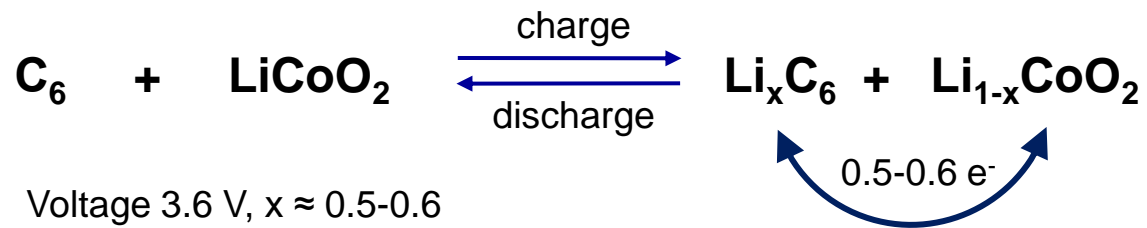
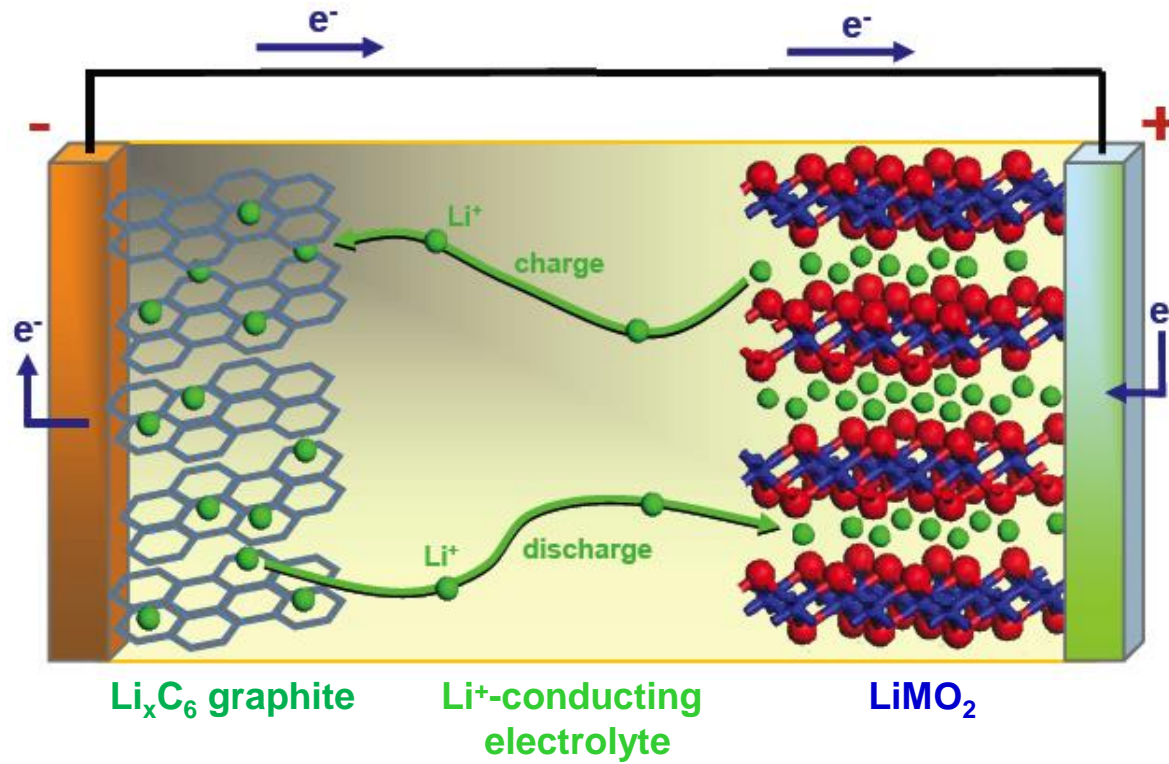

Химия твердого тела в электрохимической энергетике: катодные материалы литий-ионных аккумуляторов

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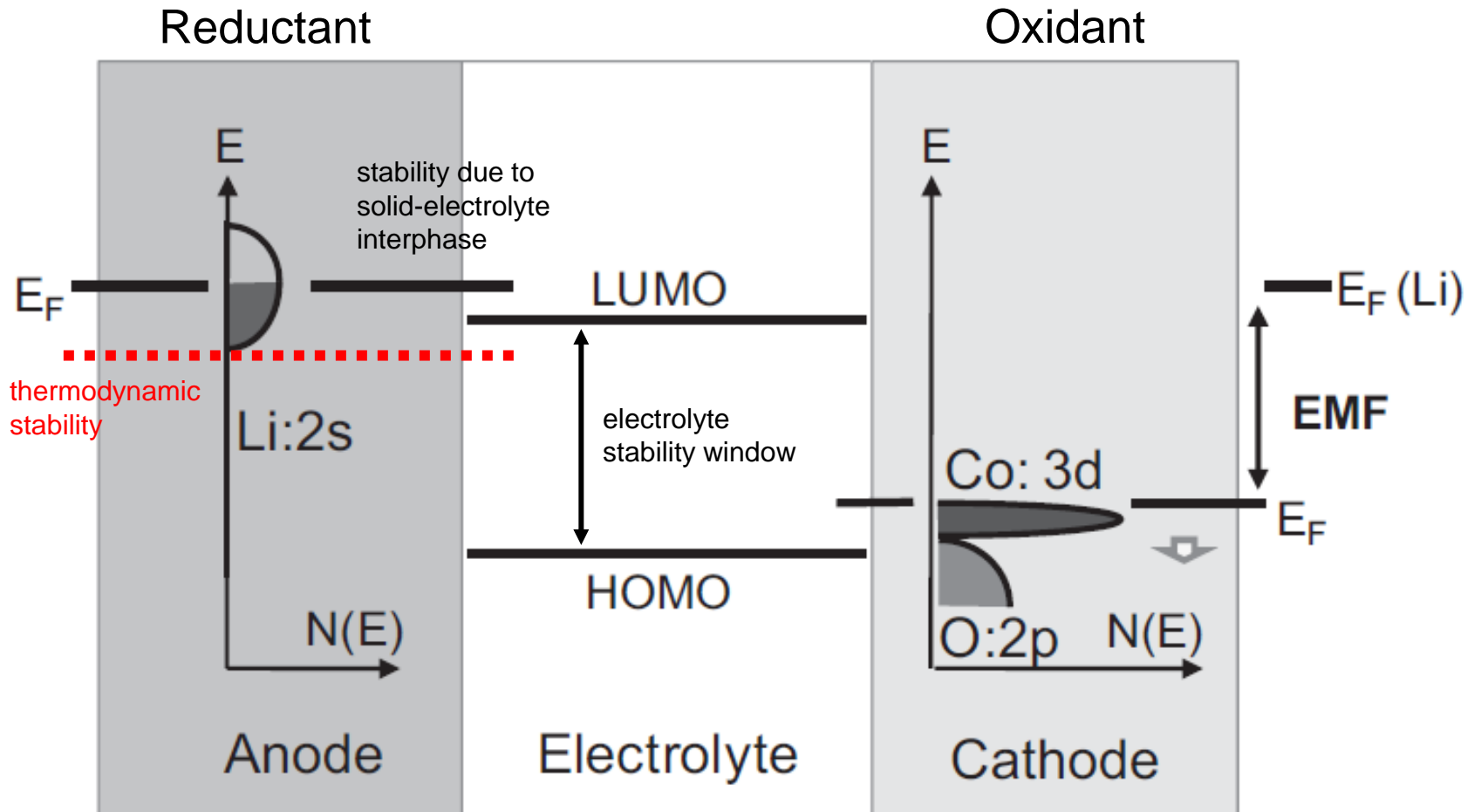
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Li-ion batteries



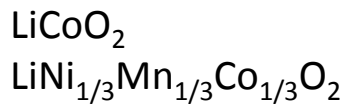
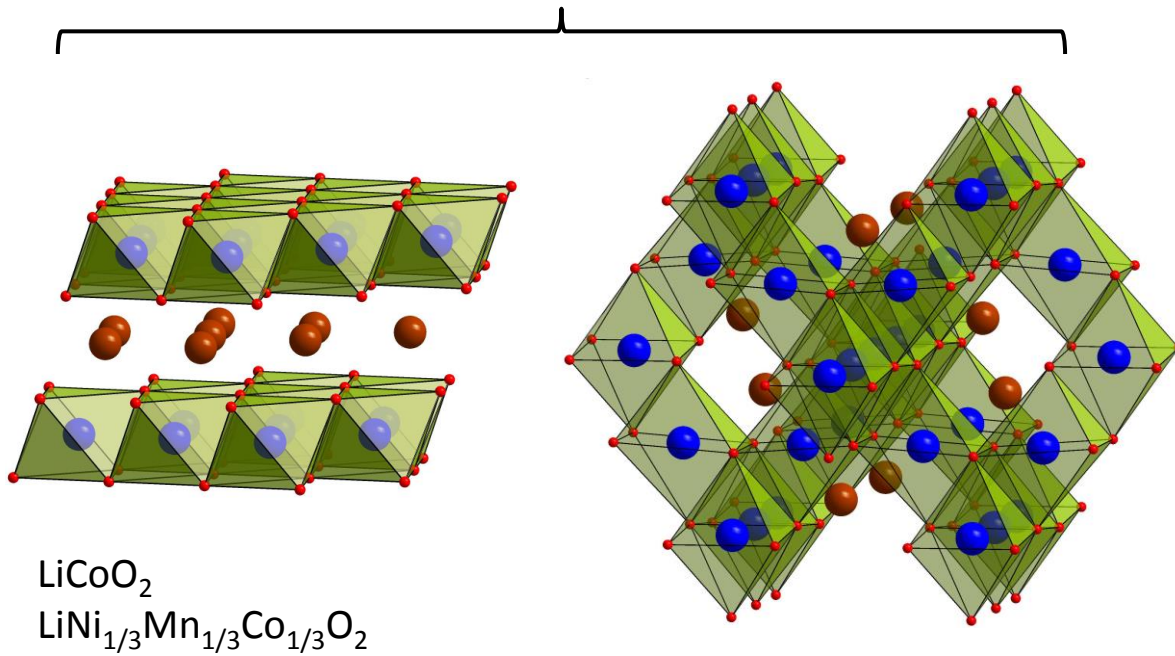
Where these electrons come from?

