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Characterization of the Interchain SemSe Interaction in (TMTSF)₂X by Band Electronic Structure

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Crystal structures of (TMTSF)₂X salts exhibit a systematic decrease in the interchain Se-Se separations upon decreasing the unit cell volume or upon lowering temperature.² Such structural changes hold important information concerning how the interchain Se-Se separation is related to the magnitude of the interchain Se-Se interactions. To explore this relationship, we examined the electronic structures of $(TMTSF)_2X$ (X⁻ = AsF₆⁻, BF₄⁻, BrO₄⁻, ClO_4^- , FSO_3^- , $H_2F_3^-$, PF_6^- , and ReO_4^-) by performing the tight-binding band calculations based upon the extended Hückel method.³ Our calculations on all (TMTSF)₂X compounds employed their crystal structures determined at 298 K and at 120-125 K.^{2,4} Actual band-structure calculations for each (TMTSF)₂X salt were carried out on a two-dimensional sheet of TSF molecules,⁵ as reported elsewhere.^{6,7}

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Figure 1. Band structure of a two-dimensional sheet of TSF molecules. The symbols Γ , X, Y, and V refer to the points in the Brillouin zone, whose coordinates are expressed in fractions of the reciprocal vectors a^* and b^* as follows: $\Gamma = (0.0, 0.0), X = (0.5, 0.0), Y = (0.0, 0.5), and V$ = (0.5, 0.5). The Fermi level is indicated by the dashed line.



Figure 2. Schematic representations of the HOMO of a TSF molecule. The Se 4p and C 2p orbitals are projected onto the molecular plane in a. The side view of the HOMO is given in b, where only the Se 4p orbitals are shown for simplicity.

The valence band (i.e., the highest occupied band) of every (TMTSF)₂X has the characteristic feature shown in Figure 1 for (TMTSF)₂PF₆ at 125 K. That is, the valence band consists of two overlapping bands.⁶ With the formal oxidation of (TMTSF)₂⁺ per unit cell, the valence band is one-quarter-empty because of the half-empty upper band and the completely filled lower band. The HOMO of each TSF molecule has large coefficients on Se 4p orbitals, as schematically shown in Figure 2. Two such HOMO's in each unit cell of $(TMTSF)_2X$ interact to form the in-phase and the out-of-phase combinations (ψ_+ and ψ_- , respec-



tively). It is these orbitals ψ_+ and ψ_- that lead to the lower and the upper bands of Figure 1, respectively. The valence band of (TMTSF)₂X may be characterized by three calculated parameters, i.e., the combined width W_a of the two overlapping bands along the chain direction $(\Gamma \rightarrow X)$, the width W_b of the upper band along the interchain direction $(\Gamma \rightarrow Y)$, and the width $W_{b'}$ of the lower band along the interchain direction.

The magnitude of interaction between neighboring unit cells in a certain direction is proportional to the width of the resulting band in that direction. Therefore, both W_b and W_b' are associated

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Figure 3. Calculated bandwidths $W_{\rm h}$ and $W_{\rm h}$ of (TMTSF)₂X along the interchain direction plotted as a function of the experimental interchain SemSe separation, $d_{av} = (d_9 + 2d_7)/3$: (a) W_b' vs. d_{av} , and (b) W_b vs. d_{av} , where the values of W_{b}' and W_{b} are given in meV and the value of d_{av} is in Å. The empty and filled circles refer to the data for the 298 K and the 120-125 K structures, respectively. The numbers 1-8 represent the anions X⁻ of $(TMTSF)_2X$ as follows: $1 = A_sF_6^-$, $2 = BF_4^-$, 3 = BrO_4^- , 4 = ClO_4^- , 5 = FSO_3^- , 6 = $H_2F_3^-$, 7 = PF_6 , and 8 = ReO_4^-

with the magnitude of the interchain Se...Se interaction. The structural parameters relevant for describing the interchain Se-Se interactions are the two shortest interchain Se...Se separations d_9 and d_7 (see Figure 1 of ref 2). Between neighboring chains of TMTSF molecules, there occur one d_9 and two d_7 Se...Se contacts per TMTSF molecule. Since the Se 4p orbitals in the HOMO of each TMTSF have the same sign, all the Se 4p orbitals associated with the d_9 and d_7 Se...Se contacts can be chosen to have the same sign. Consequently, the weighted average of the interchain Se…Se separations $d_{av} = (d_9 + 2d_7)/3$ is a good experimental parameter to correlate with the calculated W_{b}' and $W_{\rm b}$ values. The plot of $W_{\rm b}'$ vs. $d_{\rm av}$ and that of $W_{\rm b}$ vs. $d_{\rm av}$ are respectively shown in Figure 3, which reveals that the lower band becomes wider but the upper band becomes narrower upon decreasing the interchain Se...Se separation.¹² Thus the magnitude of the interchain Se...Se interaction increases with the decrease in the interchain Se...Se separation according to the lower band, while the opposite is the case according to the upper band.

Figure 3 shows that, regardless of the temperature change, the data points for $X^- = BF_4^-$, ClO_4^- , and FSO_3^- are clearly separated out from those for $X^- = AsF_6^-$ and PF_6^- . Such a feature is also obtained when the unit cell volumes of (TMTSF)₂X are plotted against the d_{av} values.² Along the interchain direction, the upper (lower) bands of the BF_4^- , ClO_4^- , and FSO_3^- derivatives are narrower (wider) than the corresponding ones of the AsF_6^- and PF_6^- derivatives. Thus for the BF_4^- , ClO_4^- and FSO_3^- derivatives, it is expected that the density of states at the Fermi level is greater, the two sheets of the Fermi surface (see Figure 2a of ref 6) are less curved, but the overall interchain Se-Se interaction is stronger.¹³ A high transition temperature T_c for superconductivity is likely to occur from a nearly half-filled narrow band.¹⁴ However, such a band is also susceptible to electron localization.¹⁵ The competition between superconductivity and electron localization is quite delicate. For example, (TMTSF)₂PF₆ undergoes a spin density wave (SDW) transition near 12 K at ambient pressure,¹⁶ while an applied pressure of about 12 kbar suppresses this SDW transition and gives rise to superconductivity.¹⁷ Thus it appears that under applied pressure the interchain Se-Se separations of (TMTSF)₂PF₆ become shortened and close to those of (TMTSF)₂ClO₄, a superconductor below 1.2 K at ambient pressure.4b

In summary, characterization of the interchain Se-Se interaction in (TMTSF)₂X requires at least two parameters, e.g., the interchain bandwidths of the two overlapping bands that arise from the two TMTSF HOMO's of each unit cell. The magnitudes of the interchain SemSe interaction predicted from the widths of those two bands exhibit the opposite trends with respect to the change in the interchain Se...Se separations. This kind of complex behavior of the interchain Se-Se interaction might be responsible for the wealth of physical phenomena observed in $(TMTSF)_2X$.¹⁸

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Bacteriorhodopsins Containing Cyanine Dye Chromophores. Support for the External Point-Charge Model

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Bacteriorhodopsin¹ (bR, MW \sim 27000), the protein pigment of the purple membrane of Halobacterium halobium, functions as a light-driven proton pump.² Its single polypeptide chain,^{3,4} which constitutes seven α -helical rods perpendicular to the membrane plane,⁵ is bound through lysine-216⁶⁻⁸ to trans-retinal

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