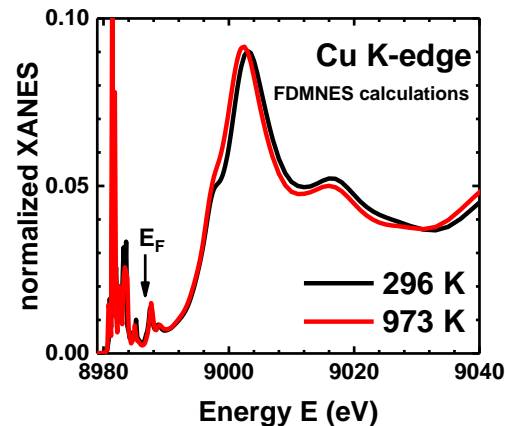
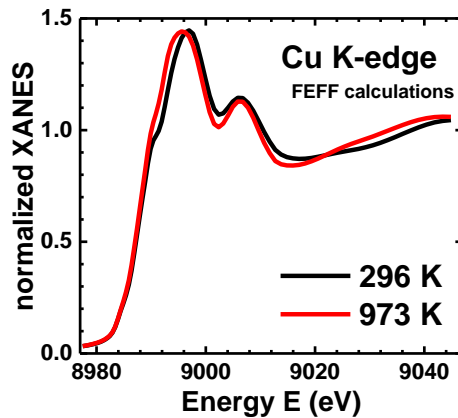
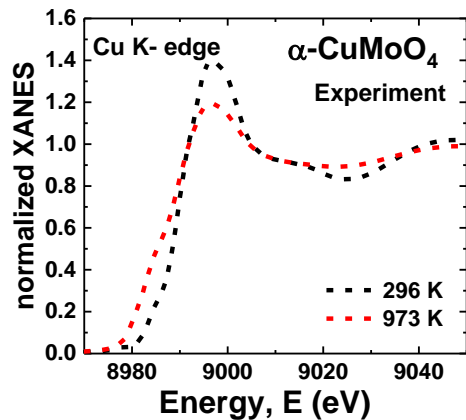


Figure 2. Temperature variation (BaTiO₃ 300–400 K and PbTiO₃ 500–800 K) of the pre-edge peaks in the Ti K-edge XANES spectra of tetragonal perovskite-type BaTiO₃ and PbTiO₃.

A. Yoshiasa, et al. "Determination of Ferro- and Antiferroelectricity Using the Temperature Dependence of the Pre-Edge Features in the XANES Spectra: XANES Study of Tetragonal and Cubic ATiO₃ (A = Sr, Ba, and Pb) and PbZrO₃" *Phys. Status Solidi B* 255 (2018) 1800050.