Li-ion battery energy diagram



Cathode materials: crystal structures

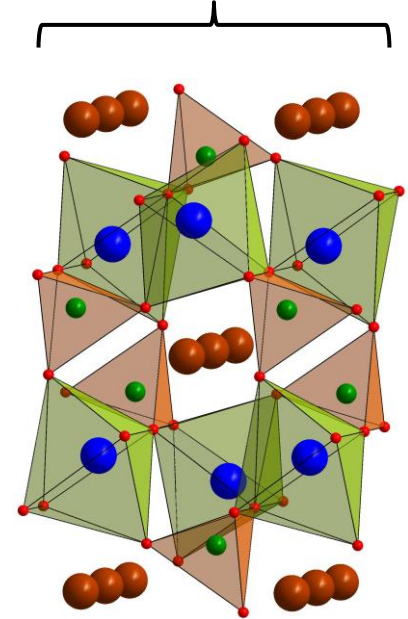
Complex oxides



2D Li transport

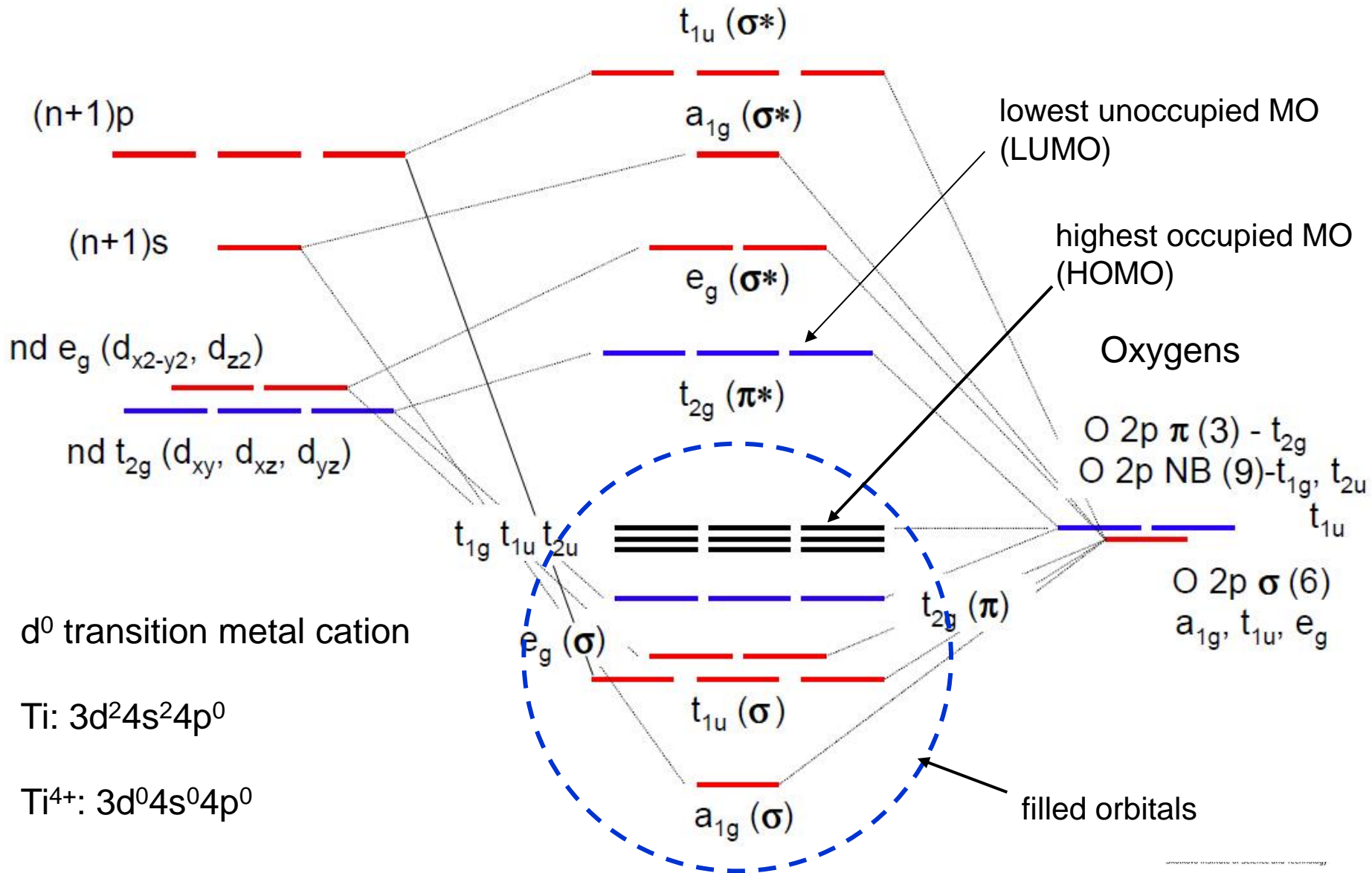
3D Li transport

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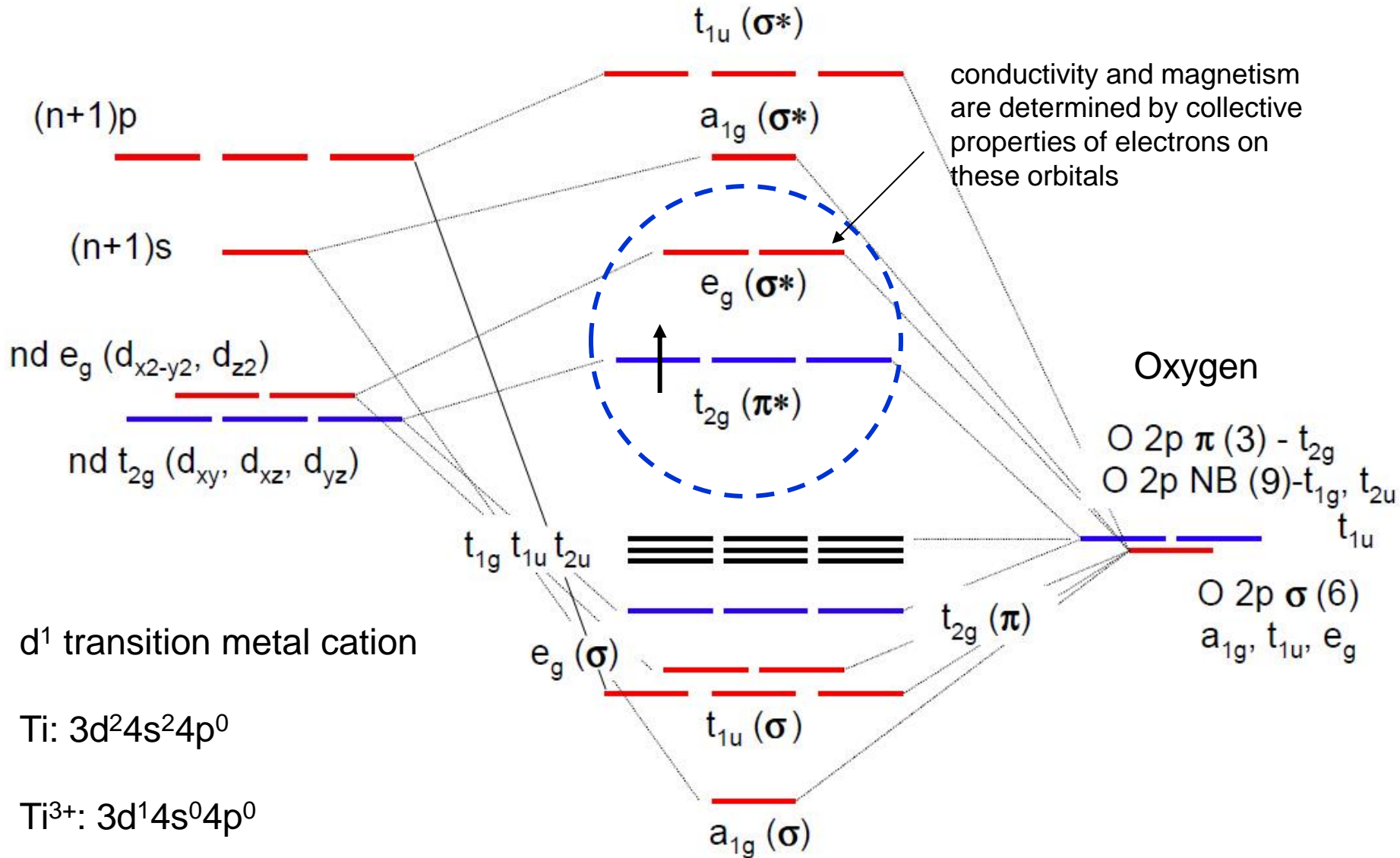


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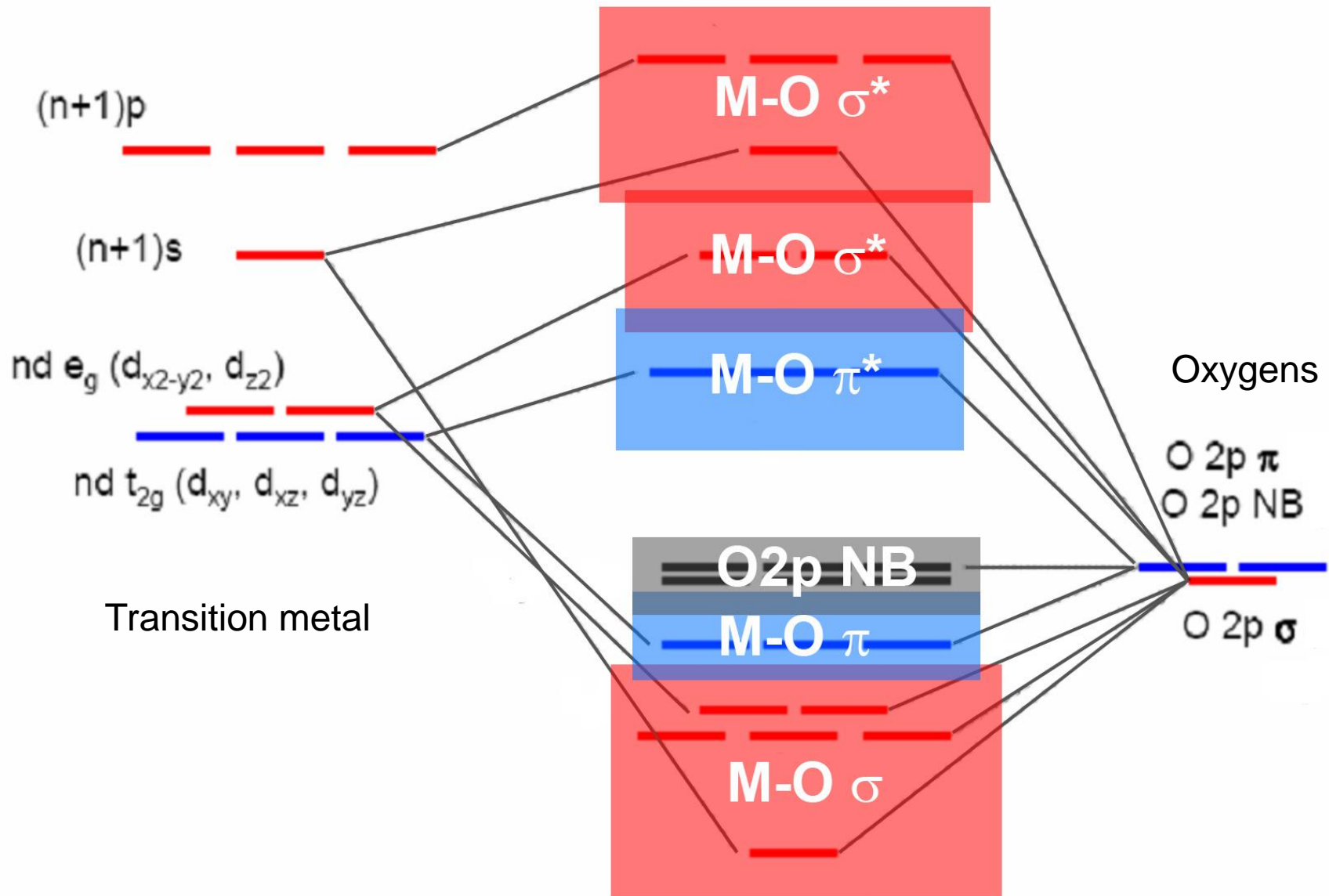
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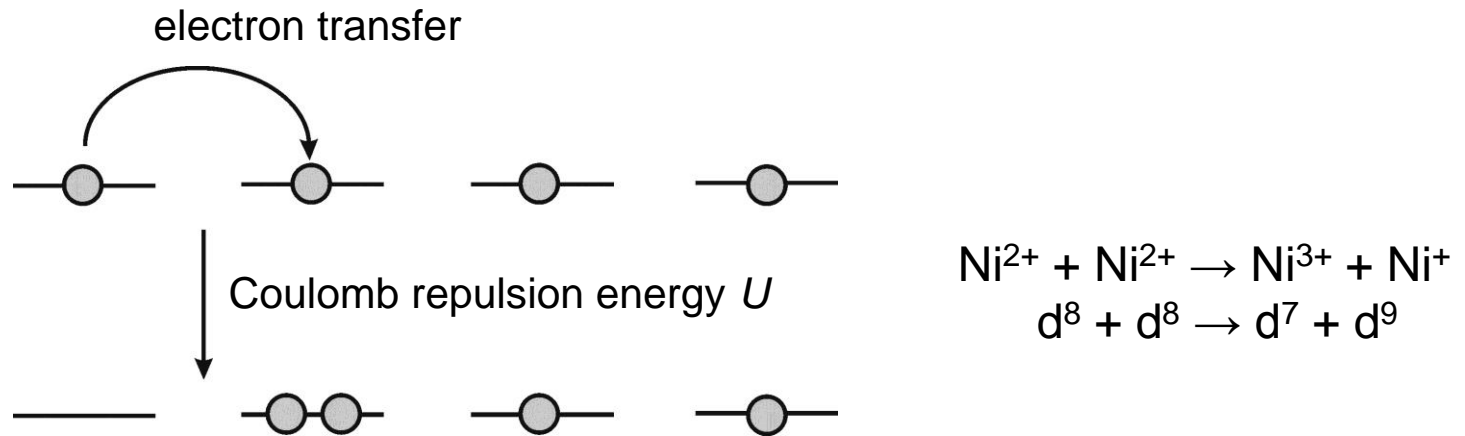
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Simplified band structure

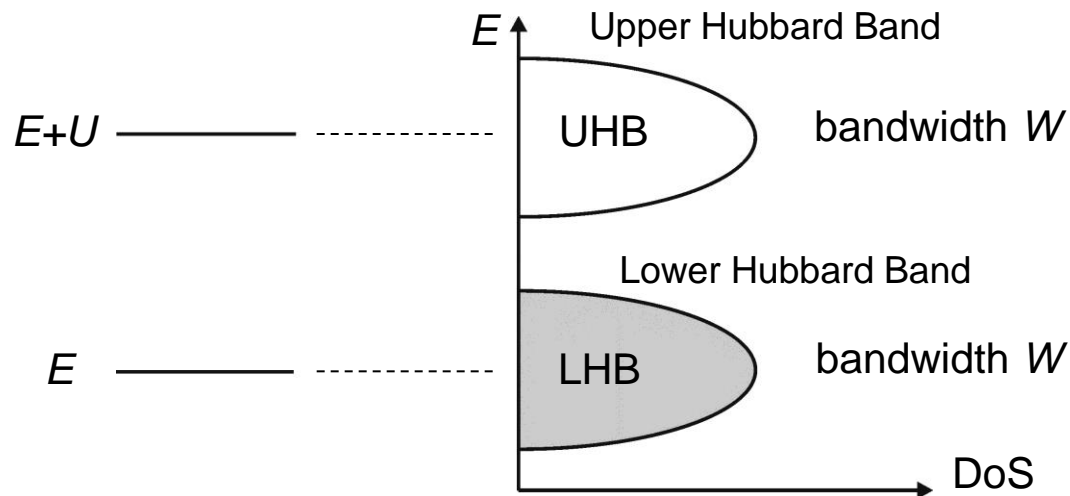


Mott-Hubbard insulators



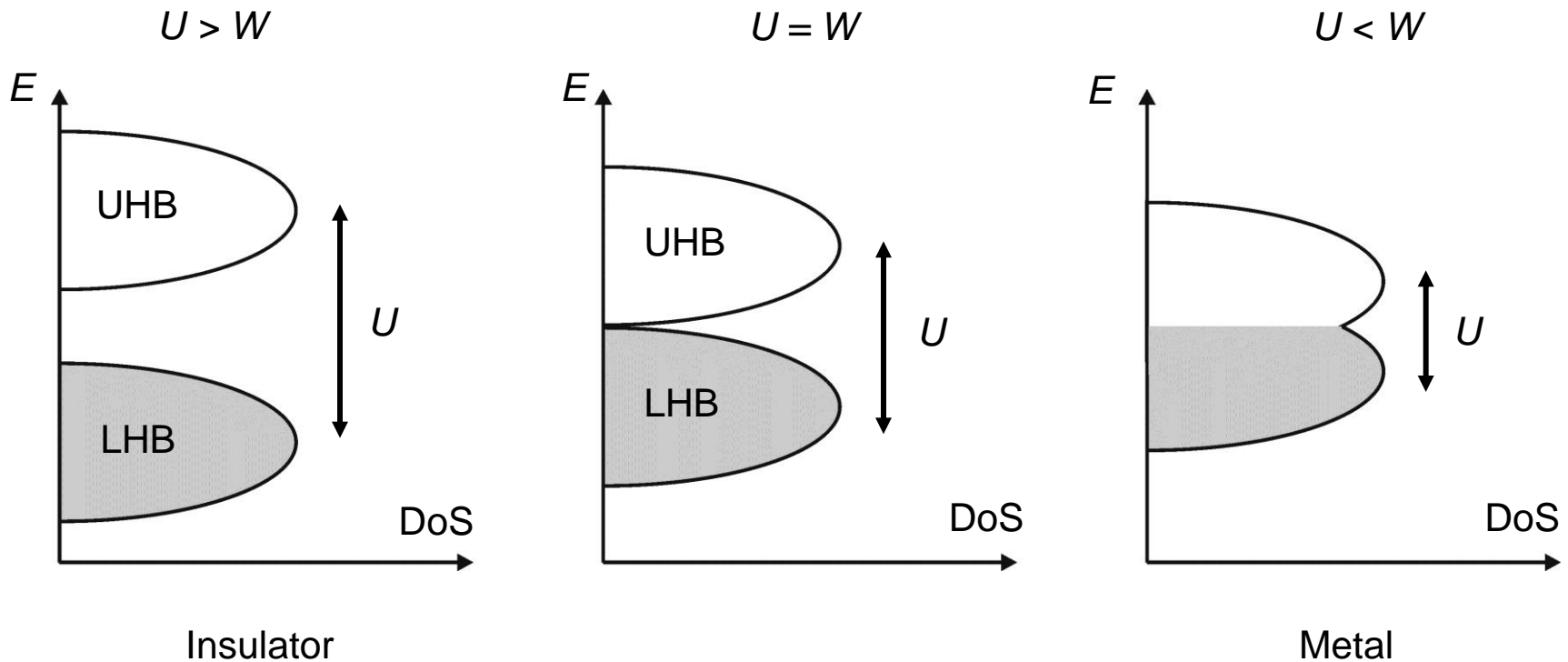
Two competing trends:

- the kinetic energy acts to delocalize the electrons, leading to metallic behaviour.
- the electron-electron Coulomb repulsion energy U wants to localize the electrons on sites.



Mott-Hubbard insulators

Mott-Hubbard scheme of the metal-to-insulator (MI) transition



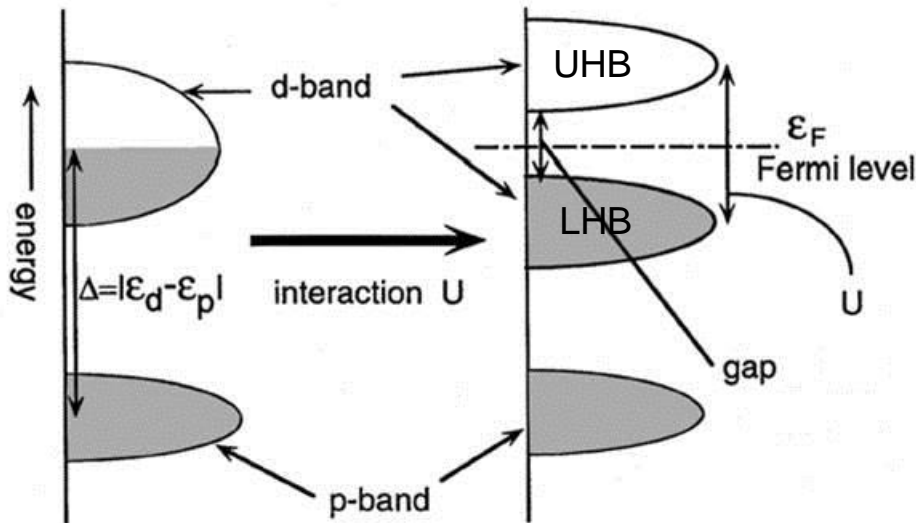
Mott-Hubbard vs charge transfer regimes

Three parameters: on-site Coulomb energy U , bandwidth W and d-band – p-band energy difference (charge transfer energy) Δ

$$U: d_i^n + d_j^n \rightarrow d_i^{n-1} + d_j^{n+1}$$

$$\Delta: d_i^n \rightarrow d_i^{n+1} + L \quad (L - \text{ligand hole})$$

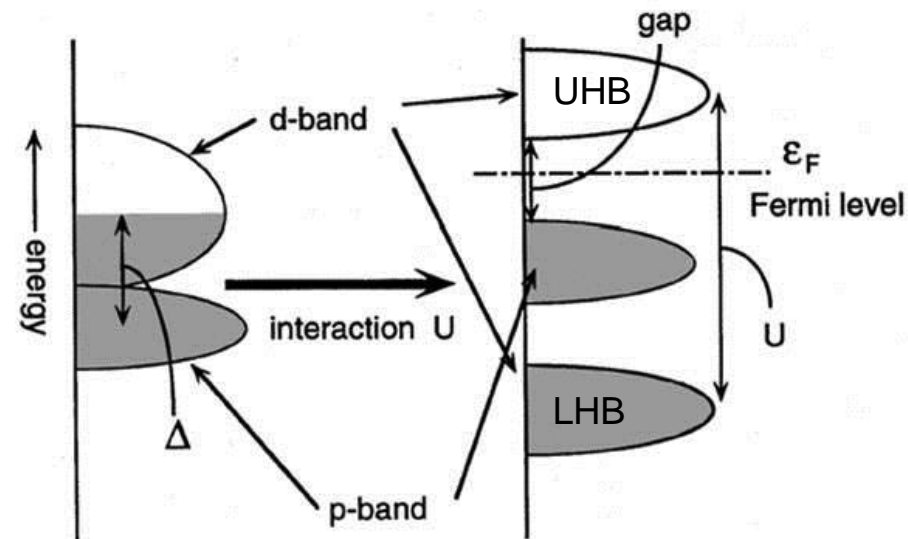
Mott-Hubbard regime



$$U < \Delta, \text{ gap } U - W$$

early 3d metals: Ti-O, V-O

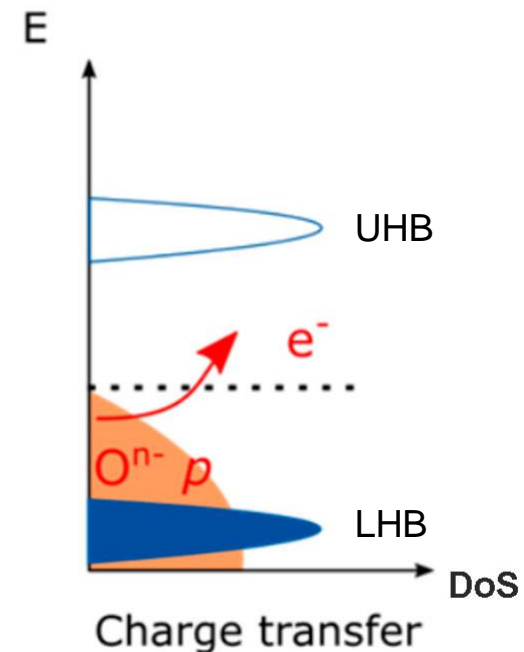
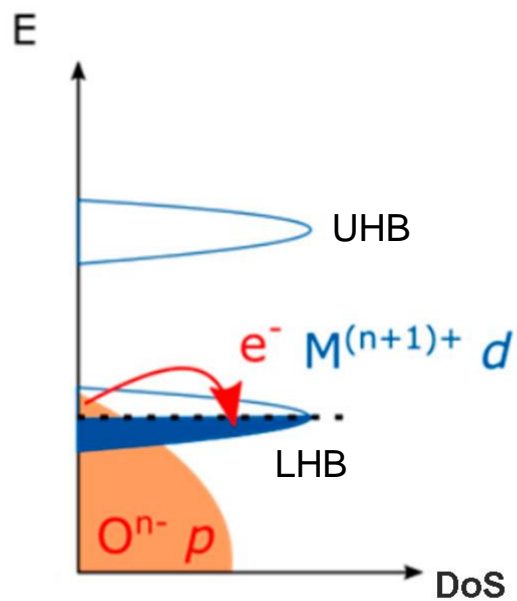
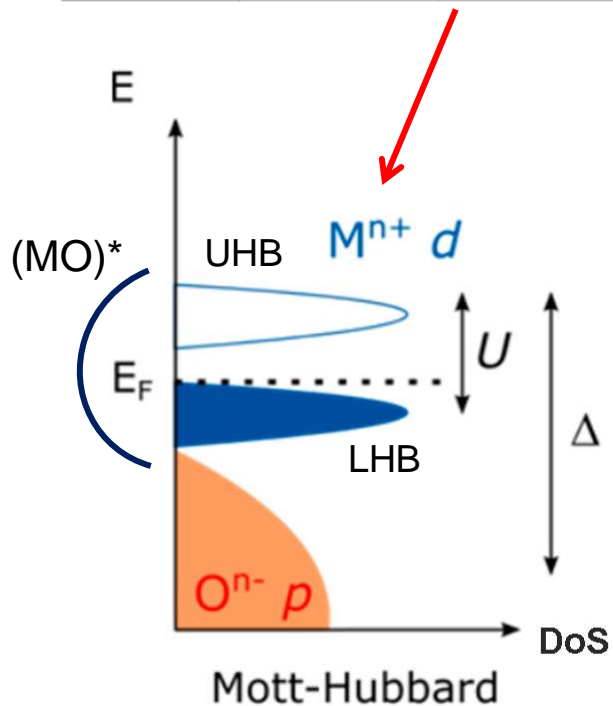
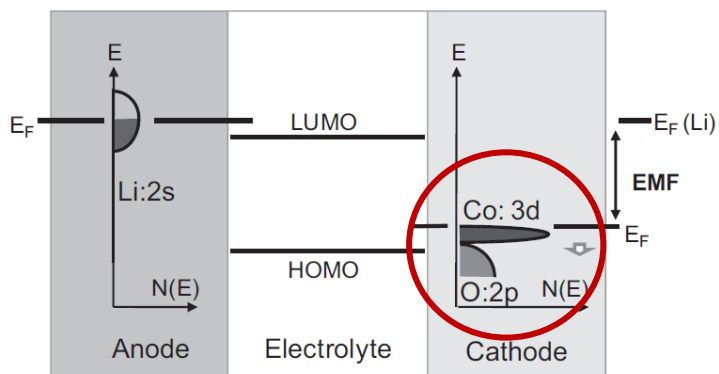
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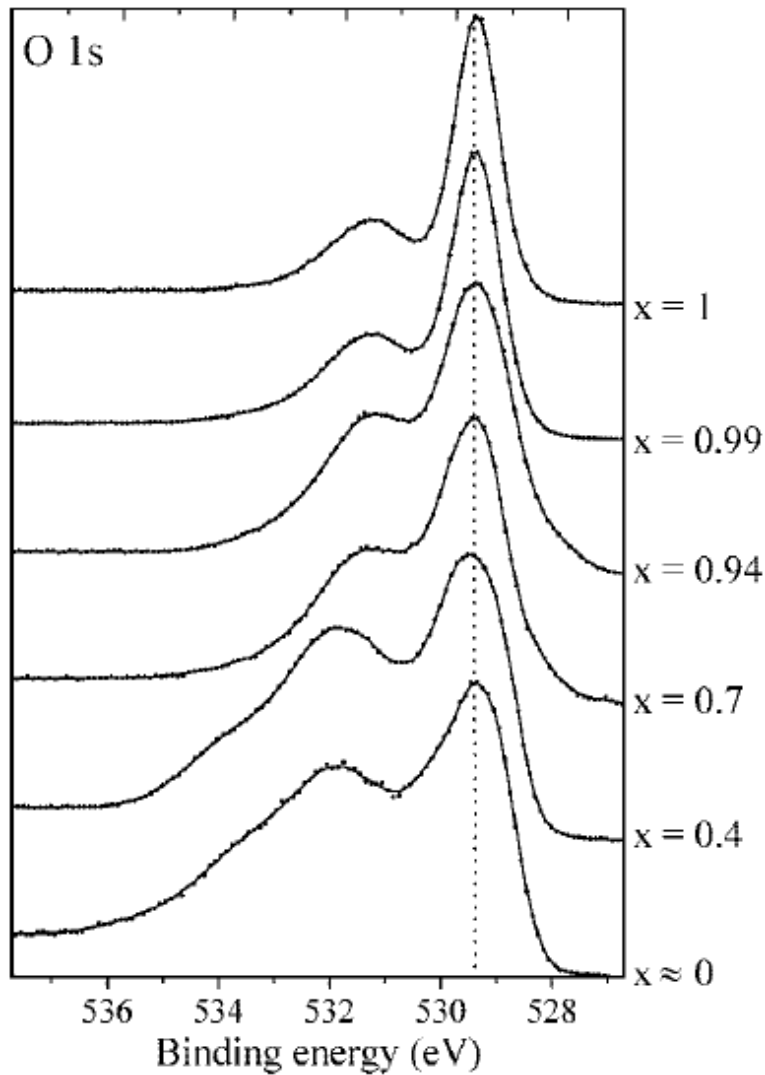
$$U > \Delta, \text{ gap } \Delta - W$$