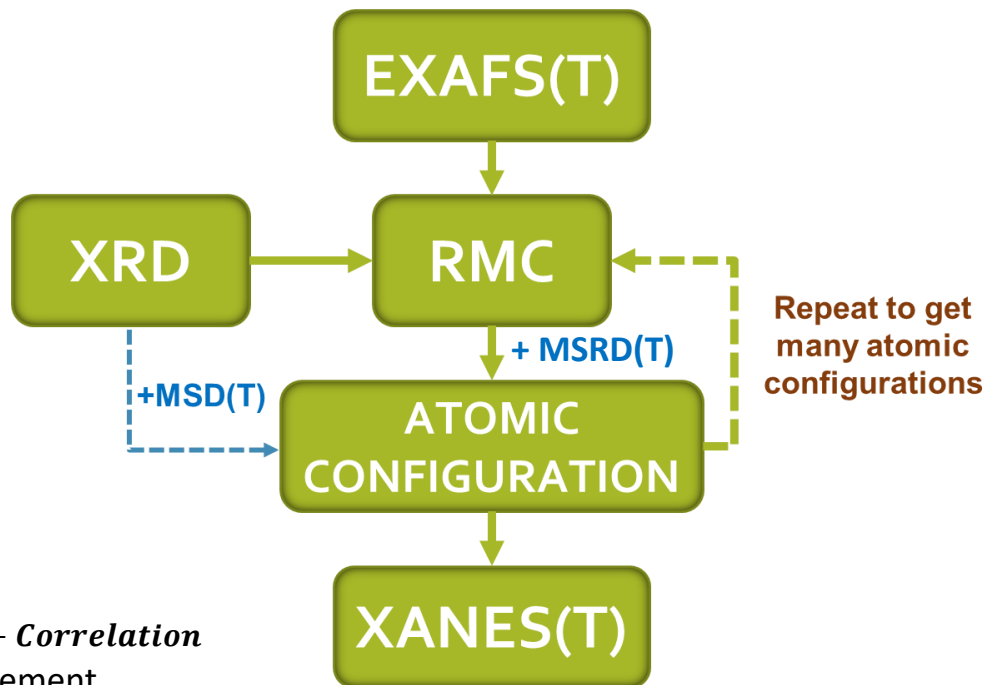
THEORETICAL XANES CALCULATIONS



The use of equilibrium atomic positions obtained from XRD does not allow one to obtain good agreement between the experimental and calculated XANES even when temperature dependence of the unit cell parameters is considered.

M. Wiesmann, et al., J. Solid State Chem. 132 (1997) 88-97.

HOW TO ACCOUNT FOR TEMPERATURE IN XANES?



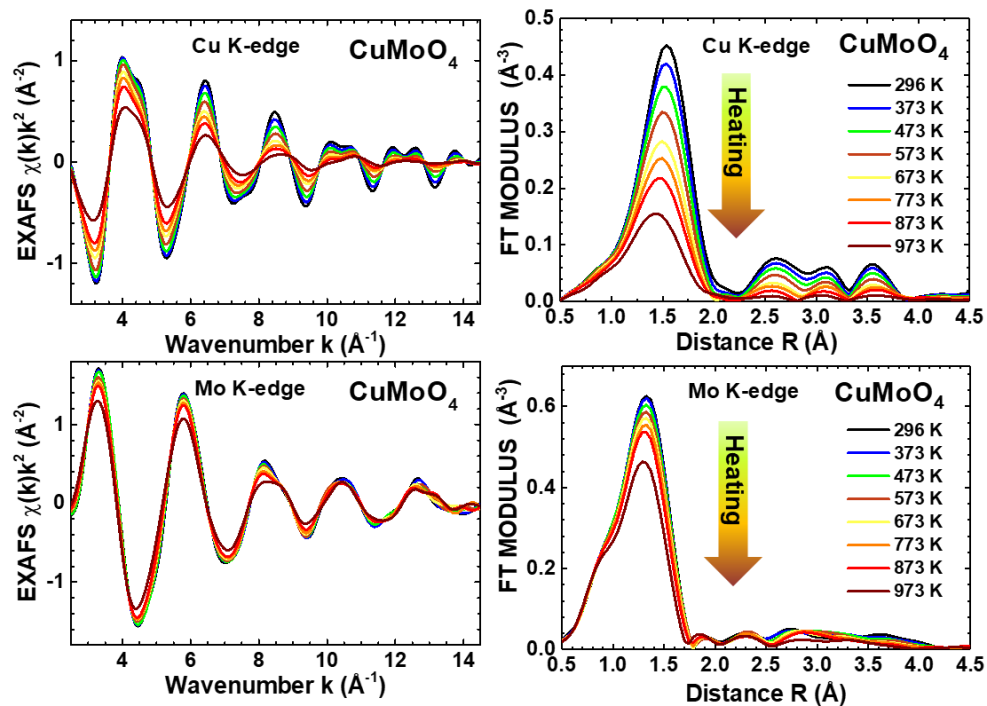
$$MSRD_{AB} = MSD_A + MSD_B - \text{Correlation}$$

MSD - mean-square displacement

MSRD - mean-square relative displacement



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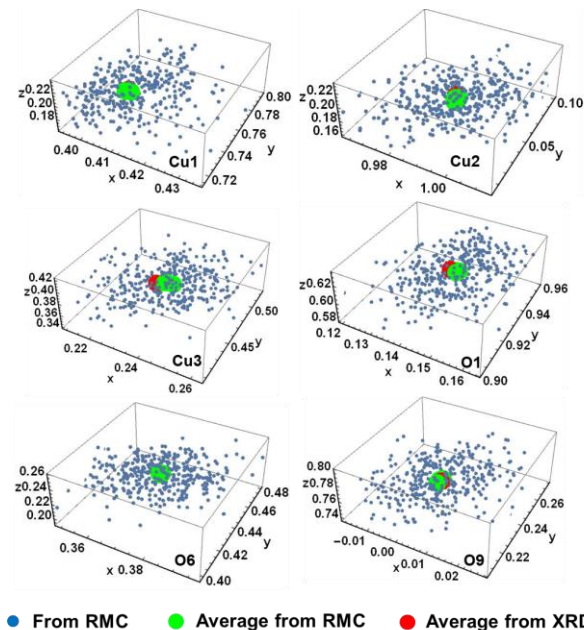
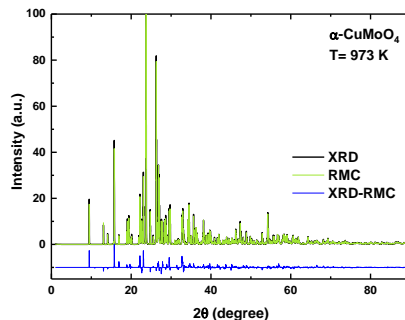
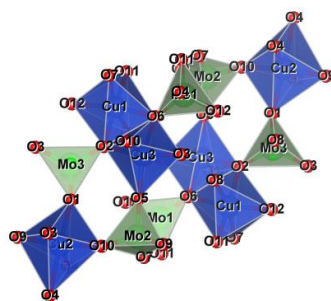
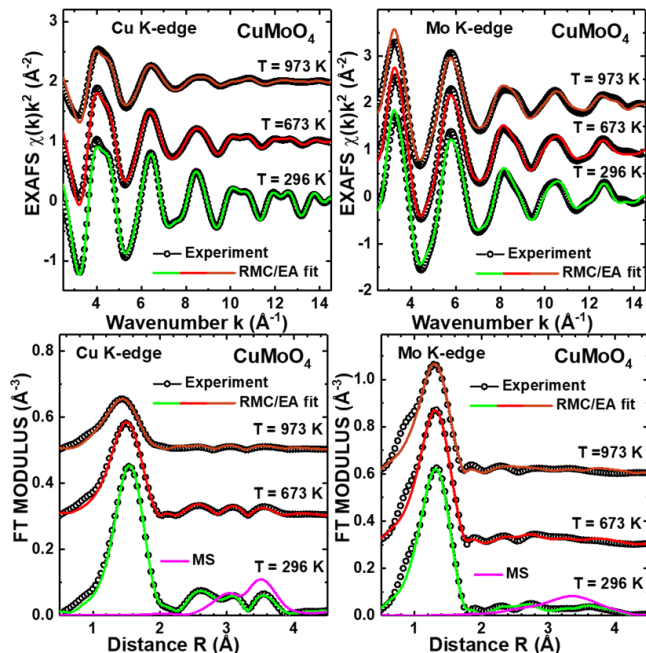


Always [MoO₄]!