latest 3d metals: Ni-O, Cu-O

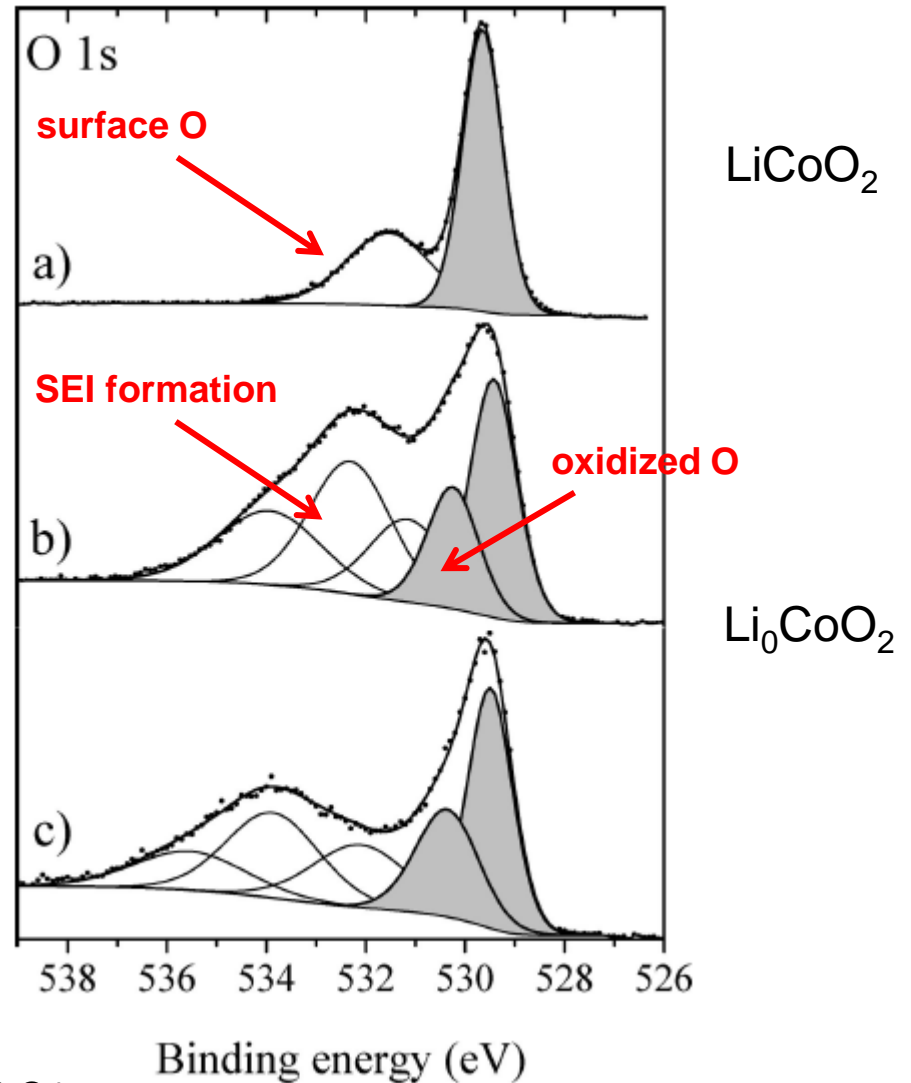
Mott-Hubbard vs charge transfer regimes



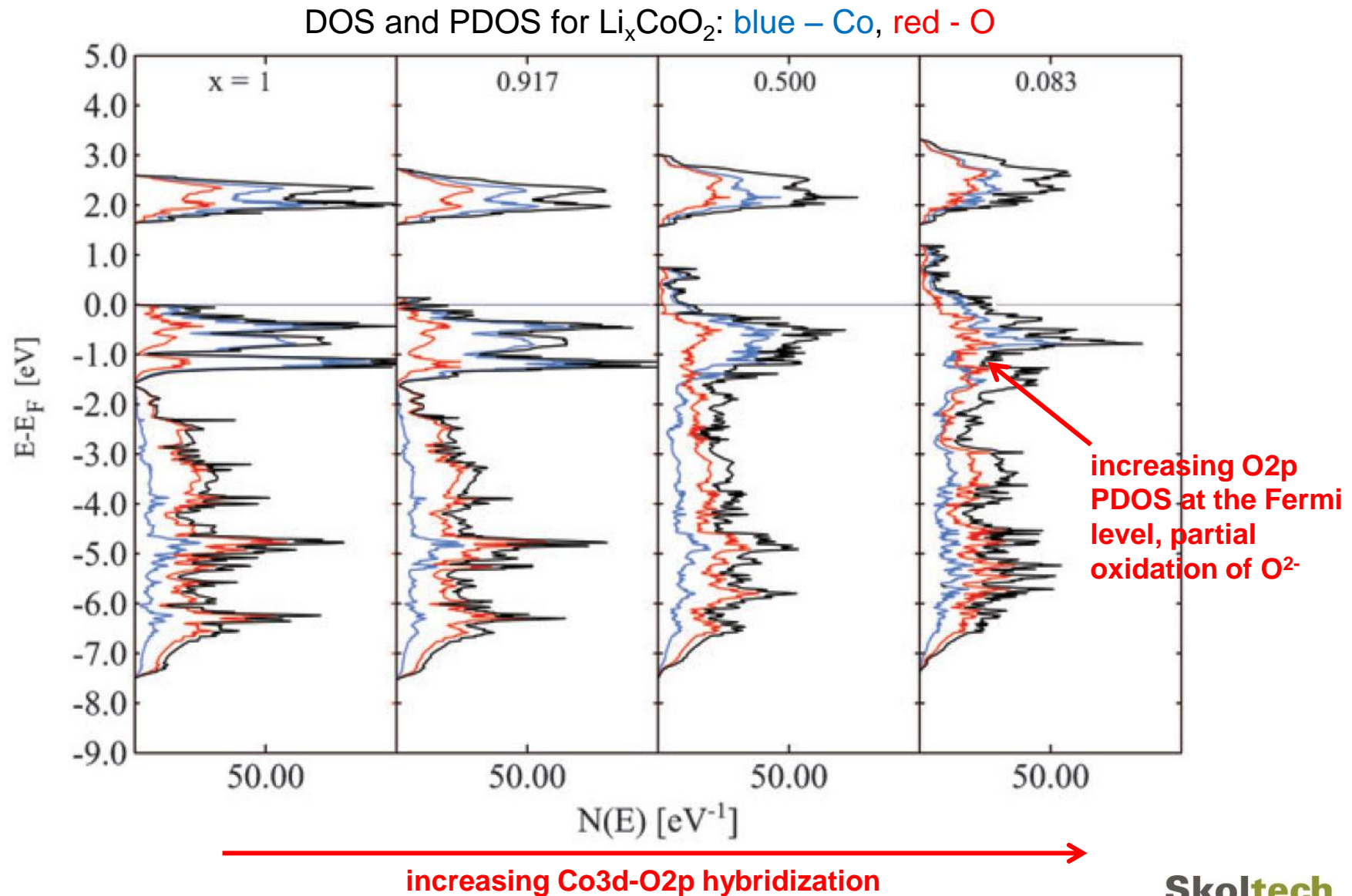
Lattice oxygen oxidation



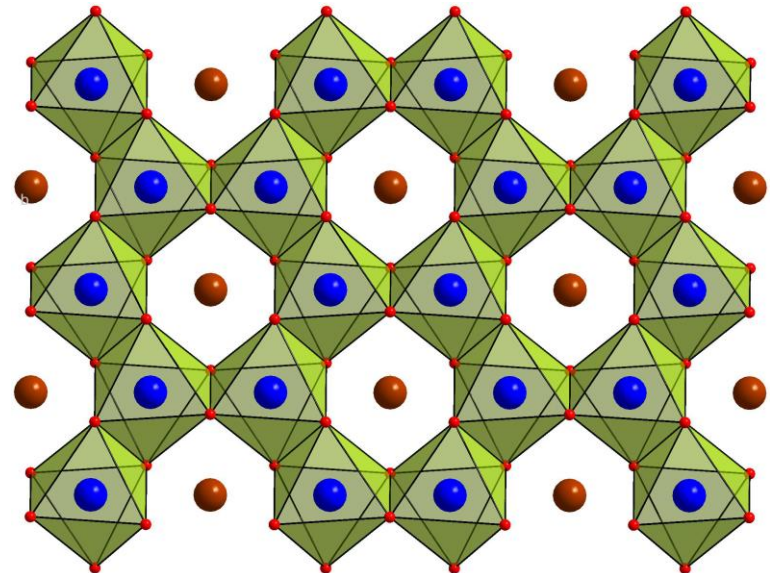
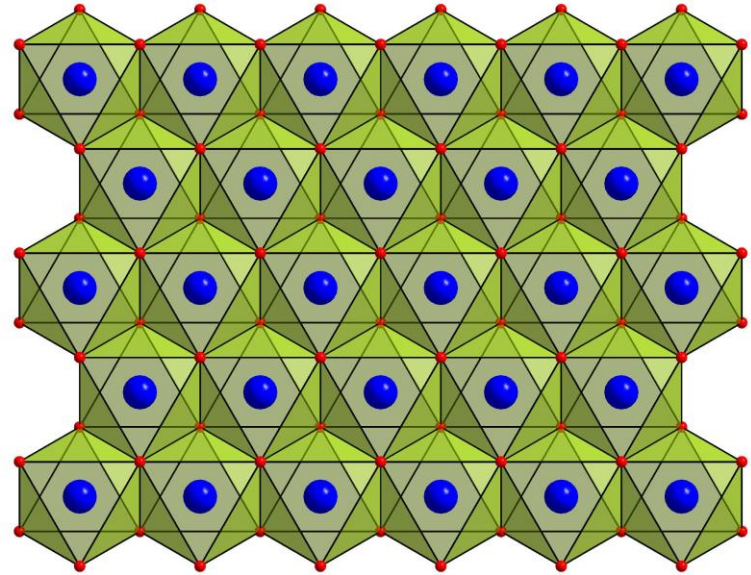
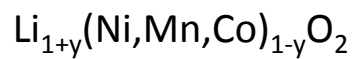
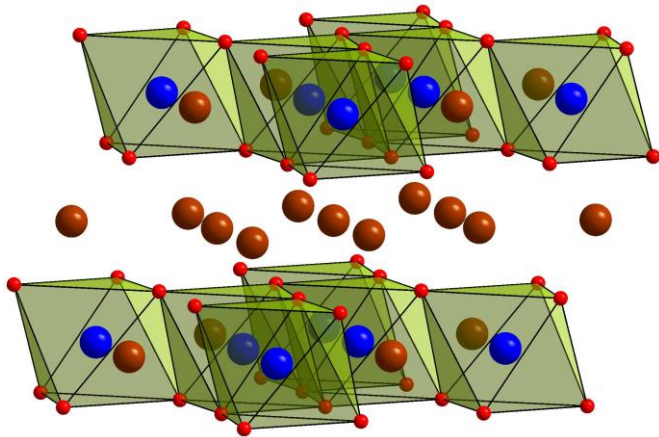
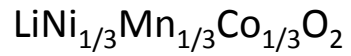
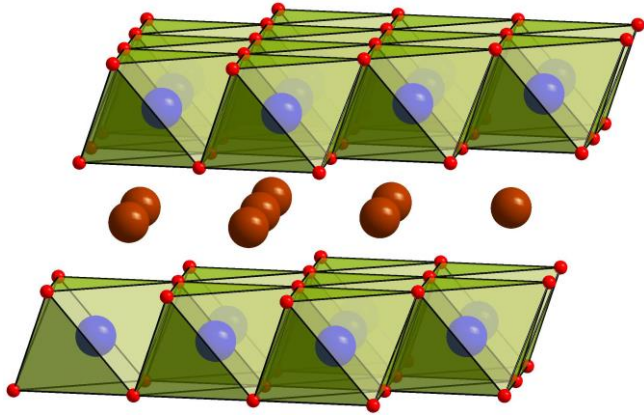
Li_xCoO_2 XPS O1s



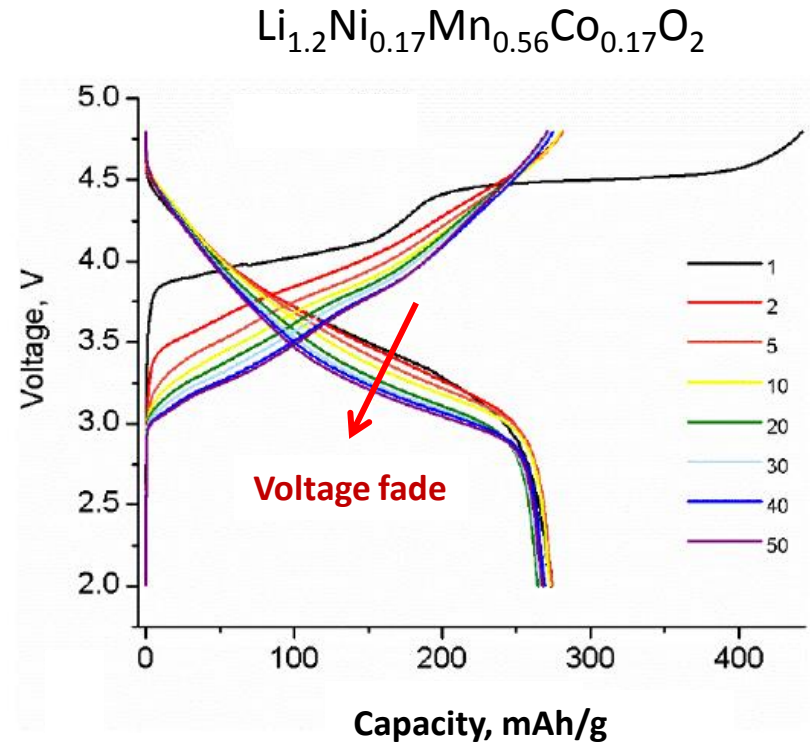
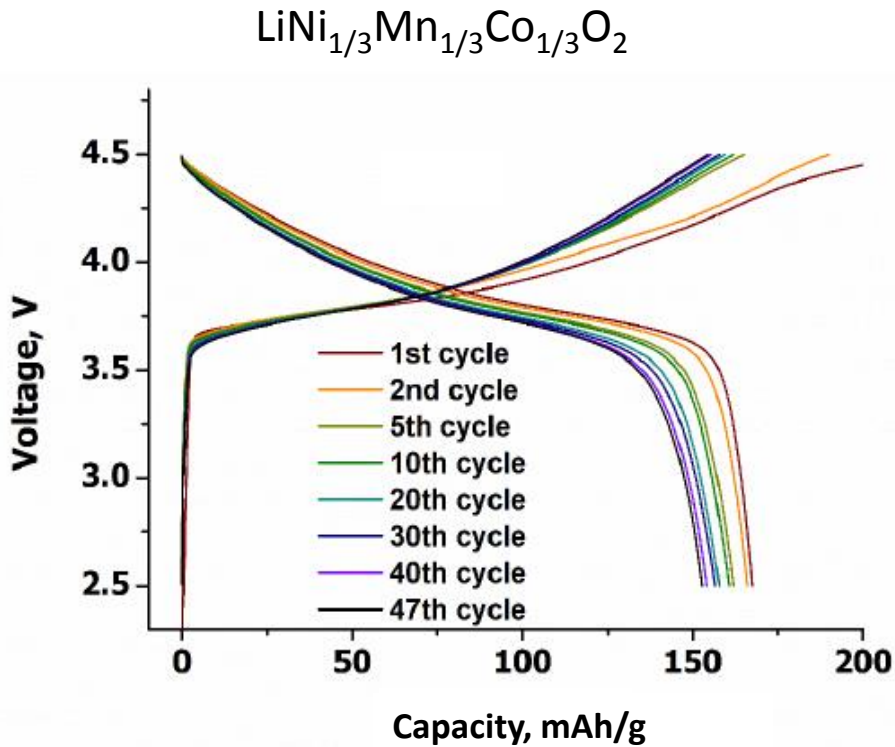
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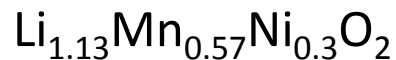
High capacity layered cathodes



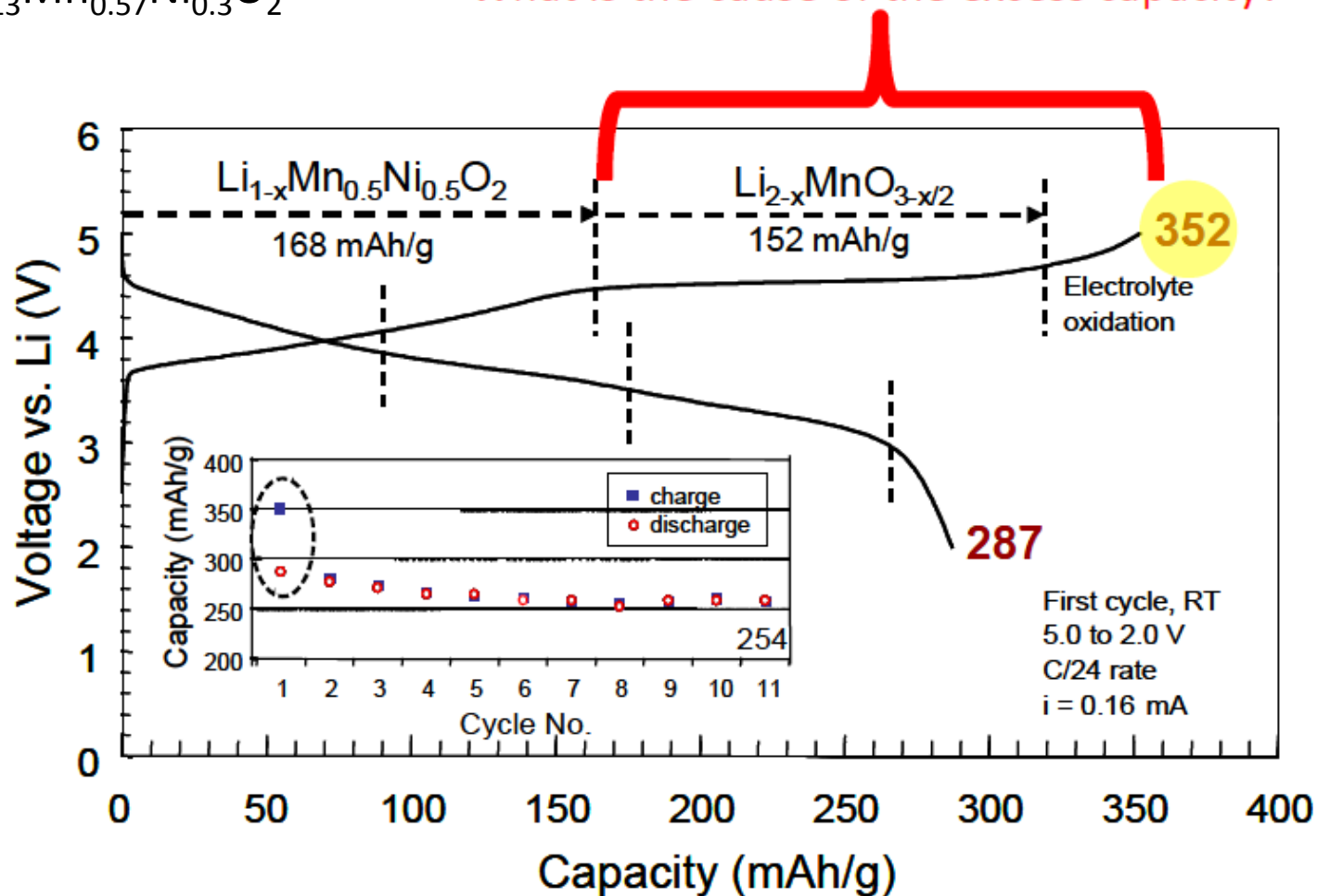
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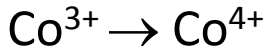
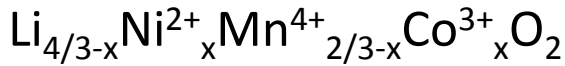
High capacity layered cathodes: excess capacity



What is the cause of the excess capacity?