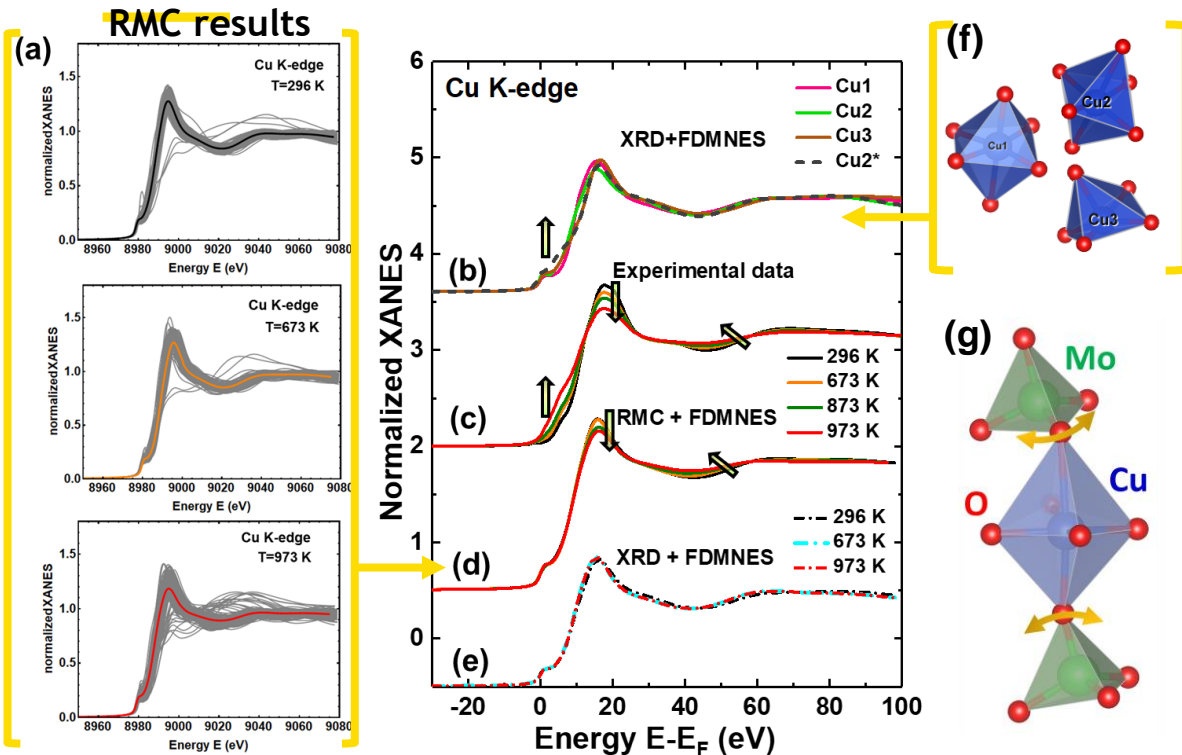
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Average Wyckoff positions calculated for RMC structure models are close to those of XRD.

CuMoO₄ AT HIGH TEMPERATURES-XANES RESULTS



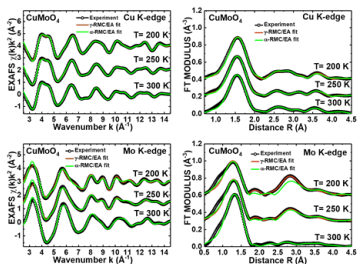
The simulated XANES spectra are in good agreement with the experiment and reproduce the main temperature dependence of XANES features.

The reduction of correlation in atomic motion between Cu and axial O atoms occurs upon temperature increase.

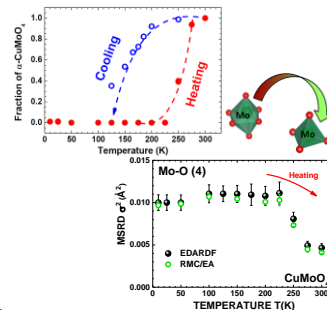
This dynamic effect is proposed to be the main cause for the temperature-induced changes in the O²⁻ → Cu²⁺ charge transfer processes.



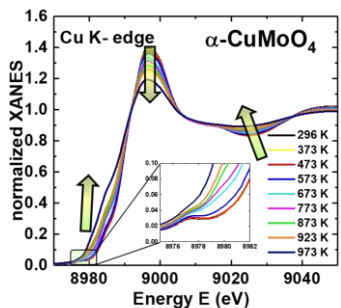
SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS



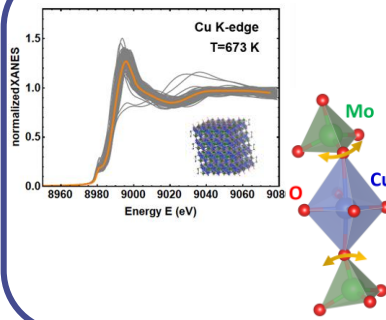
Data analysis of EXAFS spectra at the Cu and Mo K-edges simultaneously by RMC method, allows one to follow the temperature variation of the local environment in low symmetry materials as CuMoO_4 .



At low temperatures, $\gamma \rightarrow \alpha$ phase transition occurs gradually, the molybdenum coordination by oxygen atoms changes from strongly distorted octahedral to less distorted tetrahedral.



At high temperatures, experimental Cu K-edge X-ray absorption spectra show well pronounced temperature effect.



Structural models obtained by RMC were used to simulate the Cu K-edge XANES spectra to account for temperature effects. The reduction of correlation in atomic motion between Cu and axial O atoms occurs upon temperature increase.

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