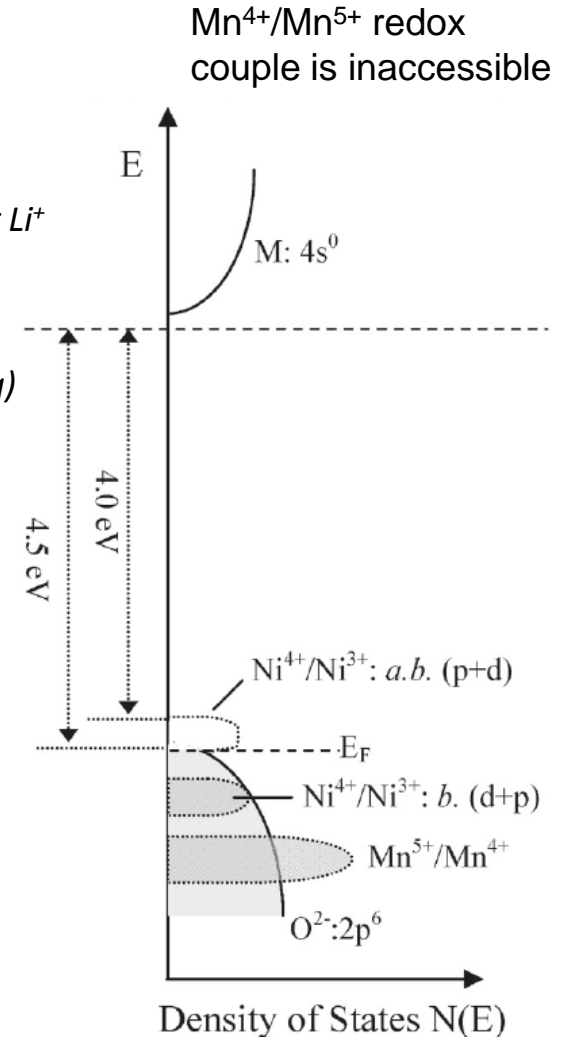
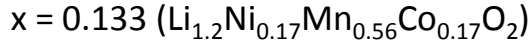
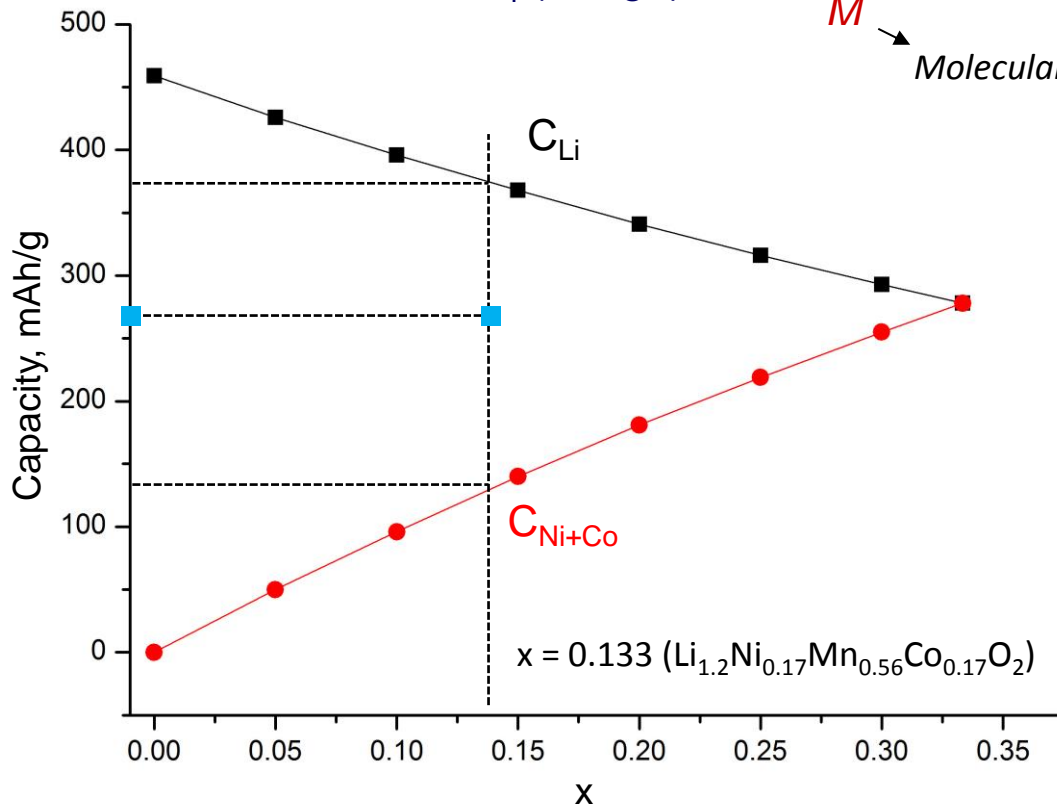
High capacity layered cathodes



Theoretical capacity:

$$C_T (\text{A h g}^{-1}) = \frac{26.8 \times \Delta n}{M}$$

Δn → number of e^- or Li^+
 M → Molecular weight (g)



Lattice oxygen oxidation

Identification of cathode materials for lithium batteries guided by first-principles calculations

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The replacement with non-transition metals is driven by the realization that oxygen, rather than transition-metal ions, function as the electron acceptor upon insertion of Li.

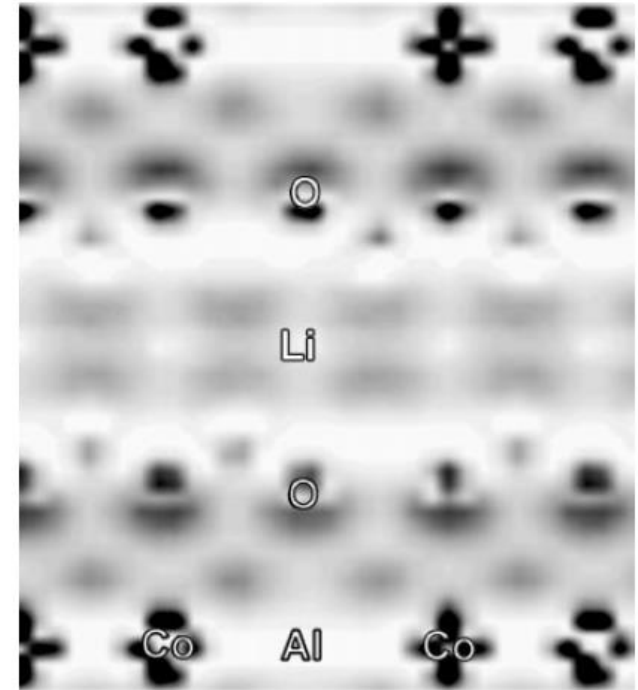
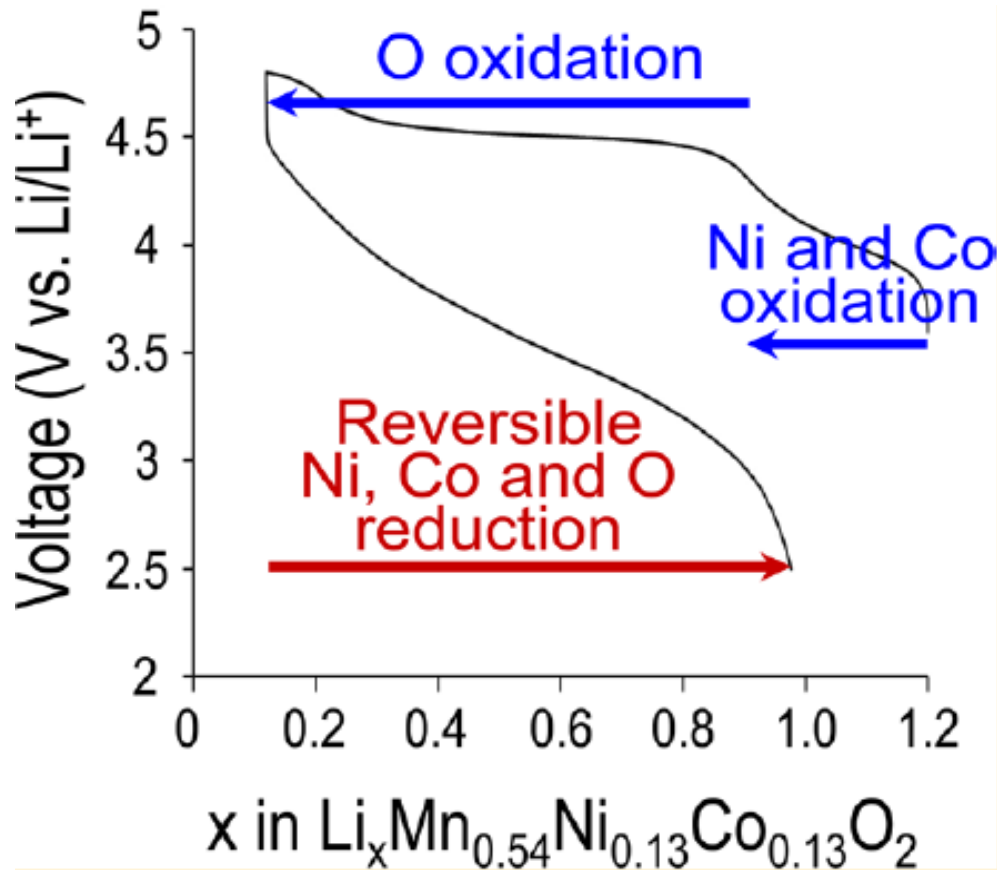


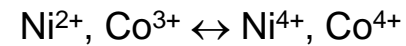
Figure 1 Positive part of the electron density difference between $\text{Li}(\text{Al}_{0.33}\text{Co}_{0.67})\text{O}_2$ and $(\text{Al}_{0.33}\text{Co}_{0.67})\text{O}_2$ in a plane perpendicular to the direction of layering in the structure. Darker indicates larger electron density.

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Lattice oxygen oxidation



Two redox processes:



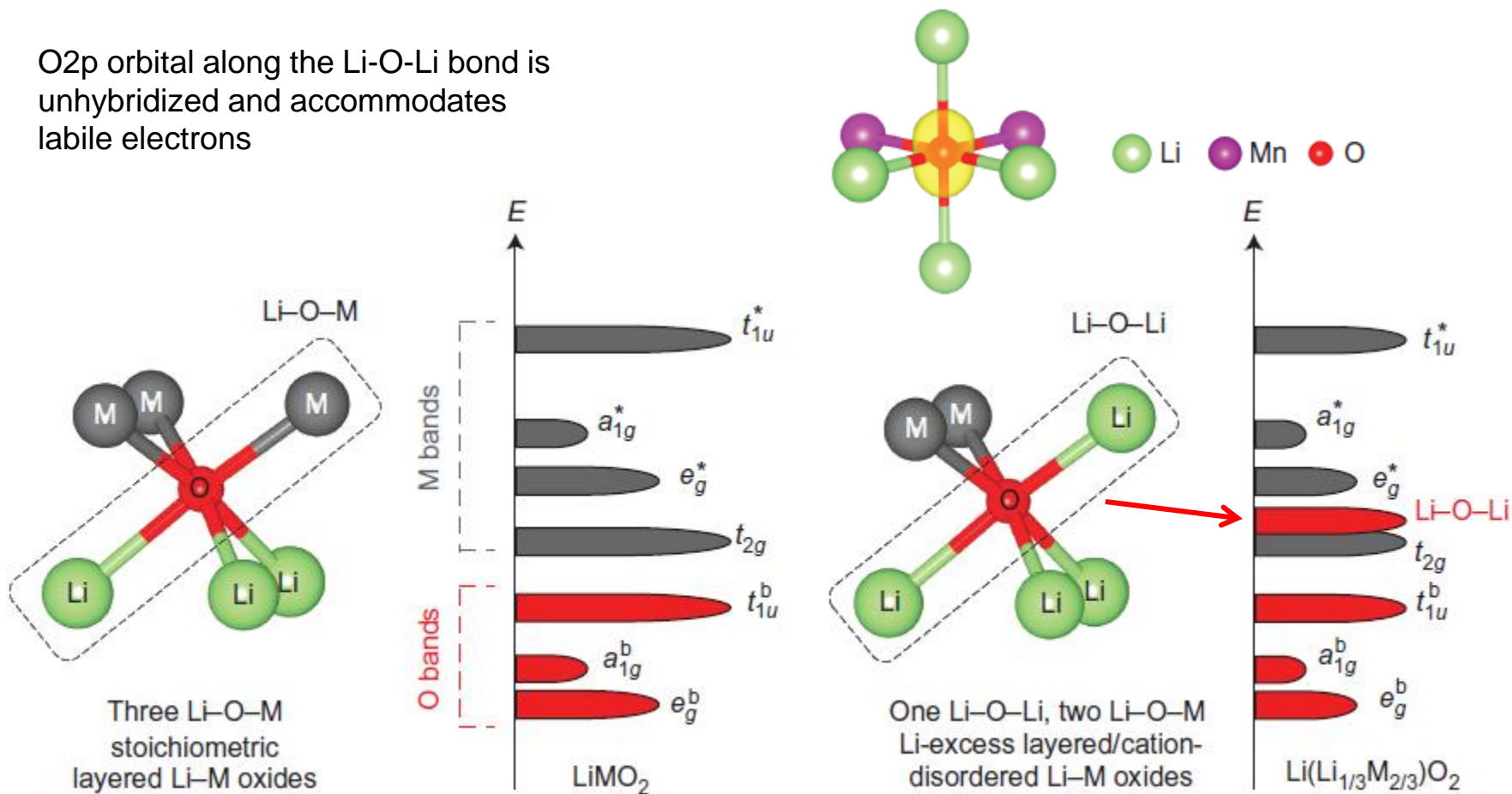
(Mn⁴⁺ is neither oxidized nor reduced)

Reversible oxygen oxidation

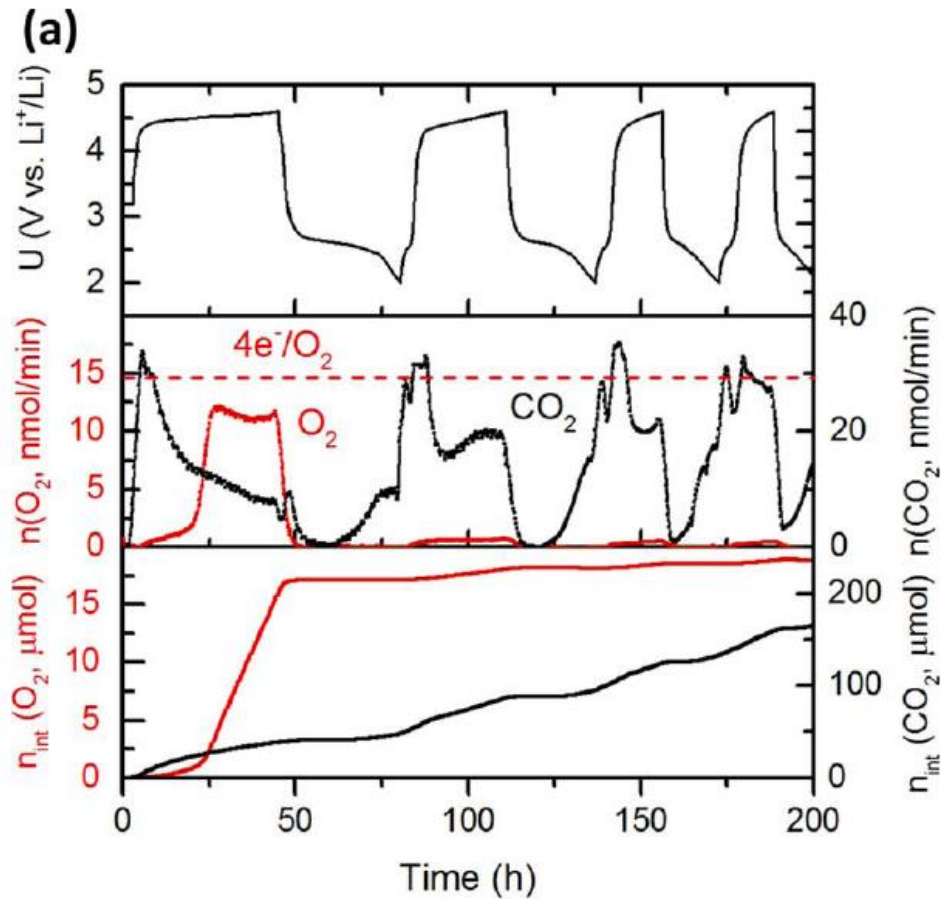
XANES and EXAFS on Ni,Co and Mn-K edges

Mechanism: orphaned Li-O-Li O2p orbitals

O2p orbital along the Li-O-Li bond is unhybridized and accommodates labile electrons

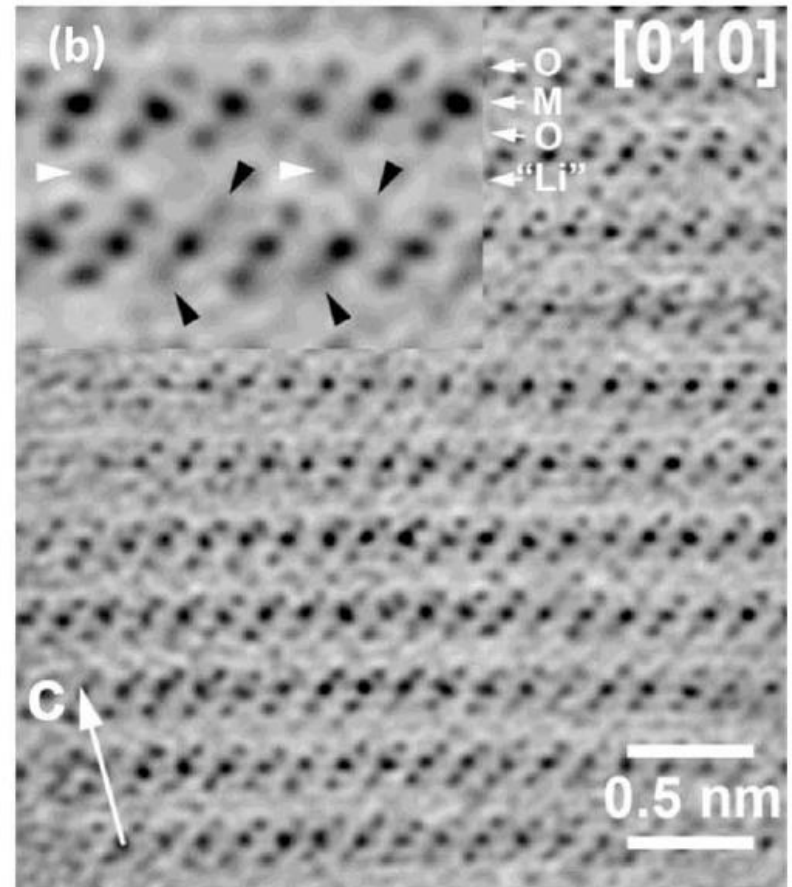


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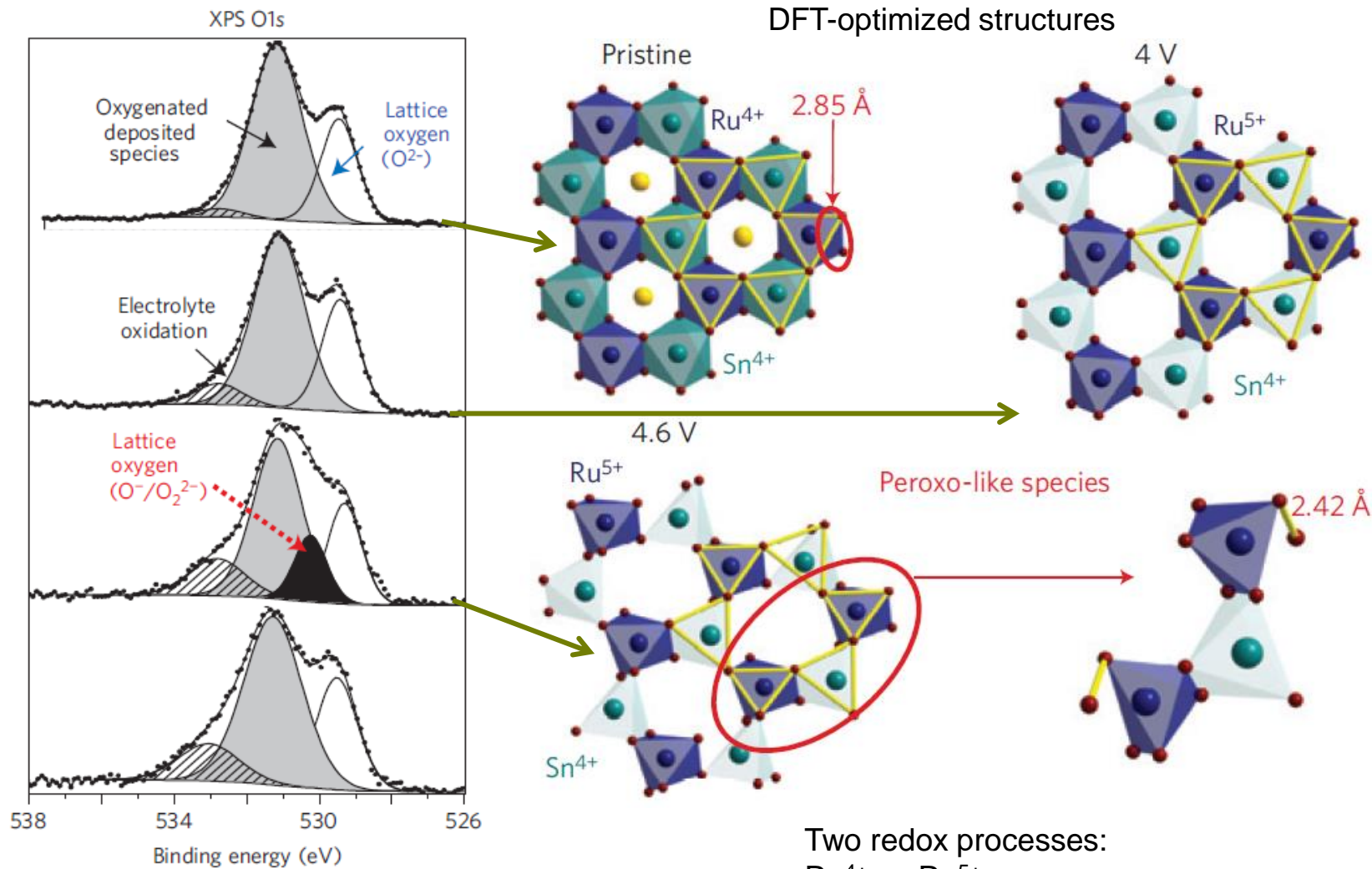
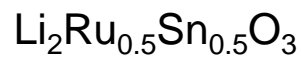


Irreversible capacity solely due to the oxygen evolution

partially charged $\text{Li}_{3.27}\text{Fe(III)}_{0.56}\text{TeO}_{5.5}$

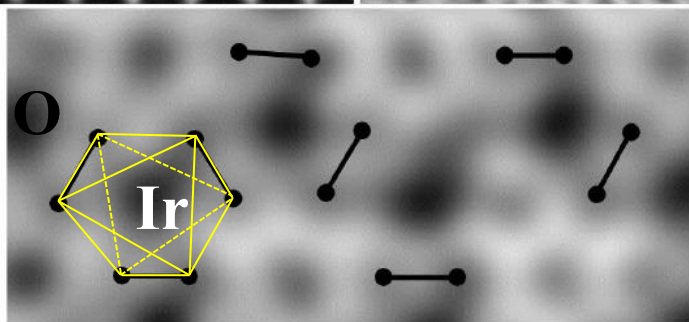
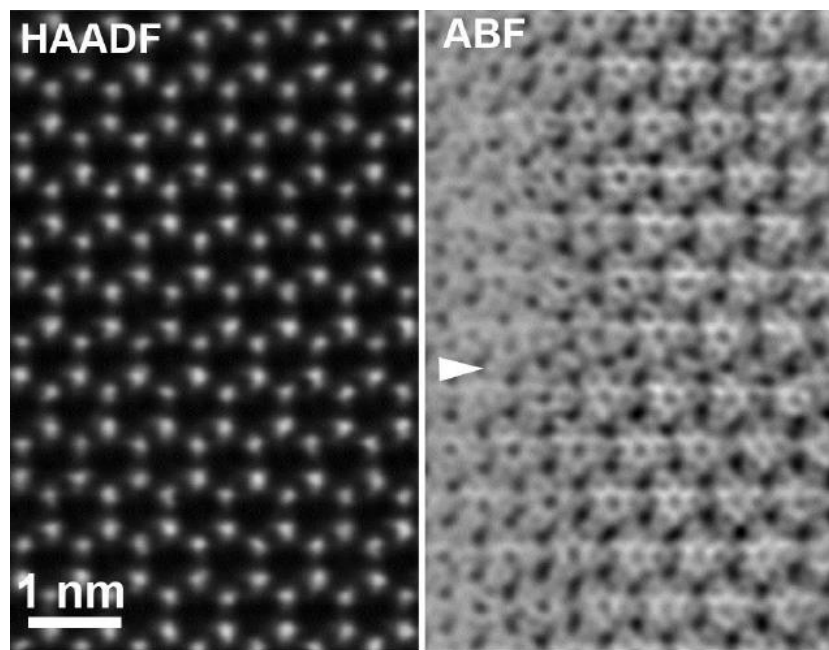


Formation of O_2^{n-}

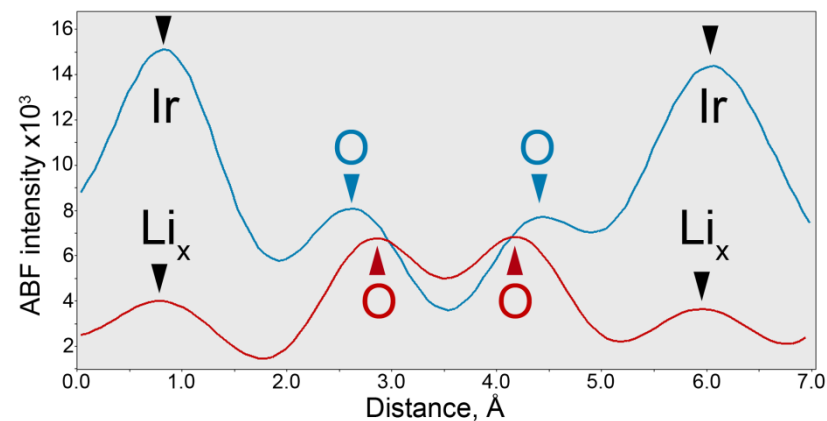


Two redox processes:
 $Ru^{4+} \leftrightarrow Ru^{5+}$
 $2O^{2-} \leftrightarrow O_2^{n-} (n \leq 3)$

Formation of O_2^{n-} : layered α - Li_2IrO_3



$Li_2IrO_3 \rightarrow Li_{0.5}IrO_3$: oxidation of $Ir^{4+} \rightarrow Ir^{5+}$ and $O^{2-} \rightarrow O_2^{n-}$ ($n < 4$), shortening the O-O distances

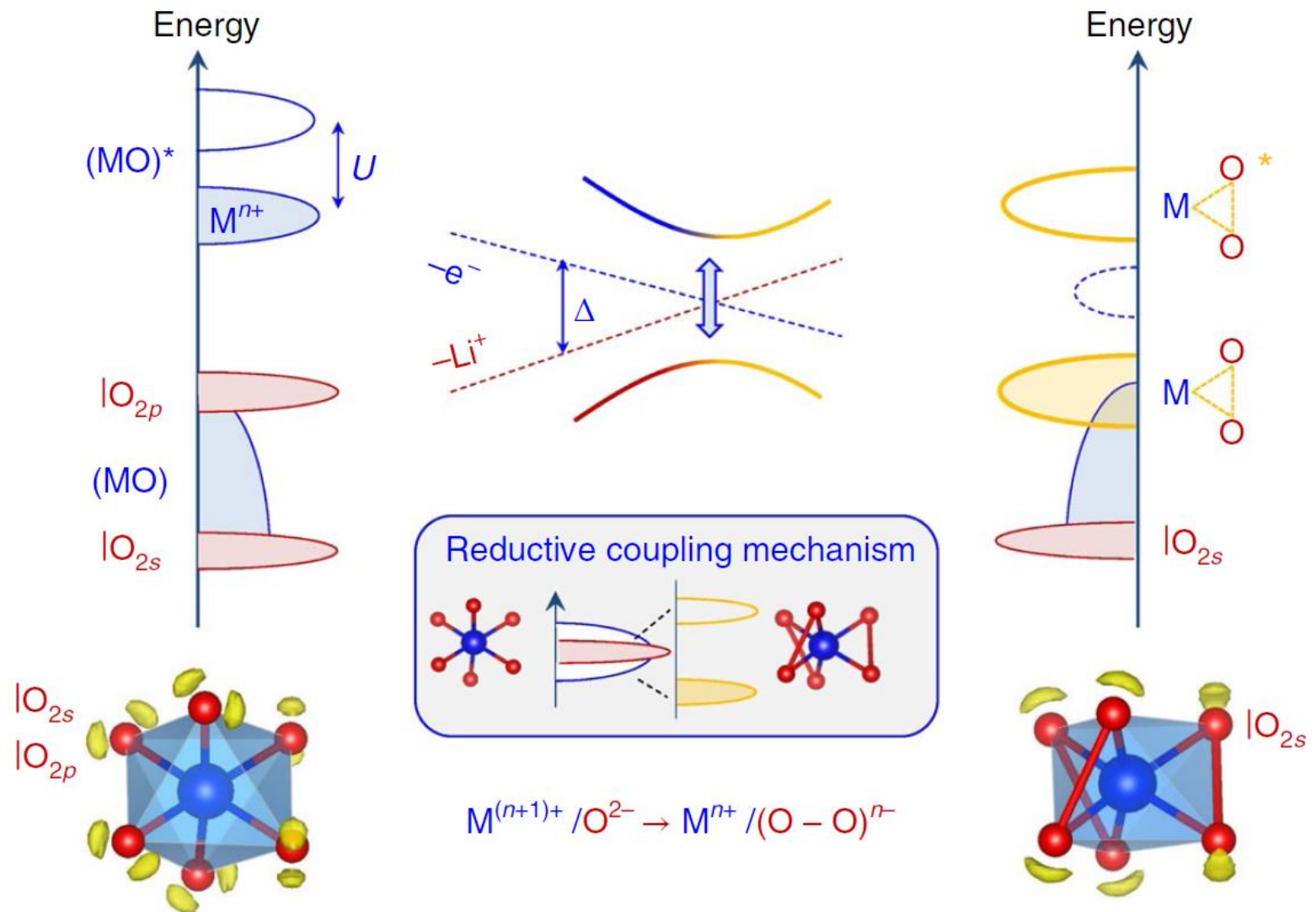


Projected O-O distances from ABF-STEM:
short: 1.56(1)Å long: 1.83(1) Å

Projected O-O distances from DFT ($Li_{0.5}IrO_3$):
short: 1.48Å long: 1.85Å

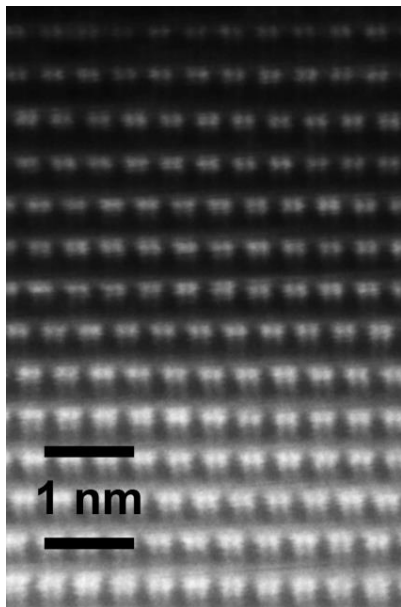
HAADF- and ABF-STEM for $Li_{0.5}IrO_3$ charged to 4.5V

Mechanism: reductive coupling

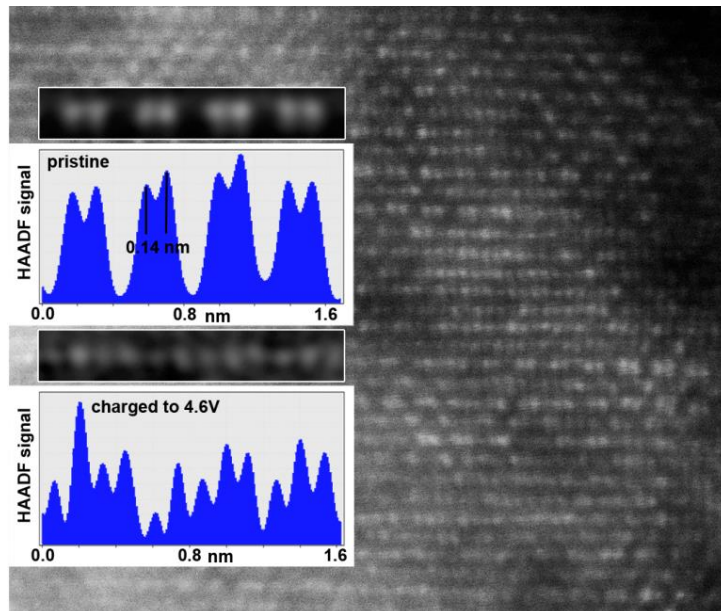


Formation of O_2^{n-} and cation migration

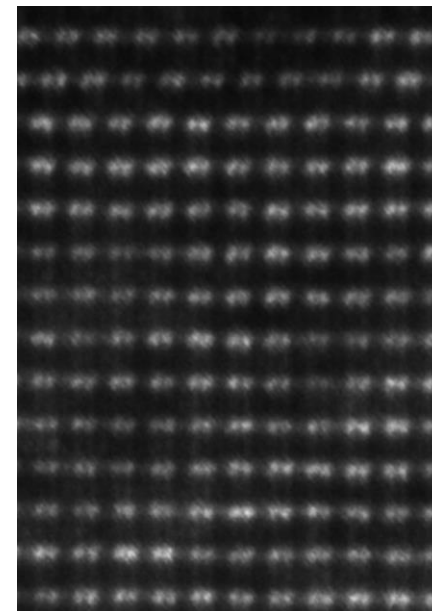
Pristine



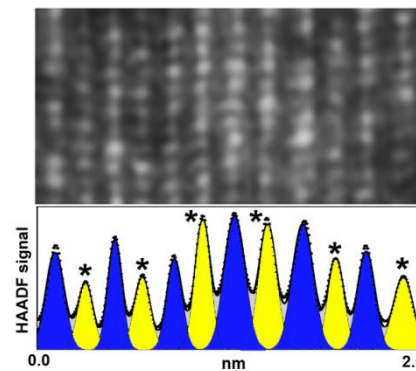
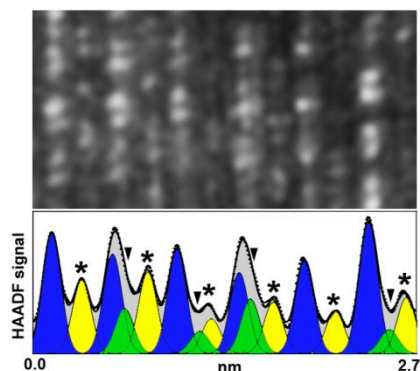
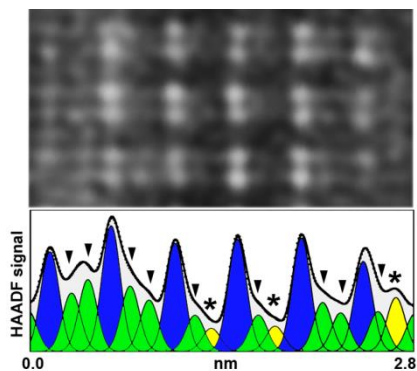
Charged to 4.6V



Discharged to 2V

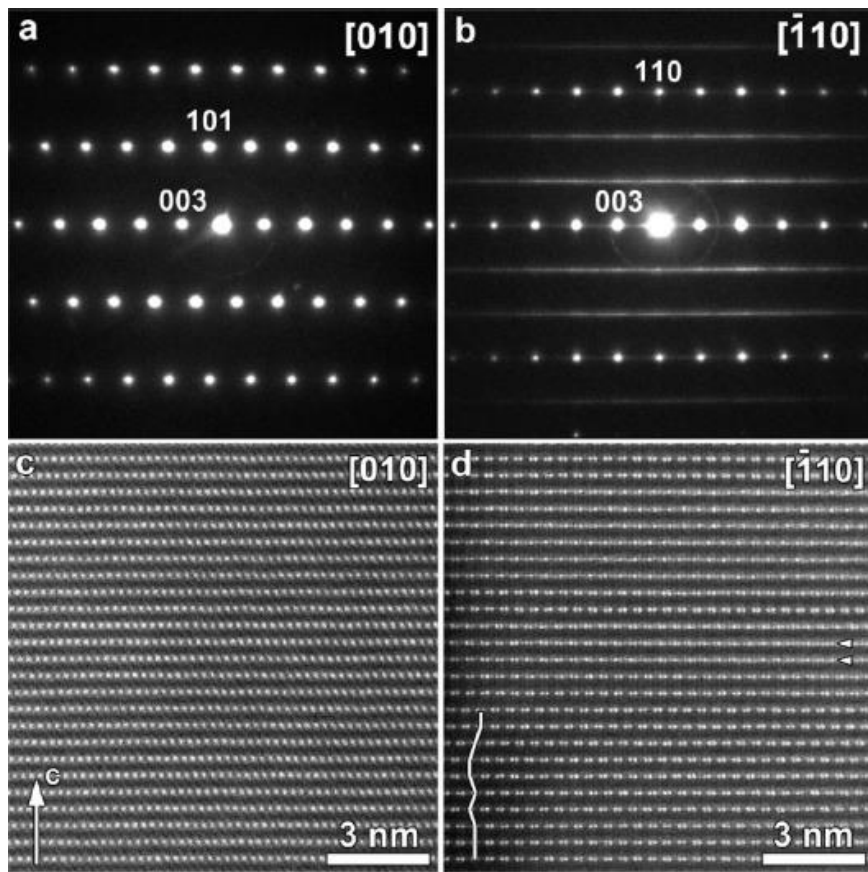


Structurally inhomogeneous charged state

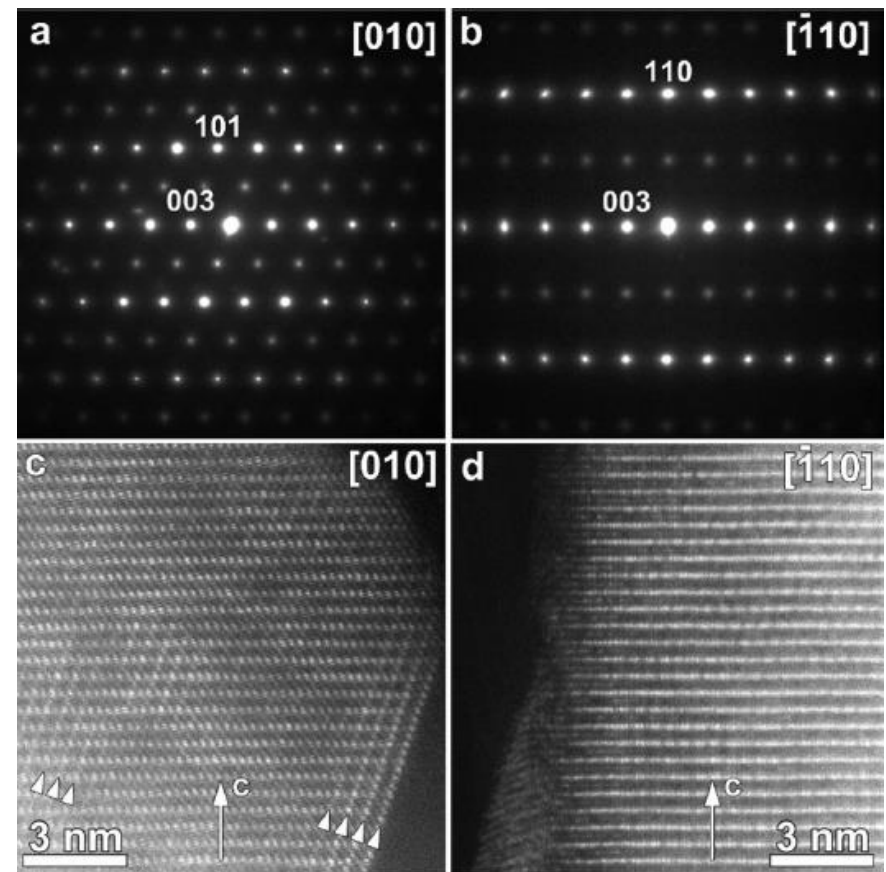


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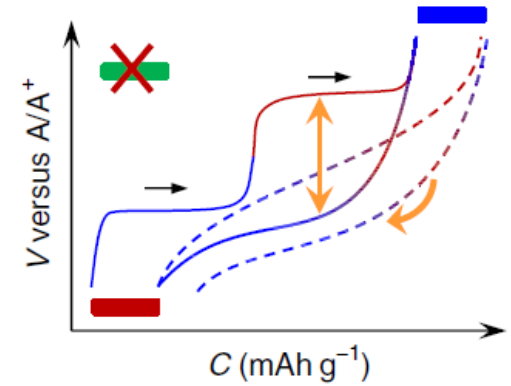
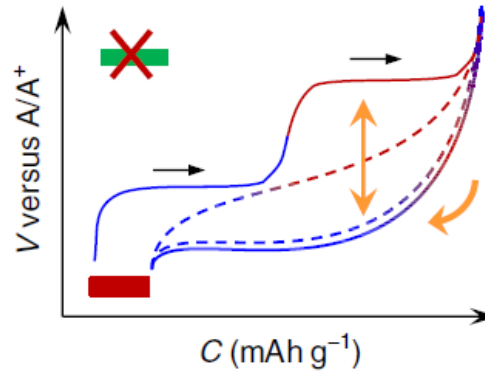
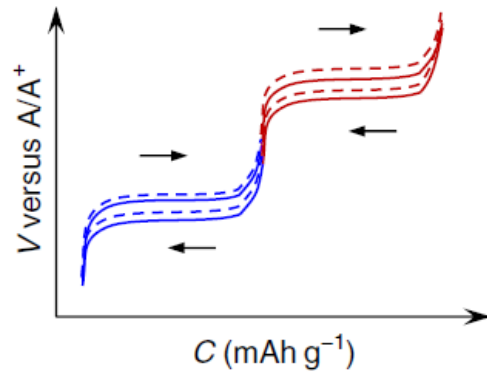
pristine $Li_{1+y}(Ni,Mn,Co)_{1-y}O_2$



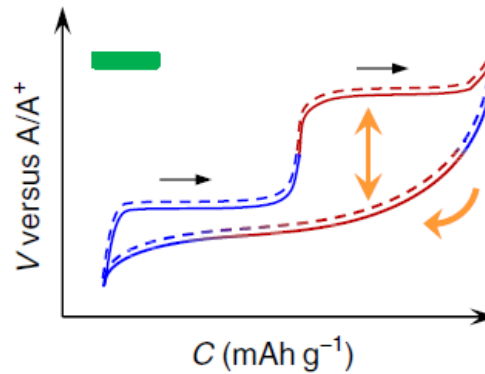
$Li_{1+y}(Ni,Mn,Co)_{1-y}O_2$ after 50 cycles



Versatility of the electrochemical behavior



Cationic activity
 — 1st cycle
 - - - 2nd cycle



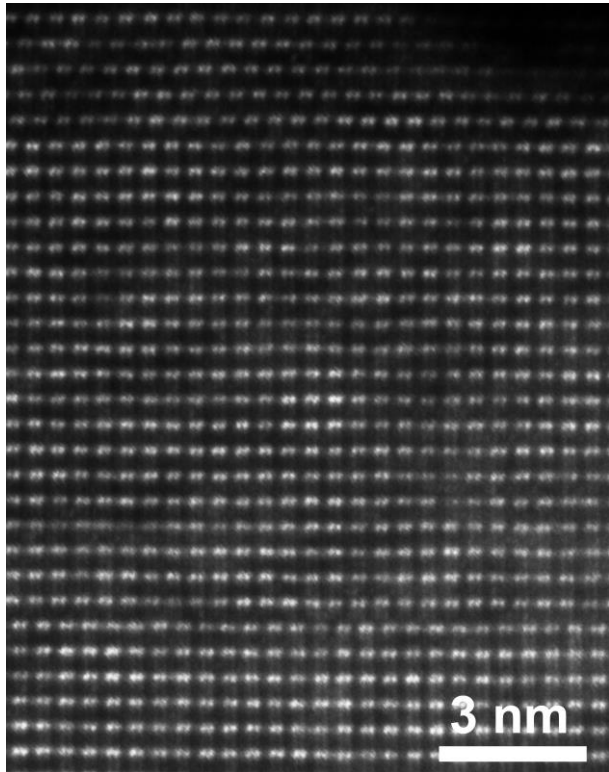
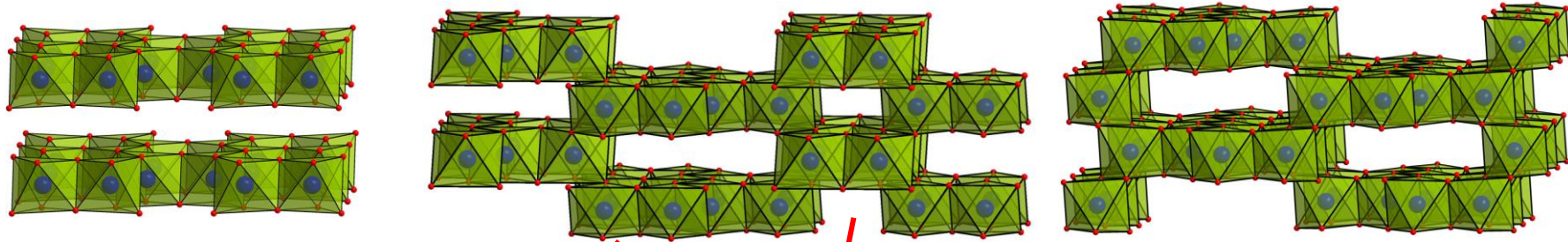
Anionic activity
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~~(IR)~~ Reversible M migrations

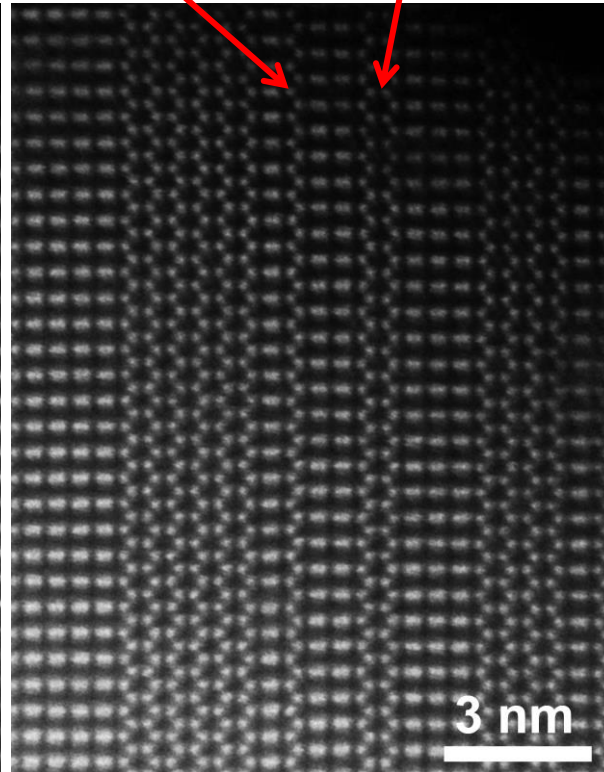
Capacity loss $O_2 \uparrow$

Capacity gain (M)

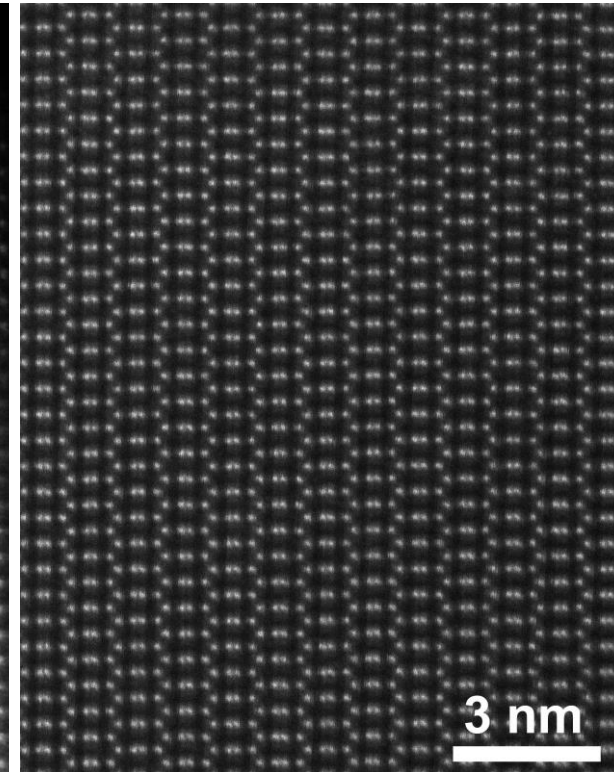
Suppressing cation migration: 3D β -Li₂IrO₃



2D layered



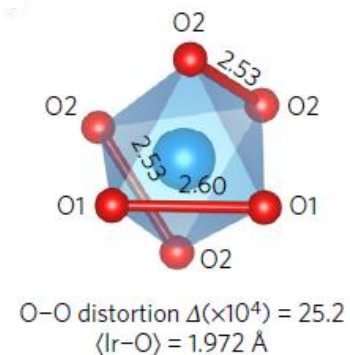
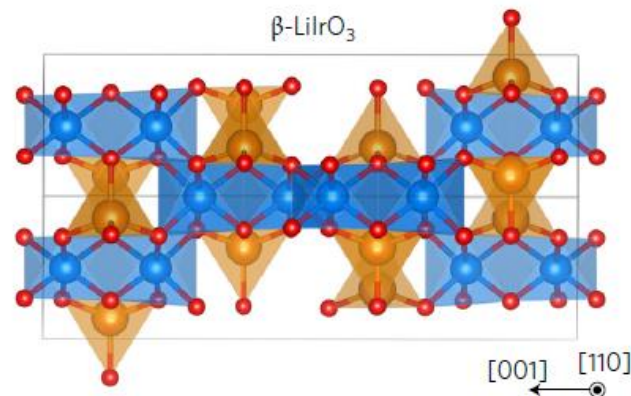
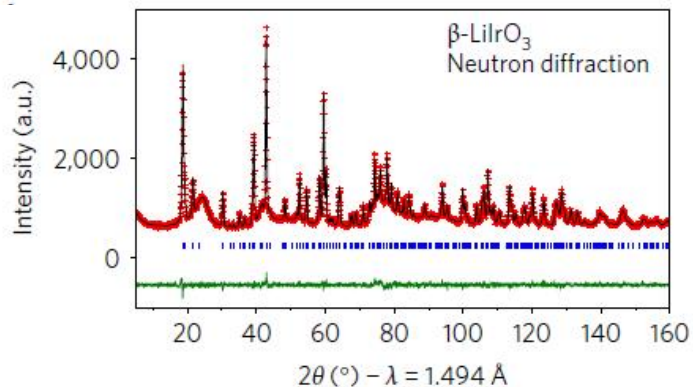
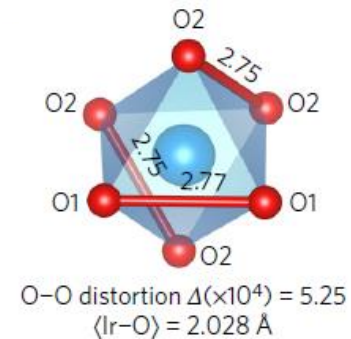
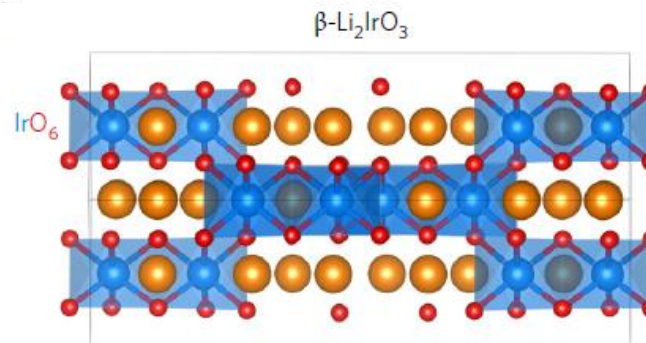
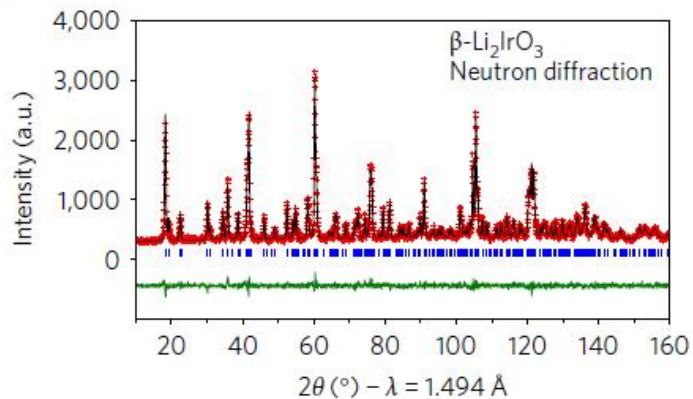
Random stacking of APBs



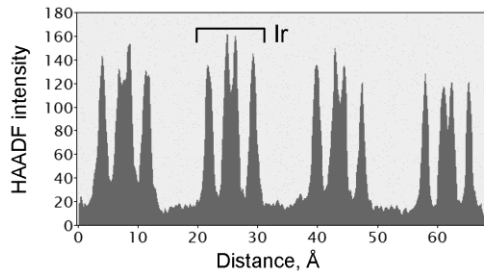
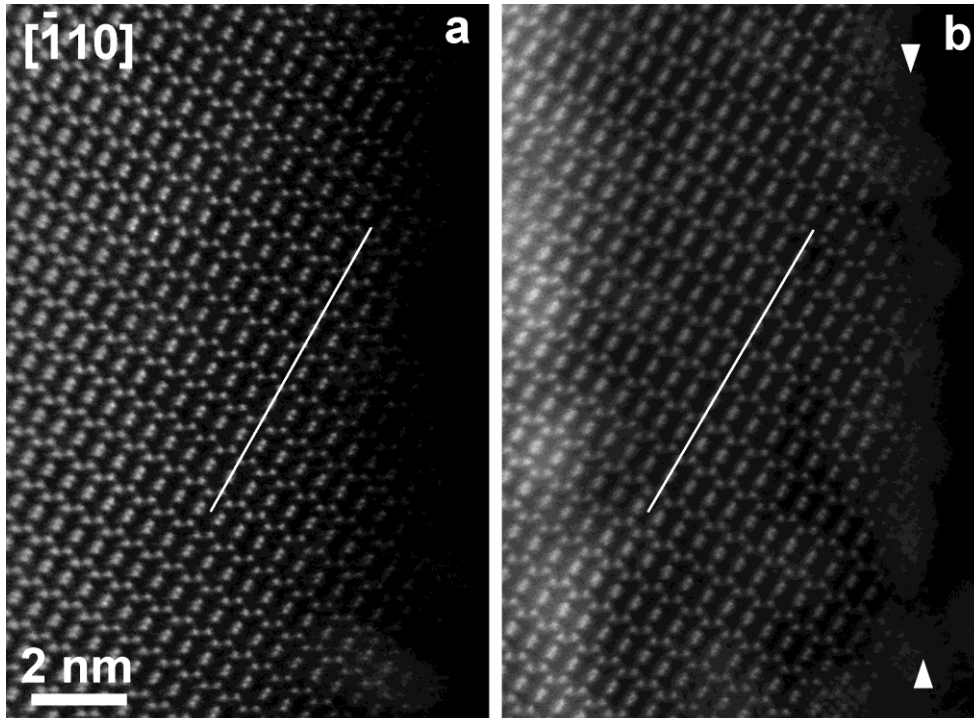
3D framework with ordered APBs

Suppressing cation migration: 3D β - Li_2IrO_3

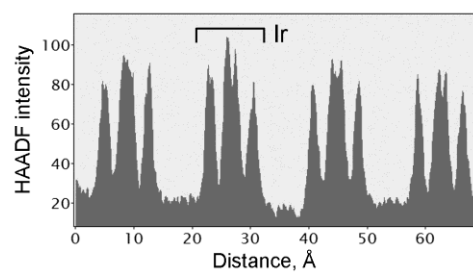
NPD refinement of β - LiIrO_3



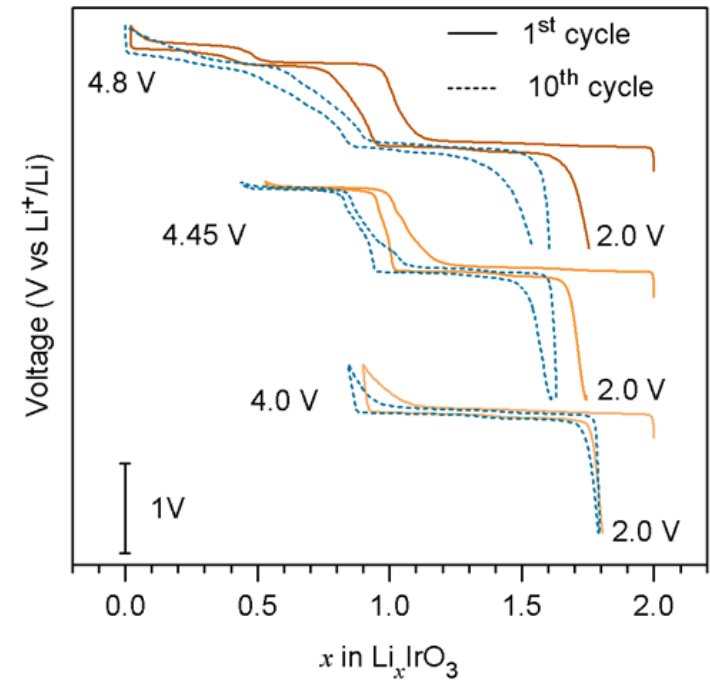
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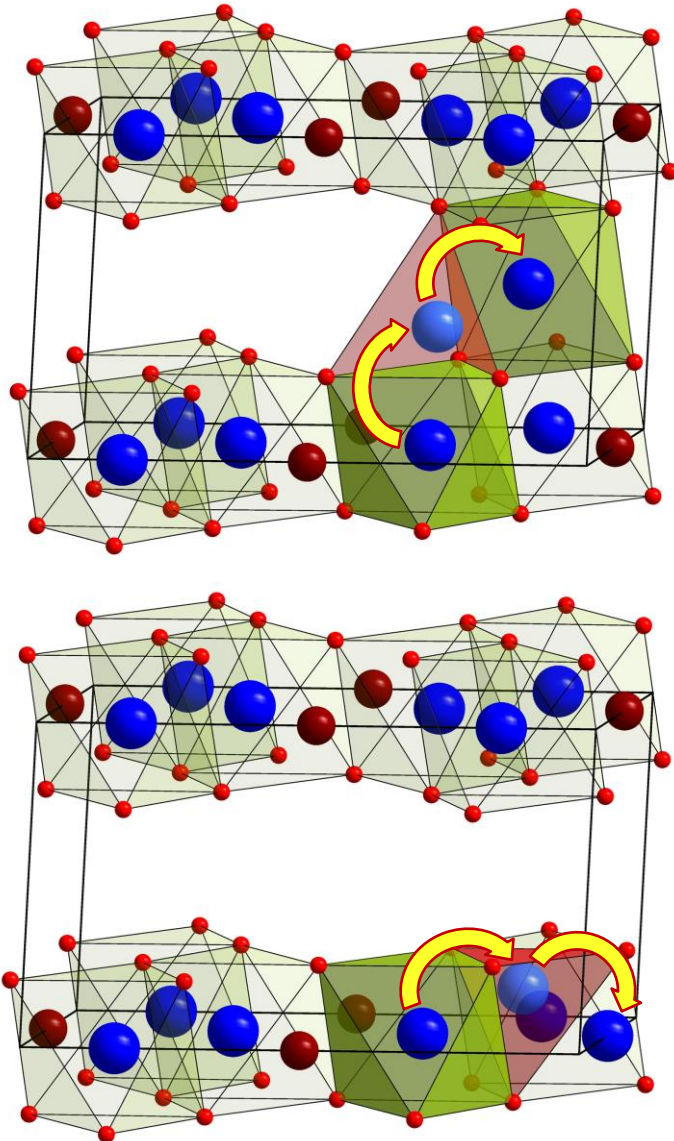
10 cycles 2.0-4.0V



10 cycles 2.0-4.8V



How to make these materials better?



Understanding TM cation migration and suppressing voltage fade:

1. What are the migration pathways?
2. What are the migration energy barriers?
3. What is the role of partial oxygen oxidation in the cation migration?
4. How to change chemistry to control the barriers:
 - lattice contraction/expansion;
 - softening of the oxygen sublattice;
 - structure relaxation at the CV regime;

More complex cationic compositions and appropriate synthesis techniques have to be developed.

Спасибо за внимание